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We Serve Christ So All Will Follow Him

GLORIFYING GOD

My mind is so busy today that I feel like I have writer's block. One of my solutions is what I call the "Bible Toss." Well, I don't exactly toss the Bible, but I do set it up on its binding and let it fall open. I always find it interesting what God has to say, and I believe that the Bible is a living book; the Bible reads us while we read it. Here is today's open page:

"Beware of your friends; do not trust your brothers.
For every brother is a deceiver, and every friend a slanderer.
Friend deceives friend, and no one speaks the truth.
They have taught their tongues to lie; they weary themselves with sinning.
You live in the midst of deception. In their deceit they refuse to acknowledge me," declares the Lord.
(Jeremiah 9:4-6).

My, oh my. Does this sound at all like the current world we live in? Do you feel like you are surrounded by deception and lies? Do you know people who run themselves to exhaustion and harm with their sins? Is there an underlying sense of distrust in our society? Have our current leaders and our potential future leaders cast aside God with their actions, even if they proclaim God with their lips?

God spoke the Scripture above through the prophet Jeremiah in about 600 BC. God was not describing the United States but the Kingdom of Judah, which included the city of Jerusalem. Many of the people of Judah were descendants of God's chosen people – the Israelites – and they lived in the Promised Land. Even so, their disregard for God was evident in their conduct. Foreign nations invaded Judah soon after Jeremiah's warning, sending the people into exile.

No country is immune from the consequences of its actions. Regardless of a country's history, what happened in the Kingdom of Judah can easily happen again, anywhere in the world, anytime.

People of Peralta Memorial UMC, may we continue to be a people and place of honesty, integrity, service, and most of all, people of God. May we acknowledge and glorify God in our words and actions as distrust permeates the world around us. It is my privilege to serve here. My guess is that the voice and witness of this church will grow increasingly countercultural, as the political and social climate around us resembles Judah in its last years more and more. May we honor God as we proclaim that all people are children of God, of sacred worth, and as we demonstrate grace, love, hope, peace, and accountability not just with our words but through our lives. THIS IS GOD'S HOUSE.

With gratitude,
Pastor David

IMPORTANT NOTICE

A called Church Conference will be held on Sunday, June 12th at 12 noon in the Sanctuary (immediately following the 2nd service) to hear about, discuss, and vote on a proposal from the Trustees regarding new church development at Peralta Memorial UMC. (see article later in this newsletter).

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Vote will be by secret ballot of the church members.

You may check the membership list available on Sunday morning if you have question about your membership in the records of the church.



The FLOCK, Families Looking Over Christ's Kids, would like to thank the church family for supporting the fundraisers we have had throughout the year.

We raised enough to send the kids to camp! WOO HOO!

Keep your eyes out this fall for our next fundraiser!

BLOOD DRIVE - JUNE 25TH

from 9:00 am to 12 noon in the Auditorium

For your convenience, you may log onto the United Blood

Services website and schedule an appointment. But
you're welcome to come in on the day of the drive, too.

Blood donations that weekend are especially critical as it

preceds the 4th of July holiday, and a time that blood is greatly needed. THANKS for helping to save a life!!!



Crafty Ladies ...

Our next meeting days are Tuesday, June 7 and Wednesday, June 8 from 9:00 am to about 2 pm

in Fellowship Hall

Please join us — we'd love to have you craft, fellowship and even have lunch with us!!

We are looking for donations of the following items: gallon cans, 8 oz. jelly jars, and remnants of special, fancy fabric, such as velvet or brocade. Please bring donations to the church directly to us on meeting days. We thank you! For more information call Lois Meadors at 865-6791, Kelley Green at 865-6975 or the church office, 865-9334.



AfterShock

The month of June will be BUSY, BUSY, BUSY!!!

The Youth Group started off the summer vacation enjoying a camping trip at Fenton Lake. Then, there is much preparation as we look forward to helping with our own "Cave Quest" Vacation Bible School from June 20-24. The following week, we'll take off on our Mission Trip to Cimarron to host Vacation Bible School at the Methodist Church there.

Plus, several youth members will be attending summer camp at Sacramento, NM.

As always, the AfterShock Youth Group thanks and appreciates all the support they receive from the congregation of this church.

Friendship Tea & Fashion Show To benefit the Abundant Grace Free Store



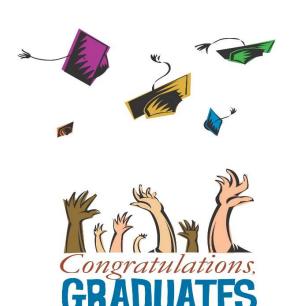
The Free Store Friendship Tea is coming up on Saturday, June 4th, 2016 from 2 to 4 pm!

There are 40 tickets remaining!

The afternoon promises to be delightful with an amazing menu and the fashion show.

Contact Genevieve at the church office or Diana Galey at 350-0919 to purchase tickets.

Only \$ 10.00!!!



HIGH SCHOOL

Chris Broekstra – S.O.D.A. Felina Martinez – S.O.D.A. Jeannie Schroth – Valencia H.S. Luke Rindels – Valencia H.S. Mattea Demick – Home School

College:

Kendall Platt, BS from NMSU in Agricultural Education
Jessica Buckner, Associate's Degree in Business from UNM-Valencia
(will continue studies at ENMU)

Prayers for each of you as you begin your new adventures, from Your Peralta Memorial UMC Family





Thank you, Heavenly Father, for your words to us everyday...not just on the upcoming third Sunday of June.

Please be in prayer for each of these on 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 Lynn Schultz Erma Ward Mike Heppler Karel & Martha Pekarek Don & Peggy Gleichman Dorothy Marta Conrad Joseph Hughes-Faganello Mari West **Cure for Cancer** J'Amy Creel **Eva Timmons** Jim Kubisak Janette Baughman Jim & Melba Derossett **Larry Hardy** Joleen Baughman Karen Fastnacht Nate Meyer USA Leaders **Larry Huff** Michael Garrison Terry & Cheryl Huber Lori Buvinghausen Our Freedom Richard & Linda Darnell Anne Cassidy-Vigil **All Caregivers** All military & their families Randy Ward Mike Romero Bill Lynch Debbie Hester-Rael



The Sunday School class led by Bill Killough and meeting in #204 on Sunday mornings at 9:45 am will begin a new book "Revival" by Adam Hamilton, on June 12th.

John Wesley's message and his faith continue to speak to 21st-century Christians – calling for a revival of our hearts and souls so that our world might be changed. Join the author, Adam, for a journey to England, through Wesley's land, life, ministry and teachings. Wesley's story is our story --- defining our faith and challenging us to rediscover our spiritual passion.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 'Cave Quest' June 20th-24th 9 am-12 noon

Send your kids on an over-the-top underground adventure!

At Cave Quest VBS, kids explore the rock-solid foundation of Jesus' love. Cave Quest VBS is filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, touch, and even taste! Sciency-Fun GizmosTM, team-building games, cool Bible songs, and tasty treats are just a few of the standout activities that help faith flow into real life. Plus, we'll help kids discover how to see evidence of God in everyday life—something we call God Sightings. Get ready to hear *that* phrase a lot!

Call Shawnda at (505) 306-5551 or Genevieve at (505) 865-9334 to register your children for this life-changing adventure or register online at www.peraltamethodist.org!

REMEMBER THE AUBREY NOTMAN LIBRARY IS OPEN BETWEEN SERVICES ON SUNDAY AND IS AVAILABLE AT ANY TIME (by coordinating with the church office, please)!



Our collection keeps growing and we have even purchased the books on the UMW 2016 list! Why not return overdue books if you have any and check out what is new!

Aubrey Notman Memorial Library

Contact Marianne Lynch at 620-7418 or the church office at 865-9334.



Free tutoring by qualified, professional teachers Friday mornings.

Scheduled, one-hour individualized sessions begin at 9 am, then continue at 10 am and 11 am, in Fellowship Hall. Tutoring will be for six weeks beginning June 3 and breaking for Vacation Bible School and the 4th of July weekend.

This is available to anyone in the community. Call Mrs. Chris Knox at 865-7864 or Gayle Stayton at 866-1609 to reserve a place for your child.

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Mary Circle/United Methodist Women will meet again on Tuesday, June 14, at 9:30 AM in Fellowship Hall.

We'd love to have you pray, learn, fellowship and reach out with us! Barbara Springer will serve as hostess and will also present the program "The Face of Peace." We have heard from our Compassion child, Tomas, and will be writing a joint letter in response.

The vision statement of UMW is "Turning faith, hope, and love into action on behalf of women, children and youth around the world." Don't you think this is a mission worth your time and effort? Please join us on the second Tuesday of the month.

Our bake sale was more successful than we could ever have imagined. A hearty thanks to all who participated and supported it! For more information call Chris Knox at 865-7864, or the church office.





Leon Rael, our faithful **VOLUNTEER** hand bell choir director will be traveling to Baylor University for the Alleluia Conference in July. The estimated cost of the trip is \$1500 which includes conference registration, hotel, flight and rental car. The \$300 registration fee has already been covered by the music budget, but we still have about \$1200 to go.

I had the opportunity to attend this conference about 3 years ago and it was a wonderful time of spiritual refreshment. It also helped to remind me why I do what I do. Sometimes we can get bogged down with all that ministry requires and we need to get our spiritual batteries recharged. I have encouraged Leon to attend in hopes that he will have the same experience that I did.

I am taking this opportunity to ask the church congregation to donate to Leon's trip, if led to do so. This should not take the place of your regular tithes and offerings, but should be a special offering labeled "Alleluia Conference". Donations can be put in offering plate.

Leon has served faithfully for many years and has never asked for anything. Oh yes! And did I mention that he's a **VOLUNTEER**??? We do so much for the people in our community and those outside of our church walls. Let's take this opportunity to be a blessing to someone "inside" our church walls. I know that he will be blessed, and in turn our congregation will be blessed! Thank you!

Handbell Choir

Heather Rindels

Hymn History

"What A Friend We Have in Jesus"-1855



"The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:6-7

Joseph Scriven watched in shock as the body of his fiancée' was pulled from the lake. Their wedding had been planned for the next day. Reeling from the tragedy, he made up his mind to immigrate to America. Packing up his belongings in Dublin, Ireland, he sailed for Canada, leaving his mother behind. He was about 25 years old.

Ten years later, in 1855, he received word that his mother was facing a crisis. Joseph wrote this poem and sent it to her. Mrs. Scriven evidently gave a copy to a friend who had it published anonymously, and it quickly became a popular hymn, tough no one knew who had written it. Meanwhile, Joseph fell in love again, but tragedy struck a second time when his bride, Eliza Catherine Roche, contracted tuberculosis and died in 1860 before their wedding could take place.

To escape his sorrow, Joseph poured himself into ministry, doing charity work for the Plymouth Brethren and preaching among the Baptists. He lived a simple, obscure life in Port Hope, Canada, cutting firewood for widows, giving away his clothes and money to those in need. He was described as "a man of short stature, with iron-gray hair, close-cropped beard, and light blue eyes that sparkled when he talked." Ira Sankey later wrote:

Until a short time before his death it was not known that he had a poetic gift. A neighbor, sitting up with him in his illness, happened upon a manuscript copy of "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." Reading it with great delight and questioning Mr. Scriven about it, he said that he had composed it for his mother, to comfort her in a time of special sorrow, not intending that anyone else should see it. Some time later, when another Port Hope neighbor asked him if it was true he composed the hymn, he reply was, "The Lord and I did it between us."

On October 10, 1896, Joseph became critically ill. In his delirium, he rose from his bed and staggered outdoors, where he fell into a small creek and drowned at age 66. His grave was arranged so that his feet were opposite those of his lost love, Eliza Catherine Roche, that at the resurrection they might arise facing one another.

(Story taken from Then Sings My Soul, by Robert J. Morgan.)



LOGOS NEWS



With our first year of LOGOS over and all of us taking a much needed rest, we are also getting excited for our second year of LOGOS to begin this Fall.

THANK YOU

First we would like to take a minute to thank our Congregation for their outpouring of support and prayers during our first year of LOGOS. From prayers, to supplies, to food, to volunteers, the Lord's ministry in LOGOS was a huge success and we couldn't have done it without your support. So from the bottom of our hearts, we THANK YOU!!!

LOGOS TRAINING DAY

We will begin gearing up to plan for LOGOS training which will take place in August or September this year and is an annual and mandatory event. All staff in LOGOS must attend the annual training. It is an important piece to ensuring that the Lord's work in LOGOS is accomplished according to the principles and guidelines of the LOGOS Ministry as well as, equipping each of our LOGOS staff with the tools they need to be successful. We are going to do it a little differently this year, however, and focus more on each of the four sessions of LOGOS, i.e. Bible Study, Family Time, Recreation and Worship Skills so that all who are volunteering in LOGOS have a more well-rounded training on their individual area of ministry.

It is a lot of fun, so if you are considering joining the LOGOS ministry, watch for updates as to when and where the training will be taking place.

WHERE WE NEED YOUR HELP

We were desperately short on assistants in all areas this year in LOGOS, so please be praying about that; you could assist in Bible Study, Worship Skills, Recreation and Pre-School. We will also be in need of a couple more sets of Table Parents this year. Being an assistant in LOGOS is a great way to get your feet wet, but not have to be in charge, so please, please pray about this to see if you might be called to assist in one of these areas.

Remember, God does not call the equipped....He equips the called. That is another reason why we offer an annual training day so that you do not feel you are walking into something you know nothing about.

Many blessings to each of you from the LOGOS Ministry Team. Have a happy and safe summer.

Julieanne Frasier, Director

Robyn Albani, Co-Director



June 2 - Lisa Sams June 4 - Paul Smith June 5 - Robyn Albani June 8 - Melissa Madara June 8 - Ramina Proctor June 9 - Richard Darnell June 9 - Bob Seidel June 11 - John Newton June 12 - Peggy Shoemaker June 16 - Shawnda Lumpkin June 16 - Justin Martinez June 17 - Shawna Buckner June 17 - Felina Martinez June 22 - Thomas Stegall June 23 - Michelle Smith June 26 - Jamey Cook June 27 - Gayle Stayton June 30 - Bruce Peasley

June 1 – Monte & Lana Fastnacht

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June 2 – Justin & Jasmine Martinez

June 4 – Jay & Marilyn Smith, Jr.

June 9 – Ted & Cynthia Van Curen

June 10 – Bob & Rena Hampton

June 13 – C.J. & Erica Kinnikin

June 14 – Ryan & Diana Galey

June 15 – Pete & Susi Broekstra

June 18 - Trent & Breanne Green

June 19 - Grant & Connie Irwin

June 29 – Leon Rael & Debbie Hester-Rael

June 29 – Chris & Kim Blaine



Proposed new Pantry Building

You might have heard rumors that the church is planning on buying or building a new building specifically for the use of the Pantry Mission. That much is true but there is so much more to this than just the Pantry Mission.

This idea came up first due to several requests for more space for other groups, specifically the scouts and nursery. Both needed more space. You also know that we recently became the sponsor for another troop of boy scouts so now we have two Scout troops and one Girl Scout troop. They use the Education Bldg. rooms for meetings. The nursery was feeling the pinch for more room, partly due to the success of the LOGOS program. As I started looking for rooms to accommodate these needs I realized that the Pantry was using a lot of space in the Education Bldg. and the Community Bldg. that was never intended to be part of the Pantry Mission.

The Pantry started many years ago and operated out of a closet in the Education Bldg. That closet is still there but the Pantry needs grew and it was moved to one of the smaller Sunday School classrooms. That was several years ago, actually before I moved here and Pastor Blackwell put me to work in the Pantry program. It wasn't but a couple of years after that when the Pantry leaders once again realized we needed a bigger space. So we moved the Pantry ops to a larger classroom, but still just one room. That didn't work for long as more food was passing through and more people were coming to the pantry for food. We then added one more SS classroom, not in use at the time, as a storage room. Even that would not hold all the food that was coming in from Road Runner Food Bank and Smith's Foods as well as other donations. So the Trustees went looking for storage space. The Trustees more or less created that additional space by squeezing the table/chairs storage in the Community Bldg. closer together and put up a wall behind that to store food. Now we are at the present. But if the pantry mission expands any more we don't have any more space to allow it to grow.

In addition to the Pantry using all this space, the Trustees noted that our LOGOS program is using a classroom in the Community Bldg. for storage because there is "no more room in the inn". As we analyzed all this, one solution was identified; build another new building!

As we explored options, we found out that our Los Lunas School district has used-portable classrooms that they no longer need and expect to put up for sale soon. As we compared the cost and complexity of building a new building compared to acquiring a couple of the portables it became apparent that we should first try to get two portables to support the needs of the Pantry Mission and be able to move all pantry operations to the classrooms.

You should know by now that the Ad Council has approved of calling a Church conference to bring all the facts to the congregation. If approved, your Board of Trustees will try to buy two portables, -- used but in very good condition, for the church and put them in the field west of the Community Bldg.

Jack Stayton Chairman, Board of Trustees, PMUMC



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
May 29 th ONE WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10 AM Followed by a 5 th Sunday Fellowship Potluck in Auditorium No Bells No – Youth Band No – AfterShock Youth group	May 30 MEMORIAL +DAY+ Holiday-office is closed FOOD PANTRY IS OPEN 10 AM TO 12:30 PM Emmaus, 6:30, #101??	May 31 Finance mtg. #103, 6:30 pm	1 5:30-9 pm – Baking in Ed bldg & Comm Bldg Kitchens 6 pm – Bible Study, #101 No Praise Team No Choir	Exercise, FH, 9 am 5:30-9 pm – Baking in Ed bldg & Comm Bldg Kitchens 6:30 – First Place, Conf Room 6:30–GriefShare #103 6:30 – Common Ground, #204 6:45-8:45 – Boy Scouts, Ed. Bldg.	Tutoring, Fell Hall 9 am to 12 noon Auditorium, Kitchen, Conf Room reserved 9 am until 6/4 EMMAUS, 6:30, Fell Hall & Kitchen	FRIENDSHIP TEA 2:00-4:00 pm Auditorium, Doors open at 1:30 pm	
5 8:30 – Worship 9:45 – Sunday School 11:00 – Worship 12:15 – Youth LT, F.H. 12:30- Conf Rm reserved 4 pm – Bells 5 pm Youth Praise Band 6 pm AfterShock Youth	6 Food Pantry, 10 am to 12:30 (9-1) Emmaus #101, 6:30 Stewardship Meeting, 6:30, #103	7 RRFB food delivery Crafty Ladies, Fell Hall, 9 am to 2 pm 6-7:30 – Study, #203 Trustees, #201, 6:30 pm	R Crafty Ladies, Fell Hall, 9 am -2 pm 6 pm – Praise Team 6 pm Bible Study #101 7:00 - Choir	Exercise, FH, 9 am Worship mtg, 6 pm #101 6:30 – First Place, Conf Rm 6:30–GriefShare #103 6:45-8:45 – Boy Scouts, Ed. Bldg. SPRC, #104, 7 pm	Tutoring, Fell Hall 9 am to 12 noon	11 Safe Sanctuaries, Conf Room 9:00 to 11:00 am Threads of Love, Fell Hall-10:30 am	
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19 - FATHER'S DAY 8:30-Worship 9:45-Sunday School 11:00 - Worship 4:00 - Bell Choir No Youth Praise No AfterShock Youth	VBS 9-12 No Food Pantry Presbyterian Health, 1 pm, Fell Hall	21 VBS 9-12 6-7:30 – Study, #203	VBS 9-12 Deadline for July newsletter info 6 pm Praise Team 6-8 Bible Study, #101 7 pm Choir	VBS 9-12 6:30 First Place, Conf Rm 6:30 GriefShare #103 No Boy Scouts	24 VBS 9-12	25 BLOOD DRIVE, Auditorium 9-12 (reserved 7-1)	
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