

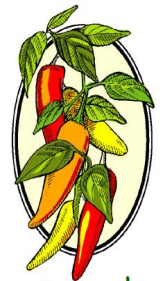


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September

We Serve Christ So All Will Follow Him

WHAT IS A DISCIPLE? – SEPTEMBER SERMON SERIES

“Disciple” is one of those words we say and write often in the church, though I’m not always sure what it means. I’m glad I’m not alone. The members of the Worship Committee suggested this sermon series on being a disciple of Jesus Christ, as they, too, had questions about the “d-word” and all it means and represents.

We say the word “disciple” over and over in church. The United Methodist Church has developed the truly excellent, in-depth Bible study program named *Disciple*. Also, the mission statement of the United Methodist Church reads, “The mission of the church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.”

So, digging deeper, what is a disciple of Jesus Christ? Is a disciple of Jesus Christ the same as a church member, or is there a significant difference? What must we do to be a disciple? Can anyone be a disciple? Is being a disciple easy or hard? How do we “make” a new disciple? How do we talk about faith with others?

If you’ve ever wondered if you’re really following Jesus, if you’ve ever longed for something more in your faith journey, or if you’re wondering how to share your faith in Jesus Christ with others, this sermon series is for you. We will explore Jesus’ own words to his disciples and their actions and reactions. Using stories and examples from the Bible we will come up with a true picture of discipleship. Then we can apply what we learn from the Bible to our world today.

And speaking of our world today, I continue to be amazed by and celebrate the tremendous ways that the people of Peralta Memorial UMC follow Jesus and share the love of Christ with others. In worship, in mission work, at recovery academies, at the Free Store, in classes and study groups, in the care we show for each other, and even in meetings, the people of Peralta make a true and faithful effort to follow Jesus Christ. We remember that the first disciples of Jesus certainly were not perfect, and neither are we. Yet we continue to follow and serve faithfully, and God is blessing us. It is my privilege to serve Jesus Christ with you.

Pastor David



**ARE YOU TAKING A CHANCE
WITH YOUR FAMILY/
YOUR CHILDREN/
YOUR SPOUSE ???**

**Do you know the answers to the
following questions? If you don't, you'll want to attend the
Reality Check-Life Planning Conference**

- **DO YOU HAVE A WILL? WHAT ABOUT a POWER OF ATTORNEY?
ARE THE ONLINE PROGRAMS LEGAL IN NEW MEXICO?**
- **HOW WILL YOU CARE FOR SOMEONE WITH
DEMENTIA/ALZHEIMERS – WHERE ARE THE RESOURCES??**
- **HOW DO YOU ACCESS HOME CARE/HOSPICE SERVICES – COST ?**
- **HOW TO FIND A QUALITY ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY OR
NURSING HOME?**
- **CAN YOU OR YOUR FAMILY AFFORD A FUNERAL/CREMATION?
ARE YOU ABLE TO PRE-PLAN? WHAT ARE YOUR OPTIONS?**
- **IF YOU DIE, WHO WILL LEGALLY CARE FOR YOUR CHILDREN?**

Plan to attend the:

**REALITY CHECK – LIFE PLANNING CONFERENCE
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2011 from 9 am -1pm
at PERALTA MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED -

Please call 865-9334 or 217-4998 & leave your name and telephone number.

There is no charge, but a donation of \$5 per family will be accepted at the door.



United Methodist Women

TUESDAY meeting, September 13th, 9:30 am in Fellowship Hall
SATURDAY meeting, September 17th at 8:00 am in Fellowship Hall

The September 17th meeting will begin at 8:00 am instead of our usual time of 8:30 which will allow us time to take care of business and have the opportunity to attend the Reality Check conference which begins at 9:00 am. The business program is to finalize plans for the Burrito Sale on October 2nd. If you have any questions, please contact Bernice Hughes (869-5836) or Mary Valigura (865-5590).

Thanks for the support of this worthy cause.

Looking ahead...United Methodist Women are sponsoring a Breakfast Burrito sale on October 2nd which will benefit "No More Malaria" campaign (purchasing protective mosquito nets to prevent the spread of malaria). Burritos will be sold that Sunday morning outside of Fellowship Hall.

CRAFTY LADIES

The 2011 Bazaar is quickly approaching with only 2 ½ months to go until November 18th and November 19th. There are still lots of things to do and lots of crafts we are trying to finish up, so we are BUSY, BUSY!!

Our September meeting days are the 6th, 7th, 20th and 21st from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm in Fellowship Hall.

Thanks to all who have helped and those who have answered our requests for special items. We are still looking for: 1 pint canning jars; china bowls, cups, saucers, and plates; Starbuck's jars; and tin cups (like for camping). There are also projects that can be done at home – such as sewing or baking and freezing baked items. Call Lois Meadors at 865-6791, for more information or if you are interested in helping out.

The Knots Prayer



Dear God,

Please untie the knots that are in my mind, my heart, and my life.

Remove the have nots, the can nots, and the do nots that I have in my mind.

Erase the will nots, may nots, might nots that may find a home in my heart.

Release me from the could nots, would nots, and should nots that obstruct my life.

And most of all, Dear God, I ask that you remove from my mind, my heart, and my life all of the *am nots* that I have allowed to hold me back, especially the thought that I am not good enough.

AMEN

Author Known to God

Lift up Your Prayers.
"Do not worry about anything; Instead,
PRAY ABOUT EVERYTHING." **Philippians 4:6**

[Keep these people/situations in our CONTINUING PRAYERS](#)

Naomi Jordan

Janette Baughman

Nellie Watkins

Eva Timmons

Michael Garrison

Cheryl Trujillo

Karen Fastnacht

Sylvia Ward

Lisle Borom

Pastor David & his wife Melissa

Erma Ward

Jim & Melba Derosssett

Betty Chambers

Joleen Baughman

Patrick France

Marji West

John & Alice Risse

Roscille Wright

Chris Knox

Our Church & Ministries

Abundant Grace Free Store

Cure for cancer

Military and their families

USA leaders and our freedom

We try to keep this list updated, so if you know of anyone who needs to be added to the list, please call Ruth Romero at 869-4842 or the church office, 865-9334.

Thank you to **EVERYONE** who worked on the completion of the second floor of the Community Building.

An extra-special thanks goes to Ty Harris, Milt Ferguson and Wayne Sharp for sharing their professional services and licenses. This, combined with their helpfulness and expertise, allowed church manpower to do much of the work (no charge to the church).

In addition, it is with GREAT gratitude that I personally want to acknowledge Walt Timmons for his dedication and endurance in making sure that this project would be completed in the most cost-effective manner, and following all the guidelines for proper approvals.



Thanks be to God for His divine guidance of this congregation at Peralta Memorial UMC as this Community Building project was begun many years ago – a dream and a goal of many in this congregation (some who have passed on or moved away). We now look to the future and what this completed building means in helping us to serve God in this community. We ask for God’s continued blessing.

John Almqvist, Trustees Chair

The United Methodist Women of St. John’s UMC invites you to participate in a Mission Study led by Dodie Hawkins – title “The Journey: Forgiveness, Restorative Justice and Reconciliation; and also share in the Albuquerque District UMW Book Fair. This will be held on Thursday October 6th from 8:30-9:30 (Registration) and 9:30-2:30 for the study.

St. John’s is located at 2626 Arizona NE in Albuquerque. Cost is \$8.00 which includes the luncheon. Pre-registration is required by September 26th by calling Dolores Sundt 881-1675, or e-mail dfsundt@msn.com.



A Joyful Noise Bell Choir is excited to welcome new members. Rehearsals are Mondays at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. If you are interested, please contact Leon Rael at 866-5586

F a m i l i e s
F e l l o w s h i p
B e g i n s
S e p t e m b e r 14

Families Fellowship



4:00-5:30 pm – Tutoring for students in
1st-8th grades in Fellowship Hall

5:45 pm –

Meal served in Fellowship Hall

6:00 pm – Praise Team rehearsal

6:30 pm – Children's Bible and Fun Program

6:30 pm – Adult study, Conference Room;

studying Dr. David Jeremiah's book on Revelation

7:00 pm – Choir rehearsal

Conclusion of Wednesday activities will be 8:00 pm

The Wednesday meal being planned each week:
Soup, Salad, Bread, Dessert & Drinks

Volunteers are needed to help with JUST ONE MEAL...

Do you have a favorite soup that you would be willing to make and that will feed about 30 people? If you can help, please contact the church office or Angie Davis at 869-9490.

To sign up for the Bible Study, call Linda Smith at 865-6021.

For additional Music rehearsal information
contact Heather Rindels at 866-1198.

To register for Tutoring, contact Gayle Stayton at 866-1609.

For more information about the children's program,
call Angie Davis, 869-9490.



September 4 – Becky & Kenneth Eubank
September 4 – Betty & John Almquist
September 6 – Jill & Neil Thompson
September 11 – Tina & Joseph Tietjen
September 17 – Shawna & Chad Buckner
September 18 – Amy & Jordan Valigura
September 27 – Wendy & Vernon Honeyfield
September 30 – Danene & Dayle Eager



September 6 - Mary Valigura
September 7 – Neil Thompson
September 8 – Billy Jones
September 8 – Abby Altobello
September 9 – Grant Irwin
September 9 – Shiann Irwin
September 9 – Nash Knowlton
September 9 – Luke Miller III
September 10 – Joleen Atencio
September 11 – Dayle Eager
September 11 – Julieanne Welch
September 12 – Randy Ward
September 12 – Ryan Rindels
September 14 – Deanna Bentley
September 14 – Erika Wade
September 14 – Brittany Skinner
September 15 – Gary Bentley
September 16 – Jenna Culver

September 17 – Don Scranton
September 17 – Pete Broekstra
September 18 – Danene Eager
September 18 – Keri Hall
September 19 – Jessica Buckner
September 19 – Klarissa Hall
September 20 – Gene Kallenbach
September 20 – Tina Hall
September 20 – C.J. Kinnikin
September 20 – Steven Copeland
September 23 – Mary Ann Poore
September 25 – Jennifer York
September 25 – Eric Peasley
September 27 – Paul Wolf
September 27 – Jeannie Schroth
September 28 – Meagan Chamberlain
September 29 – Katie Thompson

DONATE BLOOD

UNITED BLOOD SERVICES WILL BE AT THE CHURCH
FOR A BLOOD DRIVE

WHEN: SATURDAY, October 1st

WHERE: COMMUNITY BUILDING
AUDITORIUM

TIME: NOON – 3 PM

In order to maintain a supply to meet the needs of the 42 NM hospitals that United Blood Services serves, 320 donations are needed daily. Only 5% of the population donates blood. DO YOU DONATE????

ONE OUT OF THREE NEW MEXICANS WILL NEED BLOOD SOME TIME IN THEIR LIFE. WILL YOU BE A HERO, AND HELP SAVE A LIFE?

To schedule an appointment online go to:

www.unitedbloodservices.org ----go to "sign up to be a donor" and use Sponsor Code: Peralta --- to find the correct listing

Or you may contact Chris O'Conner, at 565-0181
or the church office 865-9334



"The good Lord didn't create anything without a purpose, but mosquitoes come close."

God loves everyone, but probably prefers "fruits of the spirit" over "religious nuts!"

While driving in Pennsylvania, a family caught up to an Amish carriage. The owner of the carriage obviously had a sense of humor, because attached to the back of the carriage was a hand-printed sign...."Energy efficient vehicle: runs on oats and grass. Caution: do not step in exhaust."

A Sunday school teacher began her lesson with a question, "Boys and girls, what do we know about God?" A hand shot up in the air. "He is an artist!" said the kindergarten boy. "Really? How do you know?" the teacher asked. "You know – Our Father, who does art in Heaven...."

Sunday after church, a Mom asked her very young daughter what the lesson was about. The daughter answered, "Don't be scared, you'll get your quilt." Needless to say, the Mom was perplexed. Later in the day, the pastor stopped by for tea and the Mom asked him what that morning's Sunday school lesson was about. He said "Be not afraid, they comforter is coming."



September

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Class #3 4-5:30 WW, 5:30-8 pm, Auditorium AA, FH, 5:30 First Place 4 Health, 6:30 pm, Conf Rm	2 Emmaus, Fell Hall 6:30 pm	3
4 7:50 Praise Team 8:25 Worship 9:45 Sunday School 10:55 Worship 5:00 Zumba, Auditorium 5:30, AA, FH 6:00-8:00 – Youth Group	5 LABOR DAY Office closed Food pantry closed Emmaus #101, 6:15 Bells, 7:00 pm	6 Crafty Ladies, 9-2 Fell Hall Trustees work day 9-12 Class #3 4-5:30 Worship, #104, 6 pm Rejoice, 6:30 pm Lay Leadership, #101, 7 pm Trustees #103, 6:30 pm	7 Crafty Ladies, 9-2 Fell Hall Praise Team 6:00 Stewardship #103, 6:30 pm SPRC #102, 7 pm Choir, 7 pm	8 Colores of Worship, 9:30 am, Fell Hall Class #3 4-5:30 WW, 5:30-8 pm, Auditorium AA, FH, 5:30 First Place 4 Health, 6:30 pm, Conf Rm	9	10 Threads of Love, Fell Hall 10:30 am
11 7 am- Men's Breakfast, 7:50 Praise Team 8:25 Worship 9:45 Sunday School 10:55 Worship 12:15 – Youth LT, FH 5-6:30, Zumba, Audit. 5:30 AA, FH 6 pm "ACTS" study, CR 6-8 pm, Youth Group	12 Food Pantry, 10-12:30 Emmaus #101, 6:15 Finance mtg 6:30 #104 Bells, 7 m	13 Trustees work day 9-12 Class #3 4-5:30 Ad Council, Conf Rm 6:30 pm Rejoice, 6:30 pm	14 Families Fellowship begins 4 pm- Tutoring 5:45- Meal 6 pm – Praise Team 6:30 – Kids program Fell Hall & adult Study, Conf Rm 7 pm - Choir	15 Class #3 4-5:30 WW, 5:30-8 pm, Auditorium AA, F H, 5:30 First Place 4 Health, 6:30 pm, Conf Rm	16 Community Building set up begins at 3 pm for 9/17 conference	17 UMW meeting, Fell Hall, 8 am Real i ty Check Conference, 9 am-1: 00 pm Communi ty Bui l ding Acolyte Training 10:30 am
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