

## 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
- ◆ Linger Longer Lounge at 12:30 p.m. - Grace Hall—sponsored by the Mosaic RMN Group
- ◆ "The Cross & the Lynching Tree" Lenten Study 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
- ◆ Tuesday Movie Group on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.—Zoom
- ◆ Early Risers Men's Book Club on Wednesday at 7 a.m.—Wesley
- ◆ "The Cross & the Lynching Tree" Lenten Study on Wednesday at 10 a.m.—Zoom & Wesley (Hybrid)
- ◆ Lenten Luncheon on Wednesday at 12 p.m.—Grace Hall & Sanctuary
- ◆ Choir Practice on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.—Sanctuary
- ◆ Praise Band on Wednesday at 7:30 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 Through Grief on Thursday at 10 a.m.—Perkins
- ◆ Senior Citizens Meeting on Friday at 12 p.m.—Grace Hall
- ◆ Men's Breakfast Group on Saturday at 8 a.m.—Flips Café



## Edinboro United Methodist Church



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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**

**EMBRACE**

**ENGAGE**

**IGNITE**

**February 22, 2026 at 11:00 a.m.**

**First Sunday in Lent**

**EDINBORO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Ed Schoeneck, Pastor

**First Sunday in Lent**

**February 22, 2026**

\*denotes standing as able

**We Gather in Praise**

GATHERING

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

*Jessica Walburn*

One Voice: Listen! God is calling! Can you hear it?

**Many Voices: Calling us to turn away from self-interest;  
to put down the things that distract us,**

One Voice: to take up our cross and follow.

**Many Voices: Can you hear it?**

One Voice: On this Holy Ground let us take off our shoes and listen.

**All: Let us worship God.**

\*HYMN "Lord, I Need You"

\*OPENING PRAYER (*Ruth Duck, Flames of the Spirit*) *Jessica Walburn*

**God most compassionate and merciful, we thank you that you have come to us in Jesus the Servant-Christ, whose disciples we are. Make us strong in your strength; make us wise in your wisdom; and make us gentle in your compassion. May we be signs of the human unity you seek to accomplish through the cross of Jesus Christ, that your name may be glorified in all the earth. Amen.**

RESPONSE Gloria Patri/Glorify Thy Name

**We Receive the Word**

SCRIPTURE READING **Genesis 9: 8–17 (NRSV)** *Jessica Walburn*

HYMN "Where Children Belong" 2233

CHILDREN'S TIME *Mary Jo Melvin*

HYMN "Where Children Belong" 2233

SCRIPTURE READING **Mark 1: 9–15 (NRSV)**

*Jessica Walburn*

REFLECTION

**"The Crossing: Leaving Home"**

*Pastor Ed*

HYMN

"Come and Find the Quiet Center"

2128

**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 "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days" 269

BENEDICTION

*Dr. Jerra Jenrette*

There are Lent devotionals available on the Narthex table.  
Please help yourself.

*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.

## FINANCIAL STATUS OF EDINBORO UMC

### JANUARY 2026

TOTAL INCOME IN JANUARY 2026	\$ 9,906.55
TOTAL EXPENSES IN JANUARY 2026	<u>\$19,895.99</u>
NET INCOME	<b>\$- 9,989.44</b>

EXPENSES WERE PAID IN JANUARY FROM DECEMBER'S CARRYOVER.

**BEQUEST FROM GAE FULLER OF \$76,956.93 - INVESTED INTO NY LIFE INVESTMENTS**

**PLEASE NOTE:**

INCOME INCLUDES ALL TITHES AND OFFERINGS.

EXPENSES INCLUDES SALARIES, UTILITIES, PROGRAMMING, TECHNICAL & SOFTWARE, WORSHIP, PROPERTY MAINTENANCE, ETC.



## Lent 2026 Schedule

*Edinboro United Methodist Church*

Date & Time	Event	Details
2/18/26 @ 7 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Service	Sanctuary
2/22/26 @ 8:45 a.m.	Why did Jesus have to die? Lenten Study	Spirit Journey Adult Sunday School Lenten Study - Zoom Begins - Ends on 3/29/26
2/22/26 @ 7 p.m.	The Cross & the Lynching Tree	Pastor Ed Lenten Study - Zoom Begins - Ends on 3/29/26
2/25/26 @ 10 a.m.	The Cross & the Lynching Tree	Pastor Ed Lenten Study - Zoom & In Person - Begins - Ends 4/1/26
2/25/26 @ 12 p.m.	Lenten Luncheon	Grace Hall & Sanctuary
3/11/26 @ 12 p.m.	Lenten Luncheon	Grace Hall & Sanctuary
3/25/26 @ 12 p.m.	Lenten Luncheon	Grace Hall & Sanctuary
4/2/26 @ 6 p.m. Dinner 7 p.m. Service	Maundy Thursday Dinner & Service	Sanctuary
4/3/26 @ 7:30 p.m.	Good Friday Service	Sanctuary
4/5/26 @ 11:00 a.m.	Easter Sunday Service	Sanctuary

# 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.

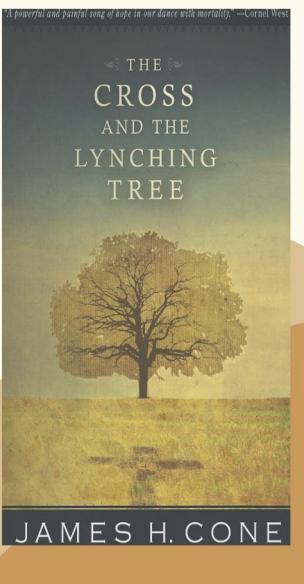
 **Offered at 2 different times and ways**

**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.**



A powerful and painful song of hope in our dance with mortality. —Cornel West

THE CROSS AND THE LYNCHING TREE

JAMES H. CONE

# Youth WINTER Clothing Drive for EUMA



The EUMC Youth Group are sponsoring a winter clothing drive mission for EUMA. Currently, EUMA has emergency needs due to the cold. Adults sizes are desperately needed but all clothing sizes will be accepted.

**Sweatshirts & Sweatpants (preferably black & charcoal gray), White Undershirts, Heavy Socks, Hats & Gloves**

**Please bring in donations by March 1st.**

### 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.





**Fridays in Lent: February 20- March 27**

**4:30 – Until sold out**

**Donation: \$15.00 Cash or Credit**

**All Dinners Include:**

Choice of Baked or Fried fish,

Baked Potato, Mac & Cheese, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Roll & Cookie

**No Substitutions please!**

**Sponsored by:**

Knights of Columbus Council 6191

Our Lady of the Lake Social Hall

128 Sunset Drive

Edinboro, PA, 16412

Please enter Sunset Drive from Rt 6N & follow signs **DRIVE – THRU ONLY**, but seating is provided inside the social hall for you to enjoy your "Take out" meal.

Every 25<sup>th</sup> vehicle will receive 1 free dinner coupon. Each week one lucky winner will receive a \$50 gas card from Country fair. Join us each week to see what type of Awesome cookie we will serve. Enter to win our Chance Of A Lifetime Cash Raffle!



## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR GARDEN OF EDIN**

Each year, Edinboro United Methodist Church does several tithe garden beds at the Edinboro Presbyterian Church's Garden of Edin. All of the produce raised is then harvested and donated to the Edinboro Food Pantry to help feed our neighbors in need.

A group of EUMC congregation work together to weed and water the EUMC garden beds (a volunteer each day) and this year more volunteers are needed to continue this meaningful and necessary mission project.

Please contact Jerra Jenrette ([jerrajenrette@gmail.com](mailto:jerrajenrette@gmail.com)) to volunteer or call the church office (814) 734-3182.

**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=m=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=m=January+21&utm_content=U.S.+scholarship+portal)**



Dear Laity and Clergy of the Western Pennsylvania Conference,

Grace and Peace to you in this New Year! Each new year brings opportunities for God's new and next!

I invite you to one of six meetings with the Bishop taking place around the WPA Conference area. I will be meeting with Clergy and Laity to share an update on how we have been moving as a people empowered by God's Spirit. My gathering with you will include updates on vision, Conference staffing and restructuring, and the ministry and mission that has been moving since we last met at annual conference. As always, I will begin my time at each of these gatherings with scripture and a time of spiritual centering.

You are invited to be a part of whatever gathering in whatever area works best for you. I have intentionally selected these times and dates so that there are opportunities for our laity who work full time, as well as our bi-vocational pastors, to join one of the gatherings. Here are the dates and locations of each of the six gatherings:

Sunday, February 15 – 2:00-4:00 PM at Grove City Grace UMC

Sunday, February 22 – 3:00-5:00 PM at Trinity UMC Indiana

**Saturday, March 14 – 3:00-5:00 PM at Edinboro UMC**

Sunday, March 15 – 3:00-5:00 PM at Monroeville UMC

Monday, March 16 – 6:30-8:30 PM at Trinity UMC McMurray

Thursday, March 19 – 6:00-8:00 PM at Warren Grace UMC

Thank you in advance to those pastors and congregations who have opened their doors to host these times of sharing. Please use the registration link (below and above) to let us know which gathering you plan to attend so that we can be best prepared at each location and are able to communicate any schedule adjustments.

I look forward to being with you and celebrating how God's power is working among us, so that we might truly be God's people who Love Boldly, Serve Joyfully, and Lead Courageously.

Peace,  
Bishop Sandra Steiner Ball  
<https://wpa-reg.brtapp.com/BishopsConferenceUpdatesGathering>

**Albright-Deering Lectures in Methodist Studies**

**Celebrating 70 Years of Full Clergy Rights for Women in The United Methodist Church**

March 3, 2026

**PITTSBURGH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY**

In collaboration with and co-sponsored by the Western Pennsylvania Conference of The United Methodist Church

**The Rev. Stephanie York Arnold**, General Secretary for The General Commission on the Status and Role of Women, The United Methodist Church

**The Rev. Dr. Emily Nelms Chastain**, Assistant Professor of Christian History and Methodist Studies, Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University

Full details forthcoming. Visit [www.ptsem.edu/albright-deering-2026](http://www.ptsem.edu/albright-deering-2026)

## Albright-Deering Lectures in Methodist Studies

**Tuesday, March 3, 2026**

**Pittsburgh Theological Seminary**

### **Celebrating 70 Years of Full Clergy Rights for Women in the United Methodist Church**

Marking the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of women's ordination in the Methodist Church, this three-part lecture series explores the past, present, and future of women's leadership in Methodist ministry. From the early pioneers who preached without permission to the complex realities faced by clergywomen today, the series traces how the Holy Spirit has moved—and continues to move—through the lives and leadership of women called to serve. Through historical analysis, theological reflection, and constructive visioning, these lectures invite the church and academy alike to consider how women's ordination has shaped Methodist identity, and how it will continue to form the church's witness in the decades ahead.

The Rev. **Stephanie York Arnold**, general secretary for The General Commission on the Status and Role of Women of The United Methodist Church, and the Rev. Dr. **Emily Nelms Chastain**, assistant professor of Christian history and Methodist studies at Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University, will present the 2026 Albright-Deering Lectures.

- Lecture 1: She Preached Anyway: How Methodist Women Turned Print and Polity into Power (1919-1956)
- Lecture 2: Still Called, Still Climbing: Clergywomen Today
- Lecture 3: The Next Iteration: Envisioning Women's Leadership Together

*In collaboration with and co-sponsored by the Western Pennsylvania Conference of The United Methodist Church*

In partnership with the Office of Community, Opportunity, Responsibility, & Engagement & the Student Association, Inc.

## Black History Month Donation Drive



Please join us throughout Black History Month in donating items to fuel our Kia Soul to help our campus and local communities!

### DROP-OFF LOCATIONS

Narthex - being collected by Jordanna Isiminger for PennWest Edinboro

For More Information: Email [dorsey\\_s@pennwest.edu](mailto:dorsey_s@pennwest.edu) or [clark\\_a@pennwest.edu](mailto:clark_a@pennwest.edu)

### ITEMS NEEDED

- ▶ Canned Food
- ▶ School Supplies
- ▶ Household Items

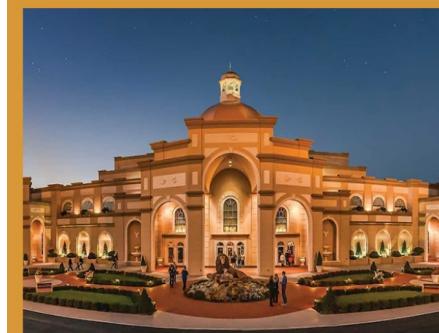


*Deadline - March 8th*

**EUMC is going to Lancaster, PA to the Sight & Sound Theatre June 1 - 2, 2026 to see Joshua**

- Tickets are \$99 each
- We have 6 extra tickets
- Questions contact Jerra Jenrette

*email: [jerrajenrette@gmail.com](mailto:jerrajenrette@gmail.com)*



There are 14 people attending with 6 extra tickets available. We will travel down on Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup> - attend the show on Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> then travel back.



# Youth Collection

## Disposable Shopping Bags



The youth are collecting disposable shopping bags (i.e. Wal Mart, Dollar General, etc.) for a mission project to make mats for the homeless. This will be an ongoing mission. It takes 400 shopping bags to make one mat. There will be a bin in the Narthex for donations.

Please be sure the bags are clean and in good condition.

# 50/50 EUMA CHALLENGE

Be part of helping with the **BASIC  
NEEDS** for those in **NEED**.  
**JOIN US IN THE 50/50  
EUMA CHALLENGE**

Each week there will be two items for individuals to donate to the cause. There will be baskets in the Narthex to put your items into each Sunday.

If 50 people each bring the two items weekly - by the end of the challenge EUMC will have 10 baskets of 50 items each to donate to EUMA to assist in their ministries.

**Collection Dates:**  
**March 1<sup>st</sup>**      **March 8th**  
**March 15<sup>th</sup>**      **March 22nd**  
**March 29th**

## ITEMS:

- March 1<sup>st</sup> - Body Wash & Bath Towel
- March 8<sup>th</sup> - Dish Soap & Dish Towel
- March 15<sup>th</sup> - Adult Socks (Male & Female) & Deodorant
- March 22<sup>nd</sup> - Toothpaste, Toothbrush & Shampoo
- March 29<sup>th</sup> - Paper Towels & Clorox (disinfectant) wipes



All items with the exception of the bath towel are available at the \$1 store.