

Calendar of Events

Sunday, February 22, 2026:

First Sunday in Lent

8:45 Fresh Start Host: Jackie McLaughlin
 9:30 **Worship Message:** Jackie McLaughlin
Liturgist: Dave Gilson
Ushers: Tom & Melissa Korth
Counters: Margie Gibson & Jim Riha
 4:00 Bear Scout Meeting

Monday, February 23, 2026:

9:30 Women's Bible Study- Studying the book of Thessalonians
 7:00 Bible Study @ Bill & Jo Hudson's home

Tuesday, February 24, 2026:

3:00 Brookdale Bible Study
 6:30-7:30 Hallelujah Handbell Choir Reh.
 7:00 Scout Troop 71

Wednesday, February 25, 2026:

8:00 Men's Fellowship Breakfast at Perry Family Diner
 3:00 Prayer Time: live Streamed

Thursday, February 26, 2026:

6:30 Bible Study- "God Will Make A Way"

Friday, February 27, 2026

7pm Movie Night - War Room
 Friday, Feb. 20th was cancelled due to the busyness of the first week of Lent.



Sunday, March 1, 2026: {Communion}

Second Sunday in Lent ~ Chapel & Perry worshipping together at Perry at 10am!

8:45 Fresh Start Host: ?
 9:30 **Worship Message:** Pastor Scott Racut
Liturgist: Mike Whipple
Ushers: Tom & Melissa Korth
Counters: Jim Riha & Arlene Messenger
 4:00 Bear Scout Meeting

Announcements



We are collecting Hershey Chocolate (full size) Bars for Perry Center Easter Baskets.

LENTEN LUNCHEONS



Theme: Dying His Death, Living His Life

LUNCH: NOON - 1:00PM / COST: \$5

Feb. 18th 12-1pm	TOPIC: Dying to Sin, Living in Forgiveness	Matthew 18: 21-35	LUNCH: Mac-N-Cheese
Feb. 25th 12-1pm	TOPIC: Dying to Pride, Liv- ing for Others	Mark 10: 35-45	LUNCH: Pizza & Salad
March 4th 12-1pm	TOPIC: Dying to Greed, Living for the Treasurers of	Luke 12: 16-21	LUNCH: Soup - Beef Barley &
March 11th 12-1pm	TOPIC: Dying to Doubt, Living by Faith	Matthew 14: 22-33	LUNCH: Pulled Pork on bun, Coleslaw, & Chips
March 18th 12-1pm	TOPIC: Dying to Turmoil, Living in Peace	John 14: 25-29	LUNCH: Pork Cutlets
March 25th 12-1pm	TOPIC: Dying to Judge- ment, Living in Grace	John 8: 2-11	LUNCH: Rigatoni & Salad
April 1st 12-1pm	It Is Finished - 3 person Sermon/Drama	John 19: 30	LUNCH: Chili & Cornbread



Every Wednesday during Lent
 Central Congregational Church
 71 Park Street, Madison, Ohio

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Prayer requests: please fill out a yellow card in the pews and put into the offering plates when passed by the ushers. Offering amount: \$1000.00 Amount needed weekly for Budget:

\$2,250.00

**Attendance: 33 in-house
 31 on-line**

Perry United Methodist Church



Thru CHRIST

many will be made

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Romans 5:19

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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 Jackie McLaughlin
*CALL TO WORSHIP Dave Gilson

L = Liturgist P = People

L: Children of God, in Lent we remember that our salvation is an unearned gift, that new life is a matter of faith, not of works.

P: We gather to lay down the burden of trying to earn our salvation.

L: Like Nicodemus, who met Jesus in the dark of night, we struggle to accept that new life is not just possible but given as a free gift of grace.

P: We gather to bring our struggles into the light and embrace God's grace with open arms.

L: Like Paul writing to the Romas, we remember God's promise of new life has always rested on grace.

P: We gather to receive the promise of salvation by grace through faith.

L: Like the many who have followed, questioned, and grown in the faith,

P: we submit ourselves to be formed by grace as we work out our salvation day by day.

ALL: We gather as people guided by the promise of new life, a promise fulfilled by Christ, whose path we follow.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, July 2025.

*OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

Loving God, help us. When we have run away, when we have turned our backs on love, when we have sought immediate satisfaction and not long-term healing, help us. Merciful God, forgive us. When we have been selfish, when we have been mean, when we have neglected the cries of others, forgive us. Powerful God, heal us. When we are so broken we cannot move, when we don't know how to stem the bleeding of our wounds, when we are too ashamed to seek community, heal us. Give us the courage, the strength, and the hope to accept your grace and embrace your call in Christ. Amen. *Adapted from Beth Merrill Neel on her blog, "Hold Fast to What Is Good,"*

*OPENING HYMN: "Worship the King" UMH # 73

GIVING INVITATION: Jackie McLaughlin
USHERS: Tom & Melissa Korth

*RECEIVING OF THE GIFTS:
"PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW" UMH # 95
*DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS Jackie McLaughlin

SHARING OF PRAISES & PRAYERS Mary Jaques
Livestream CommUNITY Requests

HYMN "Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)" VIDEO
by Chris Tomlin, John Newton, Louie Giglio

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SCRIPTURE READINGS: Romans 5: 12-19 (NLT) Dave Gilson

Genesis 3: 1-7 (NLT); Psalm 32 (NLT) Jackie McLaughlin, Lay Speaker
MESSAGE: "ACTIONS HAVE CONSEQUENCES"

***CLOSING HYMN** "The Goodness of God" VIDEO
CeCe Winans, Bethel Music & Jenn Johnson

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*BENEDICTION:

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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