**JULY 12, 2026**
**CLASSIC WORSHIP | 8:45 & 10:00AM**

## WHEN I GROW UP: TO BE A KID OR A GROWN UP?

**MATTHEW 18:1–5 | 1 CORINTHIANS 13:8–13**
**REV. DAVID NEUEN**

Some days we long to be a kid again. We love the wonder, playfulness, and simplicity of childhood. Other days we feel the weight of life and know we need to be mature and accept responsibility.

Jesus invites us to become like children, embracing humility, trust, and openness to God. Paul reminds us that growing in faith means leaving behind childish ways and becoming mature in love.

So which is it? Should we hold on to childhood? Or is it time to grow up?

# 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 8:30am–11:00am.
**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***

**COURAGEOUS CONVERSATIONS WORKSHOP** TODAY, Sunday, July 12 there will be an interactive training experience designed to help navigate difficult or contentious topics facing the church today. Find more info and register at ***pumc.org/registrations***

**GOLF OUTING** The PUMC Men's group is hosting a golf outing on Saturday, July 18 at Eagle Pines Golf Club in Mooresville. Men, ladies, and older youth are all welcome. Find more information and register at ***pumc.org/registrations***

**ANNUAL FISH FRY** Join us Friday, July 31 and Saturday, August 1. It takes over 150 people to make this two-day event possible and we need your help whether you can give one shift or the whole day. Sign up in the Main Lobby or online at ***pumc.org/fish-fry***

Fish Fry T-Shirt Pre-Orders at ***pumc.org/registrations***

**WORSHIP UNDER THE TENT** Join us as our entire church family gathers for one combined service on Sunday, August 2 at 10am under the Fish Fry Tent. Please note that there will be no other services that morning and it will not be live streamed.

**FACEBOOK PAGE MERGE** In the coming weeks, the NewDay Praise Facebook page will be merging with the Plainfield United Methodist Church page to bring everything together in one place. By combining our pages, you'll have one convenient location for updates, announcements, events, photos, and more!

**YOUTH GROUP PARENT MEETING** Parents and students, join us Monday, August 10 at 7pm! We'll share the vision for our student ministry, celebrate recent changes, and preview what's ahead this school year. Whether your student is new or has been involved for years, we'd love to see you there!

## A TIME TO WORSHIP

**PRELUDE**
*Variations on LASST UNS ERFREUEN* — by Denis Bédard
Nick Fennig, organ

* **GREETING**

* **HYMN UMH 61**
*Come, Thou Almighty King*

* **CALL TO WORSHIP**
Liturgist: Children of God, we are beloved and welcomed into God's family of grace.
**People: We come with trust, wonder, and humility ready to receive God's good gifts.**
Liturgist: Disciples of the Way, we called by Christ to put away childish habits and to grow in wisdom, faith, and love.
**People: We come ready to follow Jesus, growing into the people he is calling us to become.**

* **HYMN UMH 333**
*I'm Goin' a Sing When the Spirit Says Sing* — vv. 1, 2, & 4

**OPENING PRAYER**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** — 10am only

**WELCOME**

**SCRIPTURE** — Matthew 18:1–5

**ANTHEM**
*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* — arr. Anna Laura Page
PUMC Summer Handbell Ensemble
Nick Fennig, piano

**SCRIPTURE** — 1 Corinthians 13:8–13

**MESSAGE**
***To be a Kid or a Grown Up?*** — Rev. David Neuen

**HYMN UMH 500**
*Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart* — vv. 1, 2, 3, & 5

**A TIME FOR PRAYER**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**SERVE MOMENT** — Fish Fry
Tony Perona

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

* **HYMN UMH 525**
*We'll Understand It Better By and By*

* **DISMISSAL & BLESSING**

* **POSTLUDE**
*"Vivace" from Variations on LASST UNS ERFREUEN* — by Denis Bédard
Nick Fennig, organ

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

## DIVE DEEPER

**MATTHEW 18:1-5**

Sunday, July 12

**Open It:** What is something you couldn't wait to do when you were younger because you thought it meant you had "grown up"?

What is something about childhood that you miss?

**Explore It:** What question were the disciples asking Jesus, and what does that reveal about their concerns? Why do you think Jesus responded by placing a child among them? What qualities of a child do you think Jesus was highlighting?

**Get It:** What is the difference between being childish and being childlike? What does it mean to both receive God's grace like a child and grow into mature disciples?

**Apply It:** Be like a child this week! Make room for play, wonder, and curiosity. Approach God with humility and openness, willing to explore, ask questions, and learn. Receive God's love and grace freely, noticing the beauty and goodness of God's presence in the ordinary moments of life.

## WHAT'S NEXT

**EPHESIANS 4:11–16**

Sunday, July 19

When I Grow Up:
On my way to being Mature?

Where am I in my spiritual growth and what does it look like to keep growing?

## CALENDAR: JULY 12–18

### SUNDAY

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| Classic Worship | 8:45 a • S |
| Classic Worship | 10:00 a • S |
| NewDay Praise Worship | 10:00 a • A |
| Courageous Conversations | 11:30 a • A |

### MONDAY

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| Homeless Ministry Prep | 9:00 a • Ki |
| Homeless Ministry Delivery | 5:00 p • O |
| Threshold Singers Rehearsal | 7:15 p • M |

### TUESDAY

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| Endowment Committee | 6:15 p • W |
| Finance Committee | 7:00 p • W |

### WEDNESDAY

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| Youth Worship | 7:00 p • Y |

### THURSDAY

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| Praise Team Rehearsal | 7:30 p • A |

### SATURDAY

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| Golf Outing | 9:00 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**

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| 06/28/2026 | $12,811 |
| Year-to-date | $582,713 |
| Previous year-to-date | $594,336 |

## PRAISE & PRAYER

Please pray for our Community Partners
Business: Biggby Coffee East
Leader: Tim Horty, Director of the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy

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