



PUMC

Updates....

Pennsboro United Methodist Church
601 Main Street, Pennsboro, WV 26415

June, 2025

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

July

3	Sherie Smith
10	Steve Lewis
16	Donna Davis
18	Ronnie Mason
22	Marty Owings
25	Roger Hart

Reaching Out and Making A Difference

Month of June

Donate to Packs of Plenty

Collection box will be located at the ushers table in the back of the sanctuary throughout the month of June.

Month of July

Donate to Ritchie Co. Ministerial Association

Collection box will be located at the ushers table in the back of the sanctuary throughout the month of July.

Greetings from Pastor Anna

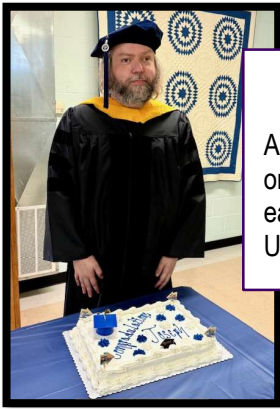
It is with gratitude and joy that I celebrate the work and the ministry highlighted this month. Floyd and I attended the WV Annual Conference, where Bishop Debra Wallace-Padgett encouraged us to embrace "Growing in Grace" as we navigate changes within the denomination, while continuing to grow spiritually. The WV Conference voted on three constitutional amendments concerning inclusivity, racism within the denomination and the broader society, and regionalization, with results expected in Fall 2025. For more information, please ask me or visit <http://www.wvumc.org>.

I am pleased to announce that Bishop Debra Wallace-Padgett has assigned me to PUMC for another year. I look forward to discerning God's will and embracing our calling.

We continue to hear from Bishops across the denomination as part of our worship service on Sunday mornings, considering what it means to be Pentecost People. From their varying perspectives, we are being emboldened by the Holy Spirit, alive in each of us, and encouraged to embrace with joy and thanksgiving the mission and ministry of PUMC and the church universal.

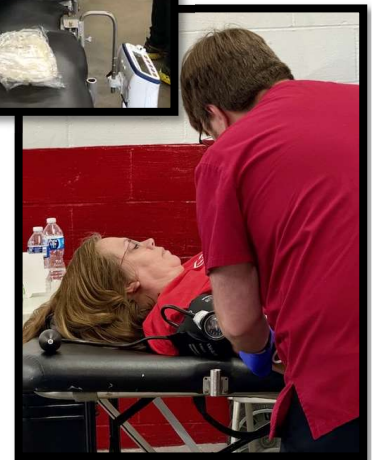
Blessings,
Pastor Anna





Congratulations, Dr. Burdette!

A reception was held following the worship service on May 25 to congratulate Joseph Burdette on earning a Doctor of Psychology degree from the University of Arizona Global Campus.



Blood Drive

PUMC sponsored a blood drive through the American Red Cross on June 2, held at the Pennsboro Volunteer Fire Department. Thirteen individuals provided a total of 15 blood products. Special thanks go to church members Shelli Beck, Anna Efaw, Debbie White, Bob Richards, and Rodney Ritchey for donating blood that day. Thanks to the following for providing food and drinks and/or other assistance during the event: Rick & Shelli Beck, Bea Bunner, Connie Doll, Anna Efaw, Tammy Harper, Mabel Henderson, Danita Hiley, Kim Lewis, Kathy McCullough, Bob & Debbie Richards, and Rodney Ritchey.

Stewardship

Financial Snapshot: May deposits totaled [REDACTED] and expenses totaled \$14,172.22 for a [REDACTED] cash flow of [REDACTED]. A new 7-month CD in the amount of [REDACTED] was invested with West Union Bank for the EUB Cemetery. Investment accounts saw an overall gain of [REDACTED] in May.

Church Maintenance: Special offering envelopes were distributed with bulletins on June 1 and additional offering envelopes are available on the ushers' table. Your gifts in support of church maintenance will support the budget for planned expenditures, such as mowing, new thermostats, new booster/high chairs for toddlers (already purchased and available) and updating outdoor landscaping.

Support for TLC: From Mother's Day to Father's Day, our congregation participated in the Baby Bottle Blessing for TLC Pregnancy Center. A total of \$258.61 was collected in baby bottles to support this worthy cause. If you still have a bottle that has not yet been returned, please contact Debbie Richards (304) 869-3563. There are still four MIA bottles that need to be returned to TLC with PUMC's donation.

Replacement of Prayer "Chain"

It has been proven that call "chains" typically result in inaccurate information being circulated over the course of start to finish. Challenges with the church's extremely outdated "prayer chain" call list were met last year by temporarily using a group text that had already been created for those attending Bible Study. Replacing the "call chain" with group text to the entire congregation became a goal for sending the same message out at one time. That goal was achieved in January of this year after the new directory was completed, as it provided us with everyone's cell phone numbers. A short call list for those who do not have text capability or who are away for a portion of the year was also established so the same message could be shared by telephone. As you know, the new list enables church-wide communications on important notices, such as when services must be canceled, and has also been used a few times since February for prayer requests. Most recently, the new list was used to notify the congregation of Anna Jean's passing. **When a situation occurs during the week prompting you to seek the prayers of the church, please contact Pastor Anna Efaw or Lay Leader Mabel Henderson, and a message with discretion regarding details will be shared with your church family.**