



## Peralta Memorial United Methodist Church

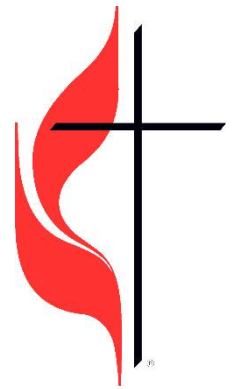
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*We Serve Christ So All Will Follow Him*

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## COME TO THE VISIONING RETREAT!!!

The visioning retreat for Peralta Memorial UMC will take place on Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 AM until around noon at Beulah, a retreat center off Chughole Lane in Peralta. Come at 8:00 for food and drinks, and our visioning work will begin at 8:30 sharp.

We will spend the morning reading the Bible, praying, and talking about what God has in store for us. Through a series of discussions, prayers, and Post-It notes, we will discern God's will for our church in 2018 – and maybe beyond!

Everyone who participates in the ministries and life of the church is invited! Please RSVP to the church office to make sure we have enough food. (e-mail: [pmumc@peraltamethodist.org](mailto:pmumc@peraltamethodist.org), or phone: 865-9334.)

I look forward to our time in God's presence, seeking God's will for our church. Where is Jesus going to take us this year? How will we change Valencia County with Christ's love?

*Pastor David*

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## END OF YEAR GIVING STATEMENTS –

If you requested a giving statement, they will be available for you to pick up on February 11<sup>th</sup>. You can find your envelope in a basket on the “welcome table” in the Narthex.

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# AFTERSHOCK

“Turning the hearts of youth and families to God and each other”

Feeding the homeless on Martin Luther King Day proved to be an eye-opening experience for many of the youth and we believe for many of the homeless as well. We had a full bus of youth and Larry Huff (our driver) and Marlow. It is always a blessing to see the youth pulling together to put about 115 sack lunches, 80 blessing bags (put together by Lynn Plante), and about 30 blankets and sleeping bags in prep to serve homeless people around Albuquerque. The youth have quite the assembly line to put all the components into the sack lunches, other youth organize and pack the blankets, blessing bags, and drinks into the bus. After prayer and instruction, we head into Albuquerque around the Lead and First street area, there we find some people in need near the Rescue missions, by First UMC, and down by the railroad tracks. Then we head down to a park somewhere close to Central and 12<sup>th</sup> street. Next, we head to Train Park near 2<sup>nd</sup> and I-40 where there were a lot of people in need. The last stop we make is to the healthcare for the homeless building at 1<sup>st</sup> and Mountain and we always give out all that we have left there. While the youth say in general that it is sad to see so many people in need on the streets, in the cold, it was uplifting to see how they take care of one another, and are always appreciative and up beat when they receive items from us.

***Thank you for your support of the Aftershock Youth Ministry***, it is because of your generous donations to the youth and to the Blessing Bags that we are able to go out into the world and feed the hungry, praying for them, and helping them to stay a little bit warmer in a cold, cold world.

### FEBRUARY EVENTS PLEASE PRAY FOR US

There are two upcoming youth events during the month of February.

- The first is Ignite, a student led conference consisting of over 200 to 250 youth from Valencia county, Albuquerque and even El Paso. This year it is being held at the First Baptist Church of Belen on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of February. The Aftershock youth will also be hosting King’s Kids El Paso with about 65 people spending two nights here at the church.
- CCYM is a camp for High school students and is held at the Sacramento Camp and Conference Center in the Sacramento Mountains. Please pray for the youth and adults attending this camp. If you would like more information on this camp please call Marlow at 505-480-3621



**Mary Circle/UMW meets once a month  
(on the second Tuesday) in Fellowship Hall at 9:30 am.**

**We have new officers for 2018:  
Kaye Groves, President  
Robert de la Rosa, Vice-President  
Lanna Sharp, Treasurer  
Marianne Lynch, Secretary**

Our meeting on February 13<sup>th</sup> will be hosted by Sylvia Regelbrugge and we'll have a theme of Valentine's Day. We'll be making cards for those who are shut-ins. Please come!!! We are looking for new members. If you are looking for an outing – come join us!! We pray for world and local endeavors, we pray for those in need and we enjoy the fellowship of our fellow members. Mary Circle/UMW also sponsors the Barnabas Writing Ministry as well as Christian movies from Branson, MO's 'Sight and Sound Theater'. We also help with funeral/memorial receptions and many outreach activities. Your help and participation is ALWAYS welcome!!

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**DO YOU HAVE CHURCH KEYS?**

For those of you in possession of church keys, it's time to meet with me and update the church key holder records. This is a good time to assess whether or not you still need the facility keys that you have. I will be showing up at various meetings and events to confirm that each one of you has the keys that you have signed for, to retrieve any keys to church facilities that you no longer need, and to update the records. I may call and ask you to arrive a little early, so that I don't disrupt your meeting. I can also help you identify any church keys that you haven't used in such a long time that you have forgotten which door they are for.

This project will take me at least a couple of months, but you can make it go faster by gathering up your keys and having them with you when you come for various events. I will try to avoid approaching you on Sunday mornings, unless that's the only time we can get together. I need to physically see your keys and **if you are unable to get to church and I have not made contact with you by the end of April, please call me.** I will be glad to make arrangements to get together with you even if it means coming to your house.

I would also like to remind each of you that when you signed for keys, you also signed that you will not duplicate the keys or pass them on to someone else. All keys should be signed for and issued through the church office and also returned to the church office or to me.

Micky Killough 505-550-7576

*The following is excerpts taken from an article published on Church Leaders/IXMarks online websites and written by Tim Counts:*

## **4 Reasons Every Church Needs Senior Saints**

Sometimes senior saints question their usefulness in the church as they age. That's unfortunate because they're an essential part of the body of Christ. We need to remind our elderly members that they're not only loved by their Good Shepherd and Savior – they're also loved and needed by his people. Here are the 4 reasons every church needs senior saints.

### **1. *We need your prayers.***

We need older members to pray out loud during worship services, Bible studies, and prayer meetings. We also need their private prayers. In Tim's church, like at Peralta Memorial UMC, there are several elderly people who pray for the church, our community, and the pastor regularly. (Our Prayer Warriors are all ages!!). No matter if a senior saint is able to attend church, or is home-bound – their prayers for the church are needed!

### **2. *We need your practical, biblical wisdom.***

Tim's grandpa taught Sunday school class until Parkinson's robbed him of his voice. A seminary professor taught class using a special microphone because of health issues. We can be thankful that people such as these continued to pass on their biblical knowledge and life experience until they literally couldn't do it any longer. Whether it's through class or sharing a comment during a Bible study or encouraging a young parent during fellowship – every church member needs the wisdom that comes from decades of studying the Word mixed with decades of life experiences. Seniors speaking to young believers with love and truth and grace brings practical, biblical wisdom that only comes from marinating in the Word and walking with Christ in both life's joys and sorrows.

### **3. *We need your encouragement.***

As a senior saint, your words of encouragement matter. Just think of how a sleep-deprived parent will 'light up' when you tell them "your kids are a joy". Or discouraged empty-nesters struggling with change rediscover hope as they remember God's faithfulness seeing your marriages of over 50 years. As the Psalmist exclaims, "One generation shall commend your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts" (Psalm 145:4). Don't hesitate to share your stories of provision and grace and forgiveness and to remind us of God's goodness and faithfulness. We need your encouragement!

### **4. *We need your presence.***

We know it takes a lot of work for older folks to get to church. We know that one day we'll need to come to you. But until that day, we need your presence. There's something special about the redeemed people of God coming together for worship and seeing a spectrum of ages. There's something about coming together to worship with people who are different than us – even generationally – that points to the beauty of the gospel and the glory of God. There's something about knowing fellow saints who can speak of God never abandoning them through DECADES, that powerfully reminds us of the faithfulness of God. We don't use the term "senior saint" because you're perfect or because you don't have struggles like us all. We call you "senior saint" because your faith in Christ in your senior years points to the fact that the same God who saves is the same God who sustains. Lift your heads, dear senior saints. You're needed. Please don't stop serving.



# February

## BIRTHDAYS

February 2 - Pauline Taylor  
February 8 - Aubrey Valigura  
February 9 - Courtney Smith  
February 11 - Matt Atencio  
February 13 - Jay Smith, Jr.  
February 14 - Tom Broekstra  
February 14 - Dorothy York  
February 14 - Rebecca Knowlton  
February 15 - Marian Hardy  
February 15 - Danielle Meyer  
February 16- Shauna Parker  
February 16 - Linda Darnell  
February 17 - Roberta de la Rosa  
February 17 - Jeremy Smith  
February 18 - Helen Thompson  
February 20 - Trent Green  
February 25 - Mike Romero  
February 26 - Bobby Green  
February 27 - Wendy Honeyfield  
February 27 - Maxine Welsh  
February 27 - Amy Valigura  
February 27 - Jess Davis

*February 14 – Larry & Melodie Huff*  
*February 16 – Walt & Peggy Shoemaker*  
*February 16 – Gustavo & Renee Garcia*



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## ANNIVERSARIES

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**Friday Morning Bible Study** will start again on February 2 in Fellowship Hall from 10-11 AM! We will be studying Soul Keeping Caring for The Most Important Part of You, by John Ortburg. There is still room for more members and we would love to have you, so if you are interested contact me, Chris Knox at 865-7864 or show up on Friday..

Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>

Ash Wednesday Service  
at 7:00 pm



A reminder for the  
Lent season:

*"That is why the Lord says, "Turn to me now,  
while there is time! Give me your hearts.  
Come with fasting, weeping, and mourning.  
Don't tear your clothing in your grief;  
instead, tear your hearts."  
Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious  
and Merciful. He is not easily angered.  
He is filled with kindness and is eager  
not to punish you."  
Joel 2:12-13*

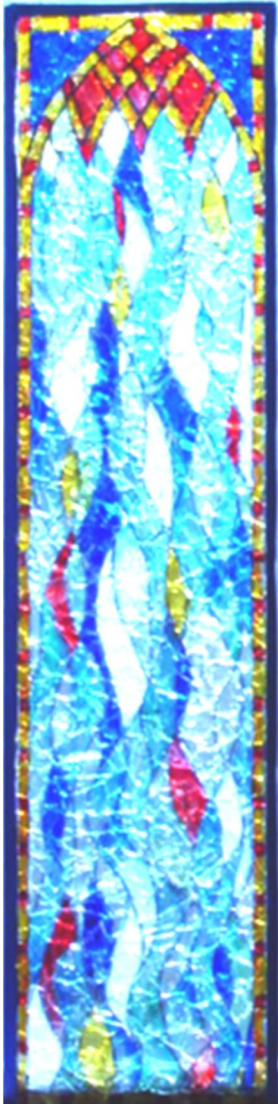
GOD BLESS...

Please be in prayer for each of these in our continuing prayer list. If you know of anyone else who needs to be added, please call Ruth at 869-4842 or the church office, 865-9334.

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| <b>Pastor David &amp; Family</b>      | Valencia County Abundant Grace Free Store | <b>Donna Duke</b>                        | Marj West                |
| <b>Lynn Schultz</b>                   | Erma Ward                                 | <b>Mike Heppler</b>                      | Cheryl Huber             |
| Karel & Martha Pekarek                | <b>Don &amp; Peggy Gleichman</b>          | Sharon Ramirez                           | <b>Dan McCarty</b>       |
| <b>Conrad Joseph Hughes-Faganello</b> | <b>Cure for Cancer</b>                    | Eva Timmons                              | <b>Dorothy Marta</b>     |
| Jim Kubisak                           | <b>Janette Baughman</b>                   | Diego                                    | <b>J'Amy Creel</b>       |
| <b>Joleen Baughman</b>                | Karen Fastnacht                           | <b>Nate Meyer</b>                        | USA Leaders              |
| Michael Garrison                      | <b>Our Freedom</b>                        | Richard & Linda Darnell                  | <b>Larry Huff</b>        |
| <b>All Caregivers</b>                 | Anne Cassidy-Vigil                        | <b>All military &amp; their families</b> | <b>Lori Buvinghausen</b> |
| <b>Pauline Taylor</b>                 | Mike Romero                               | <b>Cassie Vigil-Otero</b>                | Beth & Dennie Miller     |
|                                       |   | Chris Knox                               | <b>Bill Lynch</b>        |
|                                       |   |  | Our Freedom              |

## Sanctuary Art-Glass Window Treatments for PMUMC – A BIG project you can be a part of!

### *The Sanctuary Art-Glass Window Treatments: A Tangible Expression of Worship*



Re: At left is a photo of a model of the Peralta Methodist Sanctuary Art-Glass Window Treatments. The actual window treatments will be approximately 20" x 90" and will be hung in each of the 12 sanctuary windows. There will be additional predominating colors, with the overall design being constant in all the window treatments.

We anticipate the project will be completed for dedication on Easter Sunday April 21, 2019.

**The Process:** The window treatments will be backed with Lucite on which is applied alcohol ink for the color. The glass pieces will then be applied with E-6000 glue over the color. These will be hung in front of the existing glass windows without compromising the existing windows.

**Importantly:** All the glass pieces that will be used in this project are recycled from the local area. The Trinity header and border are recycled tempered glass from shower doors, etc. The body of the glass will all come from the **Los Lunas Glass Recycling Center**. They are enthusiastically working with us on this project!

Congregation groups and members are sponsoring the cost of materials for the project. Suggested sponsorship donations are \$500.00 per window. In the case of multiple sponsorships per window the sponsorship donation will be shared. All the labor involved will be done by volunteers.

#### **Sponsorship Applications will close February 15, 2018**

##### HOW YOU CAN HELP:

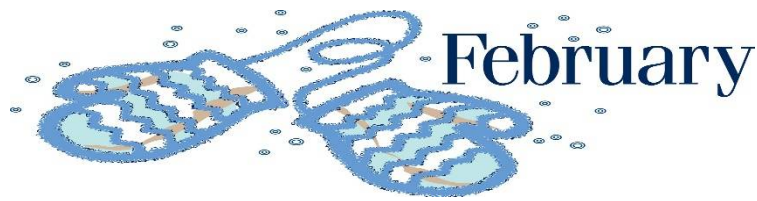
- By sponsoring a window, or part of a window. There will be a plaque at the base of each window treatment listing the names of the sponsors.
- By helping at the Los Lunas Glass Recycling Center (date to be determined) to pre-sort clear bottles after which a special grinding will be done at the recycling center of clear glass for this project.
- By helping at workshops that will be scheduled about twice a month – where we will be applying the glass pieces to the Lucite.
- By photographing or videoing the different phases of this project.
- By praying for the project and project members.

For a comprehensive Q & A sheet about the project, or for a Sponsorship Application, please contact the PMUMC office. Project Coordinators: Kelley Green and Sylvia Regelbrugge.



**Crafty Ladies will meet on February 6 & 7** (the regular dates are the first Tuesday and Wednesday of the month) from 9:00 AM until about 2 PM in Fellowship Hall. We would be so delighted to have you come to craft and fellowship with us and stay for lunch, too!

We often ask for the help of the congregation and get a great response. Right now **we are in need of animal food bags (plastic only, 20 to 50 lbs--horse, dog, bird, chicken), zippers--all sizes and colors, buttons--especially white, Christmas decorations, and jelly jars.** Please bring donations to the church on our meeting days. For more information call Lois Meadors at 865-6791, Kelley Green at 865-6975 or the church office.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				<b>1</b> 9 am Exercise, FH  12:15 – Tai Ji, FH 4:30 – Fitness #203 6 pm, Cub Leaders' mtg., classroom 6:30 – First Place 4 Health, Conf Rm	<b>2</b> 8:30 – Huddle #101 10 am - #103 new class 10 am – Fell Hall, Bible study 4:30 – Fitness #203 6:30 – EMMAUS, Fell Hall & Kitchen	<b>3</b>  Work Day 9 am, Food Pantry
<b>4</b> 8:30 Worship 9:45 – Sunday School 11:00 – Worship 6 pm – AfterShock Youth Group	<b>5</b> 'Soul' class #103 9:30 am Food Pantry, 10-12:30 Fitness, 4:30 #203 6 pm – Huddle 103 6 pm Emmaus, #101, 6 pm Cub Scouts, Ed Bldg. 6:15-Boy Scouts,	<b>6</b> Crafty Ladies, Fell Hall & Kitchen, 9-2  1-2:30 pm- Huddle Conf Rm 4 - Tai Ji , #203 4:45–Fitness #203 6:30 – Financial Peace U, #201 6:30 – Trustees' mtg	<b>7</b> Crafty Ladies, Fell Hall & Kitchen, 9-2  4:30 – Fitness #203 6 pm – GriefShare #103 6 pm Girl Scouts, Ed Bldg 6 pm Bible #101 6 pm- Praise Team 7 pm - Choir	<b>8</b> 9 am Exercise, F H  12:15 – Tai Ji, FH 4:30 – Fitness #203 6 pm – Worship mtg, #101 6:30 - First Place, CR 7 pm – SPRC #104	<b>9</b> 8:30 – Huddle #101 10 am – Bible study, Fell Hall  4:30 – Fitness #203	<b>10</b> 10:30 am – Threads of Love, Fell Hall  Fell Hall & Kitchen and Auditorium & Kitchen reserved 3 – 9 pm, VHS Band
<b>11</b> 7 am –UMM breakfast, Fell Hall 8:30 – Worship 9:45 – Sunday School 11 am – Worship  6 pm - AfterShock	<b>12</b> Food Pantry, 10-12:30  4:30 – Fitness, #203 6 pm – Huddle #103 6 pm Cub Scouts Ed Bldg. 6 pm Emmaus #101 6 pm – Boy Scouts, Auditorium 6:30 Finance mtg, #104	<b>13</b> UMW/Mary Circle, Fell Hall, 9:30 am  1:00-Huddle, Conf Room 4 - Tai Ji , FH 4:30 –Fitness #203 (homework @ 3:30) 6:30 – FPU, #201	<b>14</b>  4:30 – Fitness #203 6 pm - Girl Scouts, Ed Bldg No Bible  7 pm – Worship Service	<b>15</b> 9 am Exercise, FH 12:15 -Tai Ji, FH,  4:30 Fitness #203 6:30, First Place #101 6:30 Ad Council Conf Room	<b>16</b> 8:30 – Huddle #101 10 am – Bible Study, Fell Hall  4:30 – Fitness #203	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> 8:30 – Worship 9:45 – Sunday School 11:00 – Worship  6 pm AfterShock 6:30 Light Night, Sanctuary	<b>19</b>  <b>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</b> 'Soul' class #103 9:30 am Food Pantry, 10 am 4:30 – Fitness, #203 6 pm Emmaus #101 6 pm-Huddle #103 No Cub Scouts 6:15 pm – Boy Scouts Ed Bldg.	<b>20</b> 1:00-Huddle, Conf Room  NO LOGOS today  4 - Tai Ji , FH 4:30 –Fitness #203 6:30 – FPU, #201	<b>21</b> 4:30 – Fitness #203 6 pm GriefShare, #103 6 pm Girl Scouts, Ed Bldg 6 pm Bible #101 6 pm- Praise Team 7 pm - Choir	<b>22</b> 9 am Exercise, FH 12:15 -Tai Ji, FH,  4:30 Fitness #203 6:30, First Place CR  <a href="#">Newsletter (March) Deadline</a>	<b>23</b> 8:30 – Huddle #101 10 am – Bible Study, Fell Hall  4:30 – Fitness #203	<b>24</b>  <i>Visioning Retreat at Beulah – 8 am</i>  <b>BLOOD DRIVE – 9 to 1 - Auditorium</b>  Auditorium & Kitchen 3-8 pm, Cub Scouts
<b>25</b> 7 am – UMM Breakfast, Fell Hall 8:30 – Worship 9:45 – Sunday School 11 am – Worship  6 pm - AfterShock	<b>26</b> Food Pantry, 10-12:30 4:30 – Fitness, #203 6 pm Emmaus #101 6 pm Huddle #103 6 pm – Cub Scouts 6:15 pm – Boy Scouts Ed Bldg.	<b>27</b> 1:00-Huddle, Conf Room  3:30 – Huddle #201 4:30 – LOGOS (homework 3:30) 4 - Tai Ji , FH 4:30 –Fitness #203 6:30 – FPU, #201	<b>28</b> 4:30 – Fitness #203 6 pm Girl Scouts, Ed Bldg 6 pm Bible #101 6 pm- Praise Team 7 pm - Choir	<b>Mar 1</b> 9 am Exercise, FH 12:15 -Tai Ji, FH,  4:30 Fitness #203 6 pm, Cub Leaders' mtg, Ed classroom 6:30, First Place CR 6:30 – Sanctuary reserved, rehearsal	<b>Mar 2</b> 8:30 – Huddle #101 10 am – Bible Study, Fell Hall  4:30 – Fitness #203 6:30 – EMMAUS, Fell Hall & Kitchen	<b>Mar 3</b>