

*Let Us Worship the Lord  
in Spirit and Truth*

\*Standing, as able

Prelude Wenru Yang

Greeting One Another in Christ: "Shalom to You" UM Hymnal #666

\*Call to Worship: Psalm 117 The Message, adapted Glenn Lammi  
Praise God, everybody!

**Applaud God, all people!**

His love has taken over our lives;

**God's faithful ways are eternal.**

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

**Hallelujah! I will praise the Lord with my heart, voice, and life.**

\*Singing Our Praises: "I Surrender" by Hillsong/Matt Crocker

\*Opening Prayer

The Church in Ministry (Announcements)

\*Good News from the Gospel: Luke 17:5-10 NRSV

Worshiping God with our Gifts (Tithes and Offerings)

Choral Offertory: "Our God Reigns" by Israel Houghton

\*Praising the Triune God UMH #94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God, the source of all our gifts!**

**Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!**

**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\*Prayer of Dedication

Good News for Children

Good News from the Epistle: Romans 8:12-17 NRSV

Hymn of Faith: "How Can We Sinners Know" UMH #372 vs. 1, 3-4

Sermon: "Children of God, Led by the Spirit" Pastor Bruce

Hymn of Faith: "How Can We Sinners Know" UMH #372 vs. 5-6

Prayers of the People with Pastoral Prayer

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord, for your grace, **we give our thanks.**

The Sacrament of Holy Communion UMH #12ff.

\*Invitation to the Table

\*Prayer of Confession with Assurance of Forgiveness UMH #890

The Great Thanksgiving UMH #13, sung responses – pp.17-18

The Lord's Prayer UMH #895

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Breaking the Bread and Lifting the Cup

Giving the Bread & the Cup: "One Bread, One Body" UMH #620

Prayer after Communion

\*Hymn of Discipleship: "In Unity We Sing Our Song" TFWS #2221

\*Dismissal with Blessing

Postlude

Wenru Yang

## Welcome to Pender United Methodist Church

If you are visiting with us, we are grateful that you have chosen to be our guests in worship.

If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to check out our weekly schedule on the front of this bulletin and our updated activities at our website: [www.penderumc.org](http://www.penderumc.org).

If our pastor or staff can help you in any way, please feel free to contact us using the information below.

### Church Staff

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World Communion Sunday  
17th Sunday after Pentecost  
October 5, 2025

### Weekly Schedule

Sunday Worship	10:00 am, sanctuary
Adult Sunday School	9:00 am, room 202
Youth Sunday School	10:15 am, room 202
Children's Sunday School	10:15 am, room 202
Impact Youth	Sun. 5:00 pm, youth room
Praying Our Faith	Sun. 9:00 am, room 202
Fun with Music (young children)	Mon. 10:00 am, room 202-203
Mary Martha Circle	Mon. 7:00 pm, Zoo
Bible Study	Tues. 7:00 pm & Thurs. 10:00 am, library
Handbell Rehearsals	Tues. 6:45 pm, sanctuary
Ruth Circle	Every 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the Month 9:30 am
AA Meetings	Wed. 6:00 pm, library
Lectio Divina Prayer Group ( <a href="https://penderumc.org/prayer/">https://penderumc.org/prayer/</a> )	Thurs. Zoo
Choir Rehearsal	Thurs, 6:30 pm, sanctuary

\*Scan our QR code with your phone's camera for more information

\*Or see our website for special events  
<https://penderumc.org/live/>