

# THIS WEEKS REMINDERS

- ♦ Children's Sunday School today following Children's Time  
K-2nd grade—Saints Room; 3rd-4th grades—Beatitudes Room  
5th—7th grades—Wesley Room
- ♦ Youth Sunday School today at 12:30 p.m.—Youth Room
- ♦ Invitation to the New Testament today at 7 p.m.—Zoom
- ♦ Boy Scout Meeting on Monday at 6:30 p.m.—Scout Room
- ♦ Faith for Today Group on Monday at 7 p.m.—Beatitudes
- ♦ Cub Scout Meeting on Tuesday at 6 p.m.—Grace Hall, Scout Room, upstairs classrooms
- ♦ Movie Group on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.—Zoom
- ♦ Early Risers" Men's Book Club on Wednesday at 7 a.m.—Wesley
- ♦ Invitation to the New Testament on Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.—Wesley
- ♦ Finding Peace Through Grief on Wednesday at 6 p.m.—Perkins
- ♦ Praise Band on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.—Sanctuary
- ♦ Men's Coffee Group on Thursday at 9 a.m.—Wesley
- ♦ Women's Book Club on Thursday at 9 a.m.—Zoom
- ♦ Finding Peace Trought Grief on Thursday at 11 a.m.—Beatitudes
- ♦ Men's Breakfast Group on Saturday at 8 a.m.—Flips Café
- ♦ Spirit Journey Adult Sunday School on Sunday at 8:45 a.m.— Zoom

## Electronic Giving Platform

For those who would like to bless EUMC with their financial gifts electronically. Scanning the Q-Code will take you directly to our electronic giving site.



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Find us on social media:

Facebook Page: **Edinboro UMC**

YouTube: **@BoroUMC**

## Our Staff:

Pastor Ed Schoeneck

Dr. Jerra Jenrette, Assistant Pastor

John Layden, Lay Leader

Junia Isiminger, Adm. Asst./ Coordinator of Financial Services

Amanda Carter, Director of Youth Ministries

Dennis Carner, Tech

Jane Springer, Organist

Melissa Kuffer, Nursery

Larry & Brenda Evans, Music Lead

Nikki Tatta, Nursery

**NURSERY TEXT NUMBER: 814-528-4881**



# Edinboro United Methodist Church



**January 25, 2026 at 11:00 a.m.**

**Third Sunday after the Epiphany**

**EMBRACE**

**ENGAGE**

**IGNITE**

EDINBORO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
Rev. Ed Schoeneck, Pastor

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 25, 2026

*\*denotes standing as able*

**Epiphany Series: Passionate Jesus**

**We Gather in Praise**

GATHERING

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (*Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries*) Karen Swager

Leader: Children of God, when fears press in on every side, we can proclaim with confidence:

**People: God is our light and salvation! Whom shall we fear?**

Leader: When our problems overwhelm us and we feel pressed in on every side, we can declare with confidence:

**People: God is the stronghold of our lives! Of whom shall we be afraid?**

Leader: No matter the troubles we face, we seek after God and to live in the house of God forever.

**People: God shelters and protects us in the day of trouble.**

Leader: Come, let us worship God with joy, for God is our light and salvation!

**People: We come to worship as bearers of the Light. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

\*Praise Song "Mighty to Save" 3038

\*OPENING PRAYER (*Touch Holiness, Ruth Duck*) Karen Swager

**We thank you, O God, for calling us into your church to be your people. We have gathered, God of grace and wisdom, because we have heard your call. You have reached out to us in Jesus Christ; you have touched us with your Spirit, and we have turned toward you, seeking to love as we have been loved. We call upon your holy name: empower us to worship and serve you, walking gently on this earth, through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

\*RESPONSE

Gloria Patri/Glorify Thy Name

**We Receive the Word**

SCRIPTURE READING **Psalms 27 (NRSV)**

Karen Swager

HYMN

"Open Our Eyes"

2086

CHILDREN'S TIME

Vera Woods

HYMN

"Open Our Eyes"

2086

SCRIPTURE READING **Mark 14: 32-42 (NRSV)**

Pastor Ed

REFLECTION

**"Fears: Energizing and Empowering Faith"** Pastor Ed

HYMN

"Take, O Take Me as I Am"

3119

**We Respond to the Word**

SHARING OF PRAYER CONCERNS/JOYS

MORNING PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**We Go Forth to Serve**

HYMN

"Go Make a Difference"

BENEDICTION

Please note : Our worship service is being live-streamed on our YouTube page. If you wish to not have your image broadcast during the live stream, please sit in the front area on the choir side near the windows of the sanctuary under the camera.

Are you a visitor to our church? If you answer this question with a yes – **Welcome! We are happy you are here!** Please complete the blue Visitor card in the pew and place it in the offering plate.

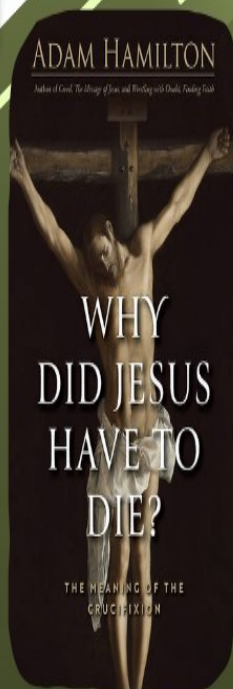
# Spirit Journey Adult Sunday School

## LENTEN STUDY

When words fall short, the cross still speaks.

Despite the crucifixion's central place in Christian faith, the New Testament offers few clear answers about how Jesus' death saves, or why, exactly, he had to die. The New Testament writers use a host of metaphors—ransom, sacrifice, reconciliation, victory—but never explain exactly how it works or why it had to happen this way.

What if that's because we've been asking the wrong question? What if the cross isn't a transaction to be explained, but a living Word from God meant to transform who we are and how we live?



**EVERY SUNDAY - BY ZOOM**  
**BEGINNING - FEBRUARY 22ND**

8:15 a.m. - Chat

8:45 a.m. - Class - till 9:45 a.m.

**SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE**



## 3D Cafe

*Sign up to host the 3D Cafe  
10 - 10:50 a.m. on the  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month  
in the Narthex*

### **3D Café Host Groups Needed**

We have had our first 3D Cafés for 2026. Other groups are needed to continue doing this monthly. Please gather your group and sign up to host it one month. The plan is to have the 3D Café on the third Sunday of the month. Sign up sheet is on the Narthex table.

# SAVE THE DATE

After over 38 years of ministry service, Pastor Ed Schoeneck will be retiring effective July 1, 2026.



**Saturday**

**June 13, 2026**

**starting at 2 p.m.**



**Edinboro United  
Methodist Church**

113 High Street  
Edinboro, PA



**RETIREMENT  
CELEBRATION**



**Honoring  
REV. ED SCHOENECK**

For More Information call the  
church office (814) 734- 3182

## PASTOR ED'S LENTEN BOOK STUDY: The Cross & the Lynching Tree

The cross and the lynching tree are separated by 2,000 years. One is the universal symbol of Christian faith; the other is the quintessential symbol of black oppression in America." One is a symbol of hope and salvation; the other, a symbol of brutal oppression, cruelty and suffering. How do we reconcile "the essential symbol of Christianity and the quintessential emblem of black suffering"? Cone wants both blacks and whites to remember, to face this macabre spectacle and learn from it, to look and live.

Our study will use a guide from the New York Conference of the United Methodist Church Board of Church and Society along with sermons and videos from Dr. Cone and other Christian Theologians and writers.



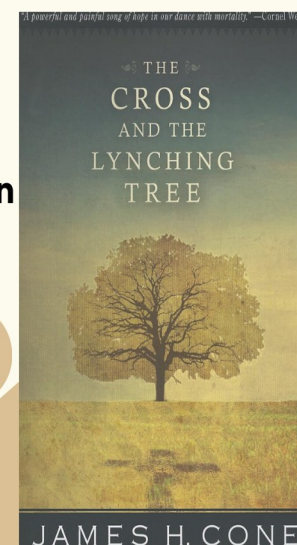
**Offered at 2 different times and ways**

**Sunday Evenings at 7 p.m. via Zoom  
February 22<sup>nd</sup> - March 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Wednesday Mornings at 10 a.m. in person  
February 25<sup>th</sup> - April 1<sup>st</sup>**

**COST OF BOOK \$15.50**

**Please sign up in the Narthex or  
call the church office.**



# Linger Longer Luncheon

SPONSORED BY THE MOSAIC  
RECONCILING MINISTRY

**SUNDAY  
FEBRUARY 22, 2026**

**FOLLOWING WORSHIP  
IN GRACE HALL**



## COME HELP UNDECORATE THE CHURCH



**Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9 a.m.**

**SCHOLARSHIPS  
TO FUEL YOUR  
DREAMS**



### **The GBHEM Scholarship Portal Is Now Open**

The General Board of Higher Education and Ministry (GBHEM) scholarship application portal is open for United Methodist students seeking scholarships for undergraduate and graduate study at colleges, universities, and seminaries.

In 2025, GBHEM awarded more than 2,500 scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students at over 600 schools worldwide. This financial aid helped students pursue their dreams to serve as the next generation of leaders. You may submit one application each year.

**The deadline to complete your application is Friday, March 6, 2026.**

**Go here to apply and for more information:**

[https://www.gbhem.org/scholarships/applying-for-scholarships-at-u-s-institutions/?utm\\_source=MyEmma&utm\\_medium=Email&utm\\_campaign=2026+GBHEM+scholarships&utm\\_term=January+21&utm\\_content=U.S.+scholarship+portal](https://www.gbhem.org/scholarships/applying-for-scholarships-at-u-s-institutions/?utm_source=MyEmma&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=2026+GBHEM+scholarships&utm_term=January+21&utm_content=U.S.+scholarship+portal)

# Unplugged

An Erie-Meadville District Youth  
Retreat

February 13-15 2026

Wesley Woods Christian Camp  
1001 Fiddlersgreen Rd, Grand Valley, PA 16420  
Cost \$125 per person which includes this years  
retreat t-shirt if you register by February 2nd

Come away to Wesley Woods for a relaxing weekend full of fun and connection. This years retreat will focus on the theme of rest. We will have a total of 4 sessions to learn about how we are called to rest. Along with games and snacks we will have opportunities throughout the weekend for reflection and spiritual renewal.

REGISTER AT

<https://wesleywoods.campbrainregistration.com/>



## EUMC Capital Campaign

PHASE ONE COMPLETE **\$33,471**

PHASE TWO COMPLETE **\$34,331**

PHASE 3A COMPLETE **\$61,250**

### 3B PHASE THREE GOALS

3B - \$47,850  
FOR GRACE  
HALL ROOF



\$47,850

\$33,585

\$25,020

\$9,140

A BIG THANKS  
TO ALL WHO  
HAVE DONATED  
TO OUR 4 PART  
CAPITAL  
CAMPAIGN -  
WE HAVE BEEN  
SUCCESSFUL IN  
CARING FOR  
OUR CHURCH  
BUILDING  
BECAUSE OF  
ALL OF YOU.

Donations **\$18,585**

Anonymous **\$15,000**

Total 3B **\$33,585**