

Calendar of Events

Sunday, February 8, 2026: Scout Sunday
{Hallelujah Handbells}

5th Sunday after Epiphany

8:45 Fresh Start Host: Pam Thompson

9:30 **Worship Message:** Pastor Scott Racut

Liturgist: Scouts

Ushers: Tom & Melissa Korth

Counters: Dave Gilson & Annette Verga

11a -1p The New Fish Youth Group - Spaghetti Thank You Luncheon in fellowship hall. Also you may pick up (eat for lunch) any subs that you ordered for their fundraiser at the Luncheon - Thank you for supporting the New Fish Youth Group.

4:00 Bear Scout Meeting

Monday, February 9, 2026:

9:30 Women's Bible Study- Studying the book of Thessalonians

7:00 Bible Study @ Bill & Jo Hudson's home

Tuesday, February 10, 2026:

7:00-8:00 Hallelujah Handbell Choir Reh.

7:00 Scout Troop 71

Wednesday, February 11, 2026:

8:00 Men's Fellowship Breakfast at Perry Family Diner

3:00 Prayer Time: live Streamed

Sunday, February 15, 2026:

Transfiguration Sunday

8:45 Fresh Start Host: Sharon Biddle & Brian Mather

9:30 **Worship Message:** Jackie McLaughlin

Liturgist: Arlene Messenger

Ushers: Tom & Melissa Korth

Counters: Annette Verga & Margie Gibson

4:00 Bear Scout Meeting

Announcements



This year, Perry United Methodist is collecting Hershey Chocolate Bars (full size) for the Perry Center Easter baskets.

BIBLE STUDY

“God Will Make A Way”
led by Pastor Scott Racut. This 6-week Bible Study will begin on Thursday, February 12th at 6:30pm at Perry UMC and the following

Thursdays: 02/19/2026
02/26/2026
03/05/2026
03/12/2026
03/19/2026

Those interested in attending please sign-up on the sign-up sheet in the information station.

Prayer requests: please fill out a yellow card in the pews and put into the offering plates when passed by the ushers. Offering amount: \$3623.00 Amount needed weekly for Budget:

\$2,250.00

**Attendance: 32 (50) in-house
67 on-line**

Perry United Methodist Church



February 8, 2026 ~ Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Live streaming on YouTube
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Church Office Hours:

Monday 10a - 4p and Wednesday 10a - 4p

These are not the Pastor's office hours.

Welcome to Worship

**Stand to worship the Lord as you are able in body or in spirit*

GATHERING MUSIC/PRELUDE Brian Mather

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Scott Racut

HALLELUJAH HANDBELLS

Director: Ken Rodd

“Gospel Roundup” (Jamboree)

Arr. Joel Raney

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Scout Leaders

One: On this day, O God, we recognize all our young people who participate in the various phases of scouting, and we ask you to guide them as they follow you.

All: God we come together today seeking strength and wisdom to be good and worthy scouts and saints and to honor you by our service to others in our community.

One: Let your Spirit be upon them to keep them from all harm, to develop their minds, bodies, and spirits, and to accompany them through their life’s journeys.

All: Help us to follow Christ with such faithfulness that we become his obedient servants, embracing his teachings about love, forgiveness and service.

One: Gracious God, Grant them your special protection and peace in these difficult and uncertain times in which we live, that they may always choose the exemplary way above all others.

All: Holy Spirit, Teach us to know right from wrong and always to elect the right, for the sake of our Lord. And make us witnesses to the gospel of peace in a world that is often in conflict.

***OPENING PRAYER (Unison)**

Almighty God, creator of us all; grant us the patience to wait and listen to your voice. Help us not to seek the answers in the silence of prayer, but rather let your thoughts, God, travel to us and through us as we dare to ascend your mountain of law, your holy hill of truth. O God, how thankful we are that you have come into our lives through the Holy Spirit. You know, Lord, that we’re not perfect, that we want to improve. Show us where we can share your love in the world around us. AMEN.

***OPENING HYMN**

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

UMH 280

***CLOSING HYMN**

“Pass It On”

UMH 572

***BLESSING** (Scouts respond)

Pastor Scott Racut

On this day, O god, we recognize all our young people who participate in the various phases of scouting and ask you to hear their prayers.

Scouts: We pray, dear God, for the strength and wisdom to be good and worthy scouts, and to honor you by our service to others in our community.

Pastor: Let your Spirit be upon them to keep them from all harm, to develop their minds, bodies, and spirits, and to accompany them throughout their life’s journeys.

Scouts: Help us to follow Christ with such faithfulness that we become His obedient servants, embodying His teachings about love and forgiveness.

Pastor: Grant them your special protection in these difficult and uncertain times in which we live, that they may always choose the exemplary way above all others.

Scouts: Teach us to know right from wrong and always to elect the right, for the sake of our Lord. And make us witnesses to the gospel of peace in a world that is often in conflict.

ALL: For yours is the kingdom above every kingdom and the power and glory beyond all other power and glory, forever and ever. AMEN.

POSTLUDE

~ Go in Peace and Live in Love! ~

Brian Mather

Anyone needing additional Prayer, please join Mary at the front of the church after service.

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GIVING INVITATION:

Pastor Scott Racut

USHERS:

Scouts

*RECEIVING OF THE GIFTS:

“PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW”

UMH # 95

*DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS

Pastor Scott Racut

PRAISES AND PRAYERS: We pray today for God’s children—all the children of the world. May they find peace and love in their families and schools and learn the love of Jesus Christ for each and every one of them through our lives as we interact with them on a daily basis. We also pray for our young people, who are seeking a cause which is worthy of their life’s commitment and a leader who is deserving of their devotion. We know that our youth must deal with a host of options. So, we pray that they may choose Jesus Christ. We pray you will be with our Scouts as they continue to follow the Scout law and work toward being trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent. **Please Pray The Lord’s Prayer-**

HYMN

“Jesus, The Very Thought of Thee”

UMH 175

SCOUTER PRAYER:

Marcus Moats-Como

Dear Lord, from your judgment seat on high. Look down on a Scoutmaster such as I. Search me through and find me whole. Then help me, Lord, to reach my goal. Help me, Lord, to work for Thee, guard my homeland—keep it free. Help me to work with others and be kind, Helpful with my hands and mind. Keep me, Lord, both well and strong, to help growing youth along. Control my thoughts, keep them right, Sound, clean weapons for life’s fight. Protect my morals, keep them high, Grant this to a Scouter such as I. — Author Unknown

MESSAGE BY SCOUT LEADERS

“On My Honor”

Tim: The paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies. (Psalm 25:10)

Scouts: On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country.

Marcus: Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord the people whom he has chosen as his inheritance. (Psalm 33:12) My son, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments; for length of days and years of life and abundant welfare will they give you. (Proverbs 3:1-2)

Scouts: On my honor I will do my best to obey the Scout Law—and the Law is this: A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent.

TIM: And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.” This is the Great and First commandment. And a second is like it, you shall love your neighbor as yourself. (Matthew 22:37-39) Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. (Matthew 5:16)

Scouts: On my honor I will do my best to help other people at other times.

Marcus: Remember also the Golden Rule: And as you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. (Luke 6:31) Do you know that you are God’s temple and that God’s Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God’s temple, God will destroy him. For God’s temple is holy, and that temple you are. (I Corinthians 3:16-17)

Scouts: On my honor, I will do my best to keep myself mentally awake.

TIM: Wisdom is the principal thing: Do not forget, and do not turn away from the words of my mouth. Get wisdom; get insight. (Proverbs 4:5) How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to thy word. (Psalm 119:9)

Scouts: On my honor, I will do my best to keep myself morally straight.

Marcus: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. (Isaiah 55:7)

What does Scouting mean to me? Presented by Tim Johnson

“Bringing Youth to Christ Through a Scouting Ministry”

The Scouting program at Perry United Methodist Church is more than just an activity for our youth to learn about the outdoors. Scouting provides fun, fellowship, and training to our youth as well as youth in our community. It emphasizes honesty, self-reliance, and respect. Through a year-round program, it affects character, citizenship, and personal fitness. But the success of our Scouting depends on the volunteers, who serve in a variety of leadership roles so that our young people may benefit from our scouting ministry. As the Boy Scouts of America celebrates its anniversary, we salute the splendid volunteers who serve as Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, and Exploring, Venturing and Sea Scout Advisors, and in other positions of leadership.