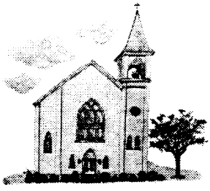


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May 2026

Worship with PUCC every Sunday Morning at 10:30 a.m.

Worship services are streamed with Facebook Live (<https://www.facebook.com/pennsburgucc>)

Pennsburg United Church of Christ mission statement:

We are a welcoming congregation that celebrates and shares God’s unconditional love with each other, the community and the world.



Consistory Officers & Employees:

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- President.....Jane Bernhard
- Vice President.....Donna Falk
- Treasurer.....Amy Browning
- SecretaryHolly Lash
- Organists:Michael Huffman, Rich Spotts & Lou Carol Fix
- Custodian.....Lynn Sturdevant
- Admin Assist.....Amy Browning



From the Pastor,

Again this month, I offer you a poem to use as a part of your daily devotions.

We Give Thanks

Catherine Pulsifer

God, for the month of May, we give thanks to thee
For warmth and sunshine so graciously bestowed
Amid the blooms, in nature's beauty
We see your hand in every petal that glowed

Renewed by new growth, we humbly pray
To live a life as vibrant as this day
With newfound strength and hearts aglow,
We thank you for this month's gentle flow.

Agape,
Pastor Steve

From Consistory

NEW FUNDRAISER!

In the coming months, PUCG will be sponsoring a **Shoe Drive Fundraiser**. It is easy. Simply bring your gently worn, used and new shoes to the church. We will collect them in bags of 25 pairs. Our goal is to collect 100 bags, which will raise \$1000. This is not limited to our members. Be reaching out to friends, neighbors, acquaintances and family for their old shoes. More information will be available later in May, or contact Donna Falk, the Fundraiser's Coordinator.

Everyone has old shoes. Together, we can meet our goal!

Please plan on remaining following Worship on Sunday, May 31st, for a **Consistory Conversation Reception**. Consistory members will be present to talk about issues and ministries in our congregation. Please join us, to keep up-to-date on all that is happening at PUCG.

Pastor Steve will be attending the **Keystone Conference Annual Meeting** from Friday, June 5th through Sunday, June 7th. If you are in need of pastoral care during this time, please call him, as he will only be a modest drive away (Millersville University).

Building our Future

Thank you to everyone who helped at the Church Work Day on April 11th. Cleaning and removing the accordian dividers makes Miller Hall look new, but there is still work to do! At the **Space Task Force's** next meeting, we will plan next steps in remaking the Hall.

In addition, please take time to look in the Nursery. On the floor is a tape outline showing how we might divide the space to create a new Storage Room for kitchen items, including moving the refrigerator and freezers from the Tile Room so that the Tile Room can be used for other purposes.

As you can see, PUCG is in the midst of reimagining our space to better meet our current and future needs. Please be a part of the process as we do so!

“Success is one person inviting one person, leaving the ‘yes’ and ‘no’ to God.”

The **Invitational Church Task Force** is preparing a Church Mission Statement to better define for our members who we are. As Pastor Steve is meeting with various church groups, he is asking the members two questions:

What three words or phrases best describe Pennsburg UCC?

To you, what are Pennsburg UCC's most important ministries?

Please be considering how you would answer these two questions.

The **Technology Task Force** is working with Code Blue to upgrade the church's wifi to provide better service in the church. Because PUCG owns both the church and Code Blue buildings, we can have one wifi account that will provide service to both buildings, with the monthly fee being shared by Code Blue and PUCG (there is currently two accounts, one paid by PUCG and one paid by Code Blue). This will save us money while also improving our service. You should be noticing better wi-fi service in the near future as this transition is completed.

The **Welcoming Task Force** is writing guidelines for ***Welcome Table Hosts***. Once the guidelines are complete, we will be reaching out to members of our congregation to act as hosts on Sunday mornings. Our goal is to train enough hosts so that you would only need to help out every two months. If you are asked, please consider saying YES! In addition, the Task Force is gathering pictures for our ***Church Brochure***. If you have pictures of church events, please email them to Dana Heimbach. Thank you.

Are You Found Here: Upcoming PUCC Meetings

11:45 AM, Sunday, May 3 rd :	Peach & Ice Cream Festival Meeting
7:30 PM, Tuesday, May 12 th :	Christian Education Committee
6:30 PM, Monday, May 18 th :	Consistory
11:30 AM, Sunday, May 31 st :	Consistory Conversation

PUCC is disposing of our old **Robes and Choir Music**. If you would like either, please help yourself!

Help yourself to a book or donate a book so others can read it at PUCC's **Read & Share** Library. The Bookshelf is found in the Tile Room.

There is a display rack in the Tile Room containing a variety of **homemade cards** to send to family and friends. Cost per card is \$5. All proceeds will go to PUCC's General Fund. Thank you to Robin Myren for making this fundraiser possible!

Worship at PUCC

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR WORSHIP TIME MOVES TO 10:30 AM ON MAY 3RD

Spring & Summer Worship

“What We Believe: The Apostles’ Creed”

A creed is a statement of what the church believes. The Apostle's Creed is one of the earliest creeds, written by early church leaders for use during Baptism. This Spring and Summer, PUCC will explore the meaning of the creed, what it expressed in the early church, what it has meant to the church down through history, and most importantly, what it says to our faith today. Please join us for this exploration of our faith through a statement of faith centuries old.

May 3rd Youth Sunday

Worship Service led by PUCC's youth
Quarters for Sheep & Chicks Offering

May 10th Mother's Day

"I Believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth"

Mother's Day Gifts

May 17th

"And in Jesus Christ, His Only Begotten Son, Our Lord"

Cookbook Pot-luck following worship

May 24th Pentecost

Acts 2

Communion

Strengthen the Church Offering

Wear Red

May 31st Memorial Day Sunday

Recognizing our Honored Deceased

Consistory Conversation following worship

June 7th Sunday School Sunday

"Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit & Born of the Virgin Mary"

Quarters for Sheep & Chicks Offering

Recognition of Sunday School Students and Staff

Church Breakfast before worship at 9:30

June 14th Graduation Sunday

"Suffered Under Pontius Pilate; Was Crucified, Dead and Buried"

Reception following Worship

Celebrating with our graduates

June 21st Father's Day

"He Descended Into Hell"

Father's Day Gifts

In the Tile Room please sign up those you want to celebrate on Graduation Sunday and those you want to honor on Memorial Sunday. We want to make sure we don't overlook someone!

The **Strengthen the Church Offering** furthers the work of our Keystone Conference and UCC's National Ministries as we work together to strengthen and renew existing congregations, fund leadership development, and provide exciting new programs for youth and young adults. The offering is divided between our Conference and the National Ministries. PUCC will receive the offering during worship on Sunday, May 24th.



In May **Lunch and Learn** will meet at noon on Wednesdays in Miller Hall. We are continuing a discussion on ***Fallen Angels***. Please pack a lunch and join us!

Heifer International's mission is to end hunger and poverty while caring for the Earth. For 80 years, Heifer has been working to empower impoverished families by providing them with the tools and resources they need to thrive.

Your donation through PUCC's monthly **Quarters for Sheep & Chicks** will help Heifer Project provide small-scale farmers and communities worldwide with sheep & chicks, training, and related services to create sustainable solutions to poverty and hunger.

On Youth Sunday, May 3rd, during Children's Chat PUCC's youth will go out into the congregation to receive this month's offering. Please bring the quarters you've collected over this past month with you and help provide sheep chicks for those in need. *Thank You!*

As the second Sunday of May is Mother's Day, the date for the **May Youth Gathering** will be moved.

Pre-school and Elementary age youth are invited to go downstairs for **Sunday School** following Children's Chat on Sunday mornings. Parents can pick their kids up downstairs following worship.

Beginning at 7 PM on Wednesday, June 24th and continuing on Wednesday evenings for the rest of the Summer, PUCC and St. John's members will meet at the Quakertown Library for a **Book Club**. We will be reading and talking about the chapters in "***Letters to Sam***" that Pastor Steve did not preach on earlier this year. If you do not have a book, please sign up in the Tile Room and a book will be ordered for you.

Vacation Bible School this year will be held during the evenings of Sunday, July 26th through Thursday, July 23rd. Parents, please mark these dates on your calendars!

Fellowship

Spring is fast approaching, and that means it's time to begin planning PUCC's 2026 **Peach & Ice Cream Festival**. Please join us during the reception following the Youth Service on Sunday, May 3rd (11:30 AM) to begin talking and planning. We'll grab food and drink and a table in Miller Hall.

PUCC still has **PUCC Cookbooks** available. They can be purchased in the Tile Room.

Cookbook Pot-Luck

11:30 AM, Sunday, May 17th

It's time to celebrate by sharing dishes contained in PUCC's 2026 Cookbook! Please make a dish or two (main course, side, appetizer, dessert – you decide) to share and bring them on the 17th. We will sit down to eat and enjoy the “fruit” of our labor in putting the cookbook together!

Caring & Sharing

Please contact DeeDee Smith (215-679-9350) to activate **PUCC's Prayer Chain**.

Thank you to.....

PUCC's April Sunday School Staff.

Youth & families who were able to attend April's Youth Gathering Ice Skating event.

Outreach & Growth and everyone who helped and attended Succulent Planting

Space Task Force and everyone who helped at April's Property Work Day.

CE committee and everyone who helped and attended this year's Easter Egg Hunt.

Friends to Remember with Prayers, Thoughts, Cards & Visits

Grieving:

McNeely Family

Kern Family

Personal:

Lori & John Hawkins

Holly & Irv Lash

Wendy Smedley

Tom & Mary Jane May

Bob Heimbach

Eileen & Ray Koffroth

Rev. Dan & Peggy Moser

Marie Sell

Betty Heimbach

PUCC 90's Club:

Shirley Pursel

Mary Mutter

Phyllis Horne

Gene Needs

Anne Long

Francis Brown

Independent Living:

Jackie & Cliff Lauchner

Anne Long

Gene Needs

Barb & Tony Perestis

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Shirley Pursel

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Gary & Ella Gehringer

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Dennis Hess

Pennsburg Manor

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May, 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
Youth Sunday 10:30 AM Worship & SS 11:30 AM Reception 11:45 AM Peach & Ice Cream Festival Meeting 2:00 PM "Nine to Five" at Desales U.	May 4th First Monday Meal	5	6 Noon Lunch & Learn	7	8	9
Mother's Day 10:30 AM Worship & SS	11	12 7:30 PM Christian Education Committee	13 Noon Lunch & Learn	14	15	15
17 10:30 AM Worship & Sunday School 11:30 AM Cookbook Pot-luck	18 6:30 PM Consistory	19	20 Noon Lunch & Learn	21	22	23
Pentecost 10:30 AM Communion Service & Sunday School	Memorial Day	26	27 Noon Lunch & Learn	28	29	30
Memorial Sunday 10:30 AM Worship & Sunday School 11:30 Consistory Conversation	June 1 First Monday Meal	2	3 Noon Lunch & Learn	4	5	6
Sunday School Sunday 9:30 AM Breakfast 10:30 AM Worship Conference	8	9 7:30 PM Christian Education Committee	10 11 AM Worship Committee Noon Lunch & Learn	11	12 Pastor Steve	13 @ Keystone