AUGUST 23, 2026
CLASSIC WORSHIP | 8:45AM & 10:00AM

THERE'S SOMETHING DIFFERENT ABOUT US

ROMANS 12:1-2, 9-21
REV. DAVID NEUEN

Have you ever secretly wished for a total makeover for your hairstyle, clothes closet, or maybe your home or career? Even while we dream of change, we deeply cherish familiarity and comfort.

We tend to view worship, with its weekly rhythm of prayer and song, as an unchanging space of predictability. Yet worship is meant to do more than give us steady service. It is the very ground where the Holy Spirit empowers transformation for God's people and set-apart community.

WELCOME!
We are so glad you're here!

WORSHIP TIMES

CLASSIC WORSHIP Sundays at 8:45 & 10:00am in the Sanctuary.
NEWDAY PRAISE WORSHIP Sundays at 10:00am in the Worship Annex.
YOUTH WORSHIP Wednesdays at 7:00pm in room 200.
LIVE STREAM *at pumc.tv*

KIDS AND YOUTH

INFANT AND TODDLERS Care is provided in room 127 from 8:30–11:00am.
PRESCHOOLERS Room 207 at 10am.
K–GRADE 5 Room 203 at 10am.
GRADES 6–12 Small groups meet in room 200 at 10am.

ADULT SMALL GROUPS

Find adult small groups and classes at ***pumc.org/groups***

KIDS@PUMC WEEKDAY PROGRAMS

PRESCHOOL AGES 1–5 Email Charity Aton at ***caton@pumc.org***
KIDS CONNECTION GRADES K–5 Email McKenzie Smalley at ***msmalley@pumc.org***

ALL-CHURCH STUDY THIS FALL **Registrations are now open!** Join our exciting all-church study on the book Voices of Resistance by Amanda Miller. The author leads us through an exploration of music in the Bible born from experiences of celebration, grief, longing and protest. Register online at ***pumc.org/registrations***

PLEASE SHARE YOUR TALENT **Rehearsals begin this week!** The Sanctuary Choir is open to older youth and adults and rehearses at 6:30pm on Thursdays, beginning August 27. There is no audition and no long-term commitment. Best of all, you'll have fun and make new friends! For information, contact Brent Miller at ***bmiller@pumc.org***

PRAYER VIGIL & PUBLIC FAITH WITNESS for our immigrant neighbors detained at Miami Correctional Facility is on Saturday, August 29 from 10:00am–12:00pm at the Plainfield Friends Meeting House, 105 S. East Street, Plainfield. The gathering will include prayer, guest speakers, singing, and public witness.

WESLEY HERITAGE TOUR TO ENGLAND Pastor Abby invites you to join her and Bishop Tracy Malone next April on a Wesley Heritage Tour to England with the Indiana Annual Conference. There will be an info session on August 30 at 11:15am in the Worship Annex. More details and the link to register is at ***pumc.org/registrations***

KAIROS 50TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE WATCH PARTY Join us for an interactive watch party of highlights of the Kairos 50th Annual Conference on Wednesday, September 2! It's a great way to connect, be inspired, and learn more about the work God is doing. More details and the link to register is at ***pumc.org/registrations***

YOUTH CONFIRMATION CLASS Students will explore Scripture, learn about the Methodist faith, ask honest questions, and grow in their relationship with God.

We're also looking for a few adult mentors to walk alongside our confirmands throughout the year. If you are interested, we'd love to talk with you!

If interested, visit ***pumc.org/registrations***

A TIME TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE
I, II, IV from Partita on Hyfrydol — by Charles Callahan, Nick Fennig, organ

*** GREETING**

*** HYMN UMH 715**
Rejoice, the Lord Is King

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Liturgist: All glory, honor, and praise to you, O Rock of our salvation.
People: We lift our voices in adoration and gratitude to you, Almighty God.
Liturgist: Holy Spirit, moving and inspiring, remake us in Christ's image.
People: As our praise goes out, our hearts are transformed by your holy presence.
Liturgist: Spirit of God, reveal yourself through the renewed character of your people.
People: Glory to God for lives shaped by Christ through our gathering together in worship.

*** HYMN UMH 473**
Lead Me, Lord — sing twice

A TIME FOR PRAYER

WELCOME

ANTHEM
Soon and Very Soon — arr. Jack Schrader, PUMC Men's Ensemble, Nick Fennig, piano

SCRIPTURE — Romans 12:1-2, 9-21

MESSAGE
There's Something Different About Us — Rev. David Neuen

HYMN UMH 192
There's a Spirit in the Air — vv 1, 2, 4 & 6

A TIME FOR PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

MISSION MOMENT — UMCOR Flood Relief

GIVING — *Because God gives, we give. Thank you for your generosity.*

*** HYMN UMH 438**
Forth in Thy Name, O Lord

*** DISMISSAL & BLESSING**

*** POSTLUDE**
Finale V from Partita on Hyfrydol — by Charles Callahan, Nick Fennig, organ

(*) asterisk indicates time for persons, who are able, to stand.

DIVE DEEPER

ROMANS 12:1-2, 9-21

Sunday, August 23

Open It: Who is someone you admire, and what is it about their character that has influenced the way you want to live?

Explore It: Paul describes worship as offering our whole lives to God and being transformed through the renewing of our minds. What do these verses suggest about what worship is and how worship shapes who we are? As Paul describes the life of a transformed person in verses 9–21, what qualities and behaviors stand out to you? Which seem most connected to the character of God?

Get It: What is the connection between worshiping God and becoming more like Christ? How would you describe the difference between participating in worship and being transformed by worship? How would you recognize the difference? What evidence would you expect to see?

Apply It: What is one specific act of preparation you could take to approach worship set for transformation in Christlike character?

WHAT'S NEXT

PSALM 96

Sunday, August 30

Sent with a Voice

Focus Question: What song is my life singing to the people around me?

PRAISE & PRAYER

Please pray for our Community Partners
- Jennifer Crooks, Chief Operating Officer at Family Promise
- Flowered Occasions

The altar flowers are given by George and Jeffrey Hopper, celebrating 55 years of marriage of their parents, Wanda & Charlie Hopper, this week.

CALENDAR: AUGUST 23-29

SUNDAY

Classic Worship	8:45 a • S
Classic Worship	10:00 a • S
NewDay Praise Worship	10:00 a • A
Revelations Class	10:00 a • L
Ordinary People Class	10:00 a • W
Rewired Class	10:00 a • K
Genesis Class	10:00 a • 101
Youth Small Group	10:15 a • 200
F.U.N. Class	11:15 a • A
D&D Group	2:30 p • K

MONDAY

Homeless Meal Prep	1:00 p • Ki
Homeless Meal Delivery	5:00 p • O
Sanctuary Bells Rehearsal	6:30 p • B
Threshold Singers Rehearsal	7:15 p • M

TUESDAY

Tuesday Morning Prayer Group	10:00 a • W
Discipleship Team Meeting	6:00 p • L
Staff Parish Relations	7:00 p • W
Cub Scouts Pack Meeting	7:00 p • A

WEDNESDAY

Wednesday Morning Bible Study	10:00 a • L
Youth Worship	7:00 p • Y

THURSDAY

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	6:30 p • M
Praise Team Rehearsal	7:30 p • A

SATURDAY

Mission Sewing	9:00 a • K
Last Saturday Lunch	11:15 a • A

Calendar Legend: A=Worship Annex, B=Bell Room, K=Koinonia Room, Ki=Kitchen, L=Library, M=Music Room, ML=Main Lobby, MR=Multiple Rooms, S=Sanctuary, V=Various Rooms, W=Wesley Room, Y=Youth Room

VITALS - BASIC BUDGET

8/16/2026	$10,519
Year-to-date	$678,778
Previous year-to-date	$691,811

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