JUNE 21, 2026
CLASSIC WORSHIP | 8:45 & 10:00AM

WHAT'S THE POINT?: IS LIFE A DEAD END?

ECCLESIASTES 8:14-9:10 | ROMANS 8:18–28
REV. DAVID NEUEN

Imagine you're driving through the countryside to see where a road might lead. Maybe it's a shortcut. Maybe it's a scenic route. Maybe it's a path you've never explored before. Then suddenly you see the sign: DEAD END. Does life ever feel like that?

Is this life leading anywhere? Will that which is broken be fixed? Can we acknowledge the dead ends we encounter without losing faith that God is still moving us beyond them?

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 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***

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY Join us in welcoming our neighbors at the Hendricks County Pride Picnic next Sunday, June 28 from 12–5pm. Help is needed for set up, tending the booth and tear down. If interested in helping, email ***outreach@pumc.org***

YOUTH SUMMER CAMP On July 5–10, middle schoolers will be rock climbing, blobbing, paint-balling, and more while worshiping our God at Camp Adventure. Sign up for camps at ***impact2818.org***

COURAGEOUS CONVERSATIONS WORKSHOP On 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***

A TIME TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE
Great is Thy Faithfulness & I Love You, Lord — arr. Douglas E. Wagner
Nick Fennig, piano

*** GREETING**

*** HYMN UMH 64**
Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**
Leader: How can it be that the wicked prosper and the innocent suffer?
People: Jesus, we long to see your light.
Liturgist: The world is groaning under the weight of injustice and pain.
People: Jesus, release your people through liberating light.
Liturgist: We affirm that our current suffering and the unfairness of this moment are not the final word.
People: Jesus, break through with the power of your light.
Leader: We believe your promises will prevail.
People: Our hope and salvation is in you, Jesus, the light of the world.

*** HYMN UMH 706**
Soon and Very Soon

OPENING PRAYER

WELCOME

MISSION MOMENT — Kathy Karazsia, Family Promise

IN CELEBRATION OF FATHERS

HYMN UMH 710
Faith of Our Fathers

OLD TESTIMENT SCRIPTURE — Ecclesiastes 8:14–9:10

ANTHEM
Offertory — by John Ness Beck
Brent Miller, handbells
Nick Fennig, piano

NEW TESTIMENT SCRIPTURE — Romans 8:18–28

MESSAGE
Is Life a Dead End? — Rev. David Neuen

PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

*** HYMN UMH 428**
For the Healing of the Nations

*** DISMISSAL & BLESSING**

*** POSTLUDE**
Majesty — arr. Douglas E. Wagner
Nick Fennig, piano

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

DIVE DEEPER

ECCLESIASTES 8:14-9:10

Sunday, June 21

Open It: When you witness injustice, what tends to be your first response?

Explore It: What examples of "life's unfairness" does the Teacher describe? What does the Teacher recommend people do? How does the reality of death shape the Teacher's perspective on living?

Get It: How are joy and gratitude appropriate responses to injustice? How is joy, as the Teacher understand it, different from seeking pleasure or avoiding problems? How does acknowledging our mortality inform our treatment of injustice?

Apply It: Keep a gratitude journal this week. Each evening, write down a blessing you enjoyed, a person for whom you are thankful, and a way you experienced God's presence or provision.

WHAT'S NEXT

ECCLESIASTES 12:1–14
JOHN 15:1–11

Sunday, June 28

What's the Point?

After all the searching and certainty has been stripped away what remains?

CALENDAR: JUNE 21-27

SUNDAY

Classic Worship	8:45 a • S
Classic Worship	10:00 a • S
NewDay Praise Worship	10:00 a • A
Revelations Adult Sunday School	10:00 a • L
Ordinary People Adult Sunday School	10:00 a • W
Rewired Adult Sunday School	10:00 a • K
Genesis Adult Sunday School	10:00 a • 101
F.U.N. Class	11:15 a • K
VBS DIY Decoration	11:15 a • W

MONDAY

Homeless Ministry Food Prep	9:00 a • Ki
Homeless Ministry Food Delivery	5:00 p • O
Vacation Bible School	6:00 p • MR
Threshold Singers Rehearsal	7:15 p • M

TUESDAY

Tuesday Morning Prayer Group	10:00 a • W
The Chosen (Study Group)	1:30 p • K
Vacation Bible School	6:00 p • MR
GriefShare	6:00 p • L

WEDNESDAY

Wednesday Morning Bible Study	10:00 a • L
Vacation Bible School	6:00 p • MR
Youth Worship	7:00 p • Y

THURSDAY

Vacation Bible School	6:00 p • MR

FRIDAY

Vacation Bible School	6:00 p • MR

SATURDAY

Mission Sewing Group	9:00 a • K
Last Saturday Lunch	9:00 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

06/14/2026	$10,955
Year-to-date	$515,081
Previous year-to-date	$548,828

PRAISE & PRAYER

Please pray for our Community Partners
Business: Big O Tires
Leader: Matthew Woolard, Director of Plainfield Parks and Recreation

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