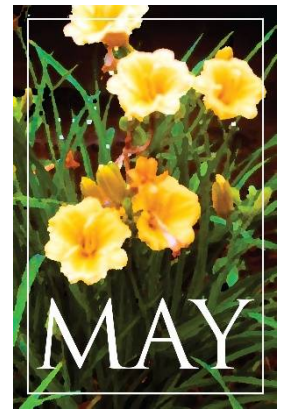


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LOVE GOD...LOVE PEOPLE...REACH OUT

OFFERING GOD'S GIFT OF HOSPITALITY

Have you ever been to someone's home and found yourself totally at ease? Have you been to a place where the conversation flows and the refreshments are just right? Were you able to say without a doubt, "God is here"? What made that place and moment right?

Hospitality takes practice and intentionality. If we do it well and practice it over and over again it becomes part of who we are. However, if we do not cultivate hospitality, those who are outsiders likely will not return. We need to think and pray about hospitality. In May, we will look at an aspect of hospitality each Sunday.

Hospitality of laughter. In Genesis Chapter 18, God appears to Abraham and Sarah in the form of three men who come to visit. The visitors proclaim that they will return in due season and Sarah will have a child. Both Abraham and Sarah are quite elderly, and Sarah laughs upon hearing God's news for her. Sometimes, in the midst of God's amazing miracles and blessings we have to laugh! God wants us to celebrate! Humor and joy are essential to hospitality. When we show up to a holy gathering, we can expect that God will do something to make us laugh and shout.

Hospitality to all. Matthew Chapter 22 contains the parable of the wedding banquet. The king offers a banquet, but those invited fail to come. In fact, the invited guests turn on the king and kill his servants! The king punishes the attackers and then invites everyone off the street to come to the banquet. Do we invite everyone to the table – or to church? Do we pick and choose who should come or do we let God do the choosing?

Hospitality of presence. Jesus visits Mary and Martha in Chapter 10 of Luke. Martha works very hard at her tasks around the home while Mary sits at Jesus's feet and listens. When Martha criticizes her sister's seeming laziness in front of Jesus, Jesus replies that Mary "has chosen the better part." Do we ever get too busy and forget to listen to God? Do we forget to listen to the people around us? Do we have people in our church who are ready and willing to listen to people as their first job and priority?

When I study hospitality in depth, I get excited! I'm excited by the many ways God loves us. I'm excited by God's desire to give us the very best. I look forward to slowing down my tasks in life and sharing God's love with others as I attend to them. May our church continue to offer God's love through mindful hospitality.

Pastor David



UMW/Mary Circle

UMW – Bake Sale May 6th

will be held during Sunday school time and after 2nd service. Delicious goodies will be available, and some will be individually packaged and dressed for gift giving (Mother's Day is the next Sunday!)

Proceeds will benefit the mission study and work of UMW.



The May meeting of UMW on May 8th will be at 9:30 am in Fellowship Hall.

Pastor David is our guest speaker and will discuss Valencia county's problems with drugs and its effect on church families. Anyone interested may attend and refreshments will be served.

And looking ahead – please mark your calendar for **June 12th** meeting of UMW because we'll have a special presentation from Noblin Funeral Home on what you need to plan for and what do others need to know when you are not around to tell your family. This meeting will begin at 9:30 am in Fellowship Hall and **ALL church members** are invited to attend (men and women). There will be refreshments served and a lot of free material available to help with planning your future.

Come Join Us

At a Workshop for the Sanctuary Art-Glass Window Treatment Project

In May we will be meeting:

- Wednesday May 2 from 1:00 to 3:00
- Saturday May 5 from 1:00 to 3:00
- Wednesday May 16 from 1:00 to 3:00
- Saturday May 19 from 1:00 to 3:00

**The workshop is located in the NW Suite
of the north "portable" building**

No experience is necessary, and all materials will be provided.

Join in the fun! (We do not charge you for the therapy.)

Call Sylvia Regelbrugge at 505-565-5913 with questions.



AFTERSHOCK

"Turning the hearts of youth and families to God and each other"



Rummage Sale

TOO MUCH STUFF LAYING
AROUND YOUR HOUSE,
YARD AND GARAGE? WE CAN
HELP!

The youth will be hosting a rummage sale on May 5th from 8 am to 2 pm in the church parking lot. We will sell just about anything you care to bring us. You can bring us items on Sunday morning or during office hours during the week and we will stock pile them up in the Wright building until May 5th.

All the proceeds will go towards the purchase of a portable baptismal immersion tank, hopefully with a heater. Help us to jump start the funds to purchase this item while thinning out all the stuff that we all accumulate. Thank you in advance for your support!

EVERYONE IS INVITED... To the New Mexico
Annual Conference, June 12-15

There are several events and activities that local church folks can attend for free or at a low cost. Non-voting guests may attend the conference for \$25.

We have nationally renowned experts traveling in to present Early Bird Workshops and dynamic local speakers as well. Our conference social is United Methodist Night at the Isotopes Ballpark on Wednesday night for \$12/person. The Ordination and Commissioning service will be held on Thursday night at St. John's UMC-ABQ. Koreen Guillermo, Scott Meador, Raquel Mull and Ellen Swain will be ordained as full elders. Lourdes Calderon will be commissioned as a missionary.

Following our *Way Forward* Listening Sessions, the interest of our local church attendees has no doubt been piqued. With that in mind, our guest preacher/teacher, Bishop Robert Schnase, who is also a member of the *Commission on a Way Forward*, will host a Q & A on Tuesday evening. In addition, he'll be focusing his teaching sessions throughout the annual conference on his most recent book, Just Say Yes.

To view options and to register for any of the workshops or activities go to <http://www.nmconfum.com/annual-conference-2018/>



MAY ANNIVERSARIES

May 17 – Matt & Joleen Atencio
May 20 – Wayne & Lanna Sharp
May 21 – Gabe & Michelle Candelaria
May 23 – Don & Corene Honeyfield
May 26 – Jim & Melba Derossett

May 1 – Joe Fiedler
May 1 – Margaret Zartman
May 1 – Nina Eastburn
May 1 – Sam Blaine
May 5 – Jean Babb
May 10 – Becky McCain
May 10 – Cindy Russell
May 10 – Nate Meyer
May 10 – Wyatt Harris
May 14 – Jackie Inman
May 15 – Ted Van Curen
May 17 – Wayne Sharp
May 18 – Emilio Matsutani
May 20 – Stella West
May 21 – Dorothy Vaughan
May 21 – Butch West
May 21 – Teresa Gonzales
May 22 – Heather Parker
May 22 – Cooper Eubank
May 22 – Amiah Hernandez
May 27 – Diana Ward
May 27 – Sara Sams



MAY BIRTHDAYS

May 28 – Bill Grotefend

May 30 – Steve Davis



PRAYER WARRIORS

Encouragement for the Overwhelmed Mom!

1. It's OK if you don't get it all done, we rarely do!
2. Remember to focus on the things God wants you to do today, not the things YOU think you should do today.
3. Whatever is going to happen will happen, whether we worry or not.
4. The laundry will be there tomorrow. Make memories today!
5. Greatness lies not in being strong, but in the right use of strength.
6. You can do anything for 15 minutes - Flylady
7. Commit your ways to the Lord; trust him, and he will act. Psalm 37:2
8. Don't base what you do on other people's expectations.
9. If God sends us on strong paths, we are provided strong shoes - Corrie TenBoom
10. Don't stress yourself out over multiple tasks. Pick one thing, get it done and then move on to the next!

www.sidetrackedsarrah.com

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.

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

VBS is
June 18th-22nd
2018!



VBS is June 18th-22nd, 2018! Pre-school (age 4 and potty trained) through 6th grade may participate. We are always looking for leaders to help us out with VBS. We are particularly in need of adult leaders for crafts, games, and crew leaders. We also will be asking for help through donations of items that we will need to make VBS successful. Please look for the donation list and VBS registration in May. Our next VBS meeting is on Sunday, May 20th after 2nd service. Also, whomever is participating in VBS needs to be Safe Sanctuaries trained, this information will be in the Sunday Bulletin and the monthly Flame. On Sunday, June 17th we will be having a Father's Day Bake Sale after each service. This bake sale will help with funds for VBS. We would greatly appreciate your support!!! As always, we are grateful for everyone's help and prayers. If you have any question please contact Shawnda Lumpkin @ slumpkin@lsschools.net or 505-306-5551.

God Bless You, Shawnda Lumpkin
Becky Eubank Shelby Eubank
VBS Directors

Please join us for CRAFTY LADIES' next meeting days



**May 1st and 2nd, from 9 am until 2 pm
in Fellowship Hall.**

**All help is needed and GREATLY appreciated. You will enjoy
the fellowship!!! Lunch is also provided.**

SAFE SANCTUARIES TRAINING – 2018

Jesus tells his disciples to “let the little children come to me” (Matthew 19:14). Safe Sanctuaries is the name of our policy to reduce the risk of harm to children and youth in the ministry activities of Peralta Memorial UMC. It is a policy that ensures adequate and safe supervision of children and youth during activities at our church. By receiving Safe Sanctuaries training, our volunteers and staff who work with children learn the procedures and expectations necessary to protect our children and youth in church activities.

The deadline for the completion of training and background checks for 2018 is June 4th.

All adults who work with children and youth must receive Safe Sanctuaries training EVERY YEAR. This training can be done online or in person. The dates and times of the in-person training at Peralta Memorial UMC are:

Friday, May 11 from 6:30 – 8:30 pm
Saturday, May 12 from 9:00 – 11:00 am
Saturday, June 2 from 10:00 am - noon

The online training can be accessed via an e-mail invitation after your background check has been completed. Background checks must be completed EVERY OTHER YEAR. (And we request background checks for paid staff who work with children and youth every year.) If you work with youth and children at Peralta Memorial UMC and your background check was not completed in 2017, please visit www.ministryopportunities.org/PeraltaMemorial to enter your information for your 2018 background check. Within about 48 hours you will receive an e-mail invitation to participate in the online training. If you choose not to do the online training, you must attend one of the in-person trainings listed above. Also, if your background check was completed in 2017, you must still attend an in-person training in 2018 or contact the church office and we will e-mail you a link for the 2018 online training.

This year we are also asking all volunteers to complete a volunteer application form and a covenant form. We will provide copies of these forms at the in-person trainings, and we can mail or e-mail you copies of these forms to complete if you do the training online.

Thank you for giving your time and energy to help make Peralta Memorial UMC truly a safe place for our young people as well and a place where people feel safe teaching and leading children's and youth activities.

Your Safe Sanctuaries Committee: Jennifer York, David Madara, Jerry Thompson, Melodie Huff, Marlow Frasier, Bernice Hughes, Shawnda Lumpkin



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		May 1st 9 am – Crafty Ladies, Fell Hall & Kitchen 1 pm –Huddle, Conf Room 4 pm Tai Ji, #203 4:45 – Fitness, Auditorium 5:30 – Tai Chi, #203	2 9 am – Crafty Ladies, Fell Hall & Kitchen 1-3, window project in NW portable 4:30 – Fitness #203 6 pm Bible, #101 6 pm – Girl Scouts, Ed. Bldg. 6 pm – GriefShare #103 6 pm Praise Team 7 pm Choir	3 9 am Exercise, FH 10:30– Tai Chi, FH 12:15 – Tai Ji, FH 4:30 – Fitness #203 6 pm, Cub Leaders' mtg, Ed Bldg. 6 – Scripture Sisters, Fell Hall 6:30 – Love, Live, Laugh, Conf Room	4 8:30 – Huddle #101 4:30 – Fitness #203 6:30 - EMMAUS, Fell Hall & Kitchen	5 Rummage Sale – 8 am to 2 pm 1-3, window project in NW portable Auditorium reserved -- Cub Scouts 4-8 pm
6 8:30 Worship 9:45 – Sunday School UMW Bake Sale 11:00 – Worship UMW Bake Sale 12:15 – Youth LT mtg, FH 12:15 – New Member Class, Conf Room 6 pm – AfterShock Youth	7 10 am Food Pantry, Auditorium set up 1 pm, NMSU class Fitness, 4:30 #203 6 pm – Huddle #103 6 pm Emmaus, #101, 6 pm Cub Scouts, Ed Bldg. (end) 6:15-Boy Scouts	8 9 am-NMSU cook class, Auditorium UMW/Mary Circle, 9:30 am, Fell Hall 1 pm- Huddle, CR 4 - Tai Ji Fell Hall 4:30 – Fitness, #203 5:30 – Tai Chi, FH 6:30 – Trustees #202	9 4:30 – Fitness #203 6 pm Girl Scouts, Ed Bldg 6 pm Bible #101 6 pm- Praise Team 7 pm - Choir	10 9 am Exercise, F H 10:30 – Tai Chi, F H 12:15 – Tai Ji, FH 4:30 – Fitness #203 6 pm – Worship #101 6 pm Scripture Sisters, Fell Hall 6:30 – L.L.L. Conf Rm 7 pm – SPRC #103	11 8:30 – Huddle #101 10 am – Sisterhood, #103 4:30 – Fitness #203 6:30 – Safe Sanctuaries, Conf Rm	12 9 am – Safe Sanctuaries, Conf Room 10:30 am – Threads of Love, Fell Hall
13 – Mother's Day 7 am – UMM Men's Breakfast, Fell Hall 8:30 – Worship 9:45 – Sunday School 11 am – Worship 12:15 – New Member Class; Conf Room Sanctuary reserved from 2-5 pm – Recital 6 pm - AfterShock	14 9:30 – Soul #103 10 am Food Pantry 4:30 – Fitness, #203 6 pm – Huddle #103 6 pm Emmaus #101 6 pm – Boy Scouts, Auditorium 6:30 pm – Finance meeting, #103	15 1:00-Huddle, CR 4 - Tai Ji , FH 4:30 –Fitness #203 5:30 – Tai Chi, FH, 6 pm – Tea Meeting, Fell Hall	16 1-3, window project in NW portable 1 pm Auditorium set up, NMSU class 4:30 – Fitness #203 6 pm Girl Scouts, Ed Bldg. 6 Bible Study #101 6 GriefShare, #103 6 pm – Praise Team 7 pm - Choir	17 9 am Exercise, FH 9 am NMSU cooking class, Auditorium 10:30 – Tai Chi, FH 12:15 -Tai Ji, FH, 4:30 Fitness #203 6 pm Scripture Sisters, Fell Hall 6:30, L.L.L. #101 6:30 – Ad Council, Conf Rm	18 No Huddle 4:30 – Fitness #203	19 1-3, window project in NW portable
20 8:30 – Worship 9:45 – Sunday School 11:00 – Worship Food Pantry Open House 12:15 – VBS meeting, FH 6 pm AfterShock	21 10 am Food Pantry, 4:30 – Fitness, #203 6 pm Emmaus #101 6 pm-Huddle #103 6 pm - Boy Scouts Ed Bldg.	22 1:00-Huddle, CR 4 - Tai Ji , FH 4:30 –Fitness #203 5:30 – Tai Chi, FH	23 4:30 – Fitness #203 6 pm Girl Scouts, Ed Bldg (end) 6 pm Bible #101 6 pm Praise Team 7 pm Choir	24 9 am Exercise, FH 10:30, Tai Chi, F H 12:15 -Tai Ji, FH, 4:30 Fitness #203 6 pm Scripture Sisters, Fell Hall 6:30, L.L.L. Conf Room	25 8:30 – Huddle #101 10 –Sisterhood, #103 4:30 – Fitness #203	26 Blood Drive, Auditorium 9 am to 12 noon
27 7 am – UMM Men's Breakfast, Fell Hall 8:30 – Worship 9:45 – Sunday School 11 am – Worship No- AfterShock	28-Memorial Day Office closed today 9:30 am Soul #103 10 am Food Pantry, 4:30 – Fitness, #203 6- Emmaus #101 ?? No Huddle No Boy Scouts	29 1:00-Huddle, C.R. 1 pm – Auditorium set up Wed/Thurs. 4 pm Tai Ji, Fell Hall 4:30 –Fitness #203 5:30 – Tai Chi, FH (end) 6 pm Tea Mtg ?	30 7-5 – Auditorium reserved, Wellness Council 4:30 – Fitness #203 6 pm Bible #101 6 pm- Praise Team 7 pm - Choir	31 7-5 – Auditorium reserved, Wellness Council 9 am Exercise, FH 10:30, Tai Chi Health 12:15 -Tai Ji, FH, 4:30 Fitness #203 6 pm Scripture Sisters, Fell Hall 6:30 – L.L.L. Conf Rm	June 1 8:30 – Huddle #101 4:30 – Fitness #203 6:30 – EMMAUS, Fell Hall & Kitchen	June 2 10 am –Safe Sanctuaries training, Conf Room

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