

“Growing Within, Reaching Out, Making a Difference”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SEE INSERT

JOYS & CONCERNS



Joys: Being in the Presence of the Way Maker!!

Concerns: Family of Kelly Amos, Family of Steve Lewis, Jerry Jett & family, Beanie & Evelyn Hayhurst, Jeanette Tingler, Joe Morris & family, Marilyn Mosser, Ed Carpenter & family, Kevin Merrill, our Nation & our Military, our Leaders, unspoken prayers, unbelievers, Sharon Meeks, Carol Ann, Marlow Felker, The Guthrie Family, Kyrsten, Kenny Griffith, Dick Lawrence, For God’s guidance, Mark Perkins, Brock Collins, Walter Fleming, Dickie Blour, Joseph Lewis, Tim Jenkins, Kylee Sutton, Rachel



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Jesus,

Way Maker

Miracle Worker

Promise Keeper

Light in the Darkness

That is who You are!!



The United Methodist Church forms disciples of Jesus Christ who, empowered by the Holy Spirit, **love boldly, **serve joyfully**, and **lead courageously** in local communities and worldwide connections.**

PENNSBORO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
601 Main Street Pennsboro, WV
Mar 22nd , 2026

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Theme: Living Well Through Lent

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| Instrumental Prelude & Altar Candle Lighting | Kathy McCullough |
| Worship Leader | Mabel Henderson |
| Announcements: Anniversaries & Birthdays Joys & Concerns | |

Opening Prayer: God of mercy, we come to You dry and lifeless, seeking Your breath of life. Lead us to the place where our hopes lie buried and call us out from the tombs of despair. Call forth our faith that, with Martha, we may know You to be the resurrection and the life, in this world and the world to come. Amen.

Call To Worship

L: Some of us come to worship today, weary and worn, heavy with all the circumstances that are too much to bear alone.

P: We gather to travel God’s redemption road together.

L: Some of us come to worship today, dry and thirsty, longing for relief and peace from the troubles that surround us.

P: We gather to travel God’s redemption road together.

L: Some of us come to worship today with stories to tell of little resurrections, moments of new life that sprang up when we least expected them.

P: We gather to travel God’s redemption road together.

L: Beloved, whatever we bring with us to worship today, God welcomes us and calls us to work together as we travel God’s redemption road together.

P: We gather to be truth-tellers and life-bringers as we travel God’s redemption road together. Amen.

HYMN “*What a Friend We Have in Jesus*” No. 52

Prayer for Illumination: "Un-stop our ears, God. Help us hear Christ speaking your Truth so it will guide our lives and change our hearts. Teach us to follow you more faithfully each day. AMEN.

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| Scripture Reading | <i>Mabel Henderson</i> |
| Old Testament <i>Ezekiel 37:1-14</i> | New Testament <i>John 11:1-7</i> |

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| Message | “Redemption Road” | Pastor Anna |
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| Invitation to the Offering | <i>Mail in, Online</i> |
| Tithes & Offerings | <i>Passing of the Plate</i> |
| <i>Offertory, Doxology, Prayer</i> | |

Prayer of Confession:

**Out of the depths of despair, we cry to you, O God.
We are lost in a world of pain and suffering.
When we put our trust in weapons of war, we find no peace.
When we put our faith in our own resources,
we feel the ache of our true needs.
When we put our hope in the health of our bodies,
we suffer pain and find no healing.
Come to us, O God. Forgive our doubts and fears.
Heal our brokenness that we may rejoice in your steadfast love.
Amen.**

Words of Assurance: There is forgiveness and healing with God. God’s steadfast love has the power to redeem our brokenness and make us whole. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God! Amen.

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| Let’s Worship | “Way Maker” | <i>Words on Screen</i> |
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Benediction: Beloved, the journey does not end here. As you travel God’s redemption road, go in the blessing of God who persistently breathes new life into dry and weary places, and watch for resurrection to happen when you least expect it. Amen.

Postlude/Cares Chorus