

Peralta Memorial United Methodist Church

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Going Beyond Our Walls to Build God's Kingdom

MOVING ALONG

As announced in worship on Sunday, March 26th, my family and I are moving from Peralta this June. The good news is I still have a couple months with you all to help prepare for your new pastor. We are moving to Pennsylvania. I have accepted a position as a chaplain resident in the Clinical Pastoral Education program at WellSpan York Hospital in York, PA starting in August 2019. My wife, Melissa, is awaiting an appointment to serve as the pastor of a United Methodist Church in Pennsylvania. What exactly will I be doing? Read below.

Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) is a disciplined, formational ministry training process that usually takes place in a hospital setting. Under the supervision of a certified CPE educator, participants in a CPE group (usually 4-8 people) perform chaplain work with hospital patients and staff, learn about pastoral care in a classroom setting, and critique and cajole each other with deliberately pointed feedback during interpersonal relationship seminars that explore group dynamics. I completed a CPE internship, a one-semester session, at the University of North Carolina Hospital in Chapel Hill while I was in seminary. My next step in the CPE process is the one-year residency. After the one-year residency usually comes employment as a professional chaplain, and then if desired a residency lasting two to four years to become a certified CPE educator.

My dad, who lives in Upstate New York, currently has no close family within a day's drive. My grandmother in Pennsylvania died this past May and my mom died a few years ago. I'm his only child and Samuel and Julia are his only grandchildren. Melissa's mom and twin half-brothers have also moved from Santa Fe to Denver and now to Southern Ohio. Therefore, this move really makes sense. I'll be about three hours away from my dad by car, and Melissa will be within driving distance of her mom, too.

My heart is full of gratitude for the time we have shared together at Peralta. I will always remember this church fondly. You have been there for Samuel's adoption and Julia's birth. We've struggled together, succeeded together, and served God together. We've transformed lives in our community together. We will dearly miss you all, and we wish you the very best. May God richly bless each of you and Peralta Memorial UMC.

**Yours truly,
Pastor David**



On Thursday April 4th at 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary, our Administrative Council will be holding an informational meeting open to everyone. The purpose of the meeting is to provide information about the outcome of the special called General Conference of the United Methodist Church to address the issue of sexual orientation in the church.

The General Conference was held in late February, and here is a brief summary of the outcomes:

- 1) ALL people are welcome in the United Methodist Church regardless of race, gender, class, age, sexual orientation, etc. This has not changed and will not change. We are all made by God and we are all children of God.
- 2) The General Conference reaffirmed the rule that United Methodist pastors may not be in a same-sex relationship. Additionally, the General Conference increased penalties for pastors and bishops who break this rule.
- 3) The General Conference reaffirmed the rule that United Methodist churches and pastors may not host or perform same-sex weddings. The General Conference also increased penalties for pastors and churches that break this rule.
- 4) The General Conference approved the "Taylor Exit Plan" with the goal of allowing churches that dissent the ability to leave the denomination with their property. Under this plan, two-thirds of a church's members must approve the exit from the denomination. Departing churches would have to consult with the district superintendent, pay unfunded pension liabilities, and pay the prior year and future year's shared ministries in full, along with other requirements.
- 5) The General Conference voted to send all legislative changes to the Judicial Council, the United Methodist version of the Supreme Court, for review. All rule changes made at the General Conference must be in agreement with the church constitution, which can be found in the first section of the United Methodist *Book of Discipline*. The Judicial Council will meet in late April and we will know more about the effects of the legislation passed at General Conference after the Judicial Council meets.

The Administrative Council does not believe that our church needs to take any special action at this time related to the outcome of this General Conference. We offer this meeting as a chance for you to learn more details and ask any questions you may have.

For the most current information, visit the United Methodist Church website at www.umc.org.

We also acknowledge that our church is not of one mind regarding sexual orientation and faithful Christianity. We ask for all discussion to be kind and respectful.

We look forward to seeing you on April 4th.



Favorable blessings and baskets of "Thank You's" to all who helped with our annual Easter morning event for the children! We could not have done this without you. You make such a positive difference for the children of our Church!

Love in Christ, Children's Ministries

HOLY WEEK



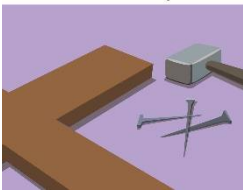
April 14th – 8:30 and 11:00 am
Worship – Communion
Stained Window Dedication & Reception



MAUNDY
THURSDAY

Thursday, April 18th
7:00 pm
Commemoration of Last Supper
Foot Washing

GOOD
Friday



Friday, April 19th
Remembrance of Christ's crucifixion
7:00 pm



Jesus is Risen!!!
Sunday, April 21st
Worship at 6:30 am

He Is
RISEN
INDEED!



Resurrection Day
Praise & worship
8:30 & 11:00 am

Egg Hunt – 10 am
for Children



April 1 – Bill Lansdell
April 4 – Renee Garcia
April 4 – Emmitt Bland, Jr.
April 6 – Jan Mitchell
April 14 – Melba Derosssett
April 14 – Austin Kelly-Karney
April 15 – Samuel Madara
April 16 – Valerie Hernandez
April 17 – Rylan Green
April 18 – Barbara Springer
April 18 – Makayla Christopher
April 19 – Ryan Honeyfield
April 19 – Oliver Hemphill
April 20 – Mike Hinders
April 21 – Karen Bonanno
April 21 – Nick Christopher
April 21 – Autumn Valigura
April 22 – Marietta Wright
April 23 – Shelby Eubank
April 29 – Margrace Grotefend
April 30 – Bruce Walters



*April 2 – John & Beth Santzer
April 14 – Bill & Margrace Grotefend
April 20 – Walt & Eva Timmons
April 21 – Jerry & Patti Thompson
April 22 – Steve & Angie Davis
April 23 – Bruce & April Peasley
April 27 – Gilbert & Carole Row*

AFTERSHOCK

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



PILGRIMAGE TO TOME on Good Friday April 19. The Aftershock youth will be *locking-in* on Thursday April 18 right after the Maundy Thursday service, or about 8pm for some fun, games and snacks. We will make a little bit of an early night as we get up early on Friday to make the trek from the church parking lot at 6am to Tome Hill which takes approx. 3 to 3 ½ hours. We will be walking down the ditch banks to avoid the heavy traffic and noise close to the roads. Everyone is invited to join us for this walk, it is a great time of fellowship and getting to know new people. Once we make it to the top of the hill, we engage the sights, people, and scenery of the event. Then we have some prayer and devotional time before we head down the hill to the home of the Platt's for our annual Good Friday brunch event. This is always a highlight of the day and we have some really scrumptious food and much needed refreshments. The bus will be there to transport everyone back to the church, (usually in two trips) and we make it back to the church about 12 to 1 pm. Please dress warm and in layers as it can be pretty chilly at 6am. Bring good walking shoes, a cap and sunscreen, as well as a snack for the road and some drinking water. We will have some snacks and water bottles available. Happy trails and we look forward to walking with you on Good Friday. Call Marlow if you have questions or concerns at 505-480-3621.

YOUTH LED SUNDAY APRIL 28

The Aftershock youth are planning a great youth led service on April 28 for both services. We will have some surprise guest speakers that will be a pleasure for you to see and hear. You won't want to miss this one so be prepared to be blessed.

VBS SPAGHETTI DINNER AND FAMILY DATE NIGHT Some of the youth will be selling tickets to this event and you can read more about it under the VBS article. This is not a youth event but many of the youth are assisting as VBS helpers and will be helping with this event as well. Your support is greatly appreciated and will help assure the success of this year's VBS.



We want to ask anyone interested in great fellowship and fun to come join us the first Tuesday and Wednesday of each month. Our meeting for April will be April 2nd and 3rd in the Fellowship Hall at 9:00 am.

We are looking for donations of pretty floral dinnerware in ceramic, porcelain or bone china. Odd pieces welcome, as we need cups, saucers, dinner plates and dessert plates. (No stoneware or pottery, though, it is too heavy for our purpose). We're also looking for white 5-gallon plastic buckets with lids (preferably no writing). If anyone drinks POM juice, we would

like your empty bottles. Bring donations on any of our meeting days, THANKS!!!



PRAYER WARRIORS



Because he bends
down to listen, I will
pray as long as I
have breath.

- Psalm 116:2

Would you like to be a partner in Prayer Warriors?

If so, please contact Ruth or the church office (numbers are listed below).

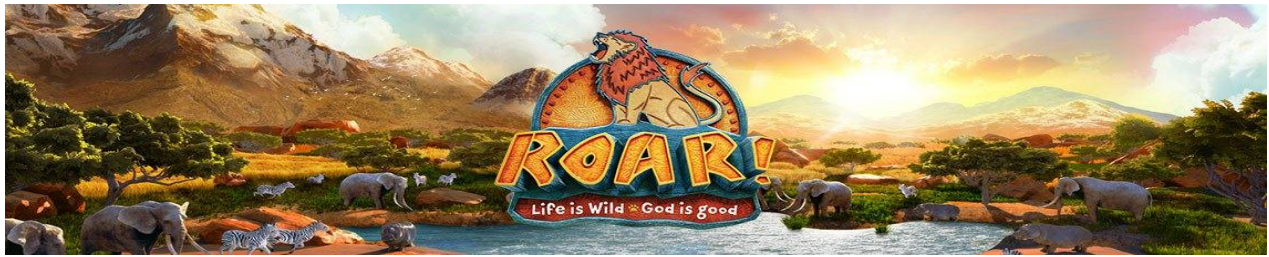
Please be in prayer for each of these in our continuing prayer list. If you know of anyone else who needs to be added, please call Ruth at 869-4842 or the church office, 865-9334.

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| Pastor David & Family | Valencia County Abundant Grace Free Store | Donna Duke | Mike & Ruth Romero |
| Lynn Plante | Lynn Schultz | Erma Ward | Mike Heppler |
| Karel & Martha Pekarek | Don & Peggy Gleichman | Sharon Ramirez | Dorothy Marta |
| Barb Mayer | Conrad Joseph Hughes-Faganello | Cure for Cancer | Eva Timmons |
| Jim Kubisak | Janette Baughman | Diego | Jim & Melba Derossett |
| Makayla B. Christopher | Joleen Baughman | Karen Fastnacht | Nate Meyer |
| Larry & Melodie Huff | Michael Garrison | Our Freedom | Richard & Linda Darnell |
| All Caregivers | Anne Cassidy-Vigil | All military & their families | Beth & Dennie Miller |
| Pauline Taylor | Ted & Madeleine George | Cassie Vigil-Otero | Chris Knox |
| | | | Bill Lynch |
| | | | Our Freedom |

As the months seem to fly by --- it is almost time for UMW/Mary Circle to meet again. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, April 9th at 9:30 am in Fellowship Hall. All lady members of our church are welcome to attend.

This month, our Hostess and Program presenters will be Dorothy Rose and Jane Reynolds. This will also be our Prayer and Self Denial Program. PLEASE...feel free to join this great group of ladies!!!





VBS Fundraiser Family Date Night



Friday, April 12, 2019 from: 6:00-9:00 PM

11 and Up -- \$5.00 per plate --- 10 and Under -- \$3.50 per plate

Youth-age VBS helpers have tickets available.

A Christian Movie will be shown in the Sanctuary
and board games will be available in the Auditorium.

Come enjoy a fun evening – and help support VBS! THANK YOU!!!!

PMUMC VBS will be held: June 17-21, 2019

Ages 4-11 (6th Grade)

We are in desperate need of helpers and commitments!!!

Please contact Shawnda Lumpkin @ 505-306-5551 or slumpkin@lsschools.net.

Everyone that helps with VBS needs to be Safe Sanctuaries Trained: See info in this newsletter

Youth helpers with VBS will have their own youth safety orientation:

June 9th during Youth Group/June 16th during Sunday School

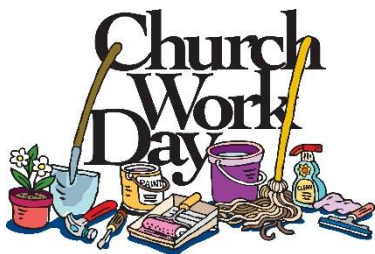


On Sunday -- April 7th

at 8:30 am and 11:00 am

Young At Heart Choir will present some
of their favorite songs, including songs
from their CD "Gospel Time"

Invite others to attend so they may also enjoy this special time
of music and worship.



SPRING CLEAN UP SATURDAY – APRIL 13, 2019

Trustees will have a Spring Clean-up Work Day on April 13, 2019.

At PMUMC we are blessed to have a church campus that is accommodating and inviting. **Trustees would like to invite the entire congregation to come out and support** our Spring Clean-up starting at 8:30 AM on April 13, 2019.

We will work together in fellowship to give our Church that fresh Spring look in preparation for the Easter season services. Trustees will host a Hamburger and Hot Dog Pot Luck lunch at noon and finally wrap things up at 3:00 PM with an Ice Cream Social. We will need you to wear your work clothes, bring rakes, shovels and gloves. Trustees will provide the Hamburgers and Hot Dogs and **we would appreciate Potluck donations of side dishes and drinks**. Trustees will be providing store bought Ice Cream at the end of the day, but if you feel the calling to bring some homemade churned ice cream – it's always welcome.

For more information and donation coordination call Richard Timmons – 505-730-7334 or the church office at 505-865-9334.



God's Special Time

A BIG THANK YOU!!

This is a **THANK YOU** from the church's current **KAIROS** staff. Many prayers, cash support and homemade cookies went with us recently, while we spent the better part of four days with the inmates at the Grants women's prison.

KAIROS is a Christian-based prison ministry that addresses the spiritual needs of inmates. After four training days, a background check and a volunteer ID, I made my first trip to the Grants prison with Brenda and Micky mentoring me. It was an eye-opening event. So many of the women there are starved for any kind of 'outside' human contact. The Lord and Christianity are difficult to find there.

The ladies greatly appreciated the fellowship, 'outside' food, and the word of Christ. It was exhausting and heartbreaking, but we'll be back to see them and to follow up on their ability to create their own worship group.

Again **THANK YOU** so much for your support. Patti Harris-Thompson



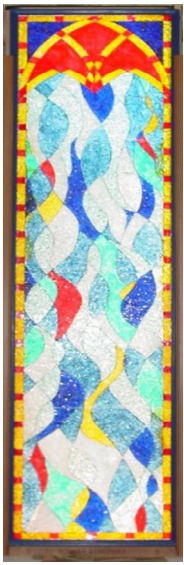
From the Safe Sanctuaries Task Force:

All staff, and any adults who work with children and youth at the Church are required to either attend a Safe Sanctuaries training session at the church, or take the online training/test **EACH** year. Background checks are completed every 2 years.

DEADLINE TO COMPLETE THE TRAINING is MAY 31ST.

The following dates are scheduled for the in-person training at the church:
Friday, April 5th - 6:30 pm; Saturday, April 6th - 9:00 am & Thursday, May 2nd - 6:30 pm.
All sessions will be held in the Conference Room.

If you'd like to take the online training/test (at a time convenient for you), please go to: <https://www.ministryopportunities.org/PeraltaMemorial>. You will complete the registration information and then you'll receive a link from "PROTECT MY MINISTRY" to allow you access to view the training and take the test. **Thank you to all those who work with our children and youth... for the time and care you give through the various meetings, events, ministries involving these young people.**



Dedication of the Sanctuary Art-Glass Windows **"A Tangible Expression of Worship for the Glory of God"**

*Join us at either 8:30 am or 11:00 am worship service
on Palm Sunday, April 14th.*

*A reception will be held in the Fellowship Hall between the services.
Everyone is cordially invited!!*

THANK YOU to the ***many people*** who worked on this project,
and all who made a donation for the windows.

TRUSTEES CORNER



What we do:

The Trustees are responsible for all the property owned by the Peralta Memorial United Methodist Church. This includes the church buildings, land, equipment, parsonage and school bus. Trustees maintain and improve the church property to ensure our ministry teams can be effective. Trustees have quite a few projects that need to be addressed and each month we will be updating the congregation on our planned activities as well as recapping the accomplishments of the previous month.

If you have a specific spiritual gift or a trade you would like to share, please let us know. The Trustees would like additional help!

Who we are:

Richard Timmons – Chair – 505-730-7334 – Timmons.rl@gmail.com

Jack Stayton
Bill Grotefend
Gilbert Row
Melodie Huff

Kelley Green
Charles Barnes
Butch West

Larry Huff
Ryan Galey
Joe Heppler

Activities for April:

Saturday April 6, 2019 – Building Maintenance – Safety and Security Systems, Mobile Home Repairs, Lights, Cameras, Build a Cross!






Tuesday April 9, 2019 – Trustees Meeting 6:30 PM Room 201 Community Building – Everyone is Welcome

Saturday April 13, 2019 - Spring Clean Up Day – Church help needed!!! -- Clean up Church property exterior and interior in preparation for Easter season services.

Saturday April 20, 2019 – Parsonage groundskeeping; Kitchen Equipment Maintenance

Saturday April 27, 2019 – Switch over of HVAC systems (weather permitting)

APRIL

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Food Pantry -10 am NMSU set up Auditorium after 12 1 – Tai Chi TCA, FH 2 – Yoga stretch, FH 3:15 – MBB, FH 4:30 – Fitness #203 5:30 – FPU, #201 6 – Emmaus #101 6- Cubs, Ed Bldg 7 – Boy Scouts	2 9-1 NMSU cooking class, Auditor. & K Crafty Ladies, Fell Hall & Kitchen 9-2 3:30 – Homework time, Conf Room 4 pm – Tai Ji Quan 4:30 – LOGOS 4:30– Fitness, #203	3 Crafty Ladies, Fell Hall & Kitchen 9-2 4:30 – Fitness #203 6 pm – Girl Scouts, Ed Bldg 6 pm – Bible #101 6 pm – Praise Team 7 pm - Choir	4 9 am, Exercise, FH 10:30 – Tai Chi TCA 12 noon – Tai Ji, FH 4:30 – Fitness, #203 6 – Cub Leaders, mtg Ed Bldg. 6:30 – Love, Live, Laugh, #101 6:30 pm – Church Information Meeting, Sanctuary	5 4:30 – Fitness #203 6:30 pm R.I.F.F. #104 6:30 – EMMAUS, Fell Hall & Kitchen Safe Sanctuaries Training, Conf Rm, 6:30-8 pm	6 Safe Sanctuaries Training, Conf Rm 9 am to 10:30
7 8:30 – Worship – Gospel music presented by “Young At Heart” Choir 9:45 – Sunday School 11 am – Worship Gospel music presented by “Young At Heart” Choir 5 pm – Handbell Choir 6 pm - AfterShock	8 9:30 – Soulkeepers, 10 Food Pantry 1 – Tai Chi TCA, FH 2 – Yoga stretch, FH 3:15 – MBB, FH 4:30 – Fitness #203 5:30 – FPU, #201 6 pm – 4H in Auditorium 6 – Emmaus #101 6 – Cub Scouts, Ed Bld 7:00 – Scouts, Ed Bld	9 9:30 am – UMW/Mary Circle, Fell Hall & Kitchen 3:30 – homework 4 - Tai Ji, Fell Hall 4:30– Fitness, #203 4:30 – LOGOS – last time this semester 6:30-8 – BSA order of Arrow mtg. FH 6:30 – Trustees mtg.	10 NMSU set up 7 am – cooking class 9-1 in Auditorium & K...then NMSU event 6-8:30 4:30 – Fitness #203 6 pm – Girl Scouts, Ed Bldg 6 Bible Study #101 6 pm Praise Team 7 pm Choir	11 9 am, Exercise, FH 10:30 – Tai Chi TCA 12 noon – Tai Ji, FH 4:30 – Fitness, #203 6 pm Worship meeting, #103 6:30 – Love, Live, Laugh, #101 (ending) 7 pm – SPRC meeting #104	12 Auditorium/Kitchen & Sanctuary reserved 4-10 for: VBS Fundraiser Family Date Night 6-9 pm 4:30 – Fitness #203 6:30- R.I.F.F. #104	13 10:30 am – Threads of Love, Fell Hall 8:30 am - CHURCH CLEAN UP DAY, including lunch and ice cream social!! 
14  7 am – UMM Breakfast, Comm. Bldg. 8:30 – Worship RECEPTION – Fell Hall 9:45 to 10:45 9:45 – Sunday School 11:00 – Worship 5 pm –Handbell Choir 6 pm - AfterShock	15 10 am Food Pantry 1 – Tai Chi TCA, FH 2 – Yoga stretch, FH 3:15 – MBB, FH 4:30 – Fitness #203 5:30 – FPU, #201 6 – Emmaus #101 6 pm Cub Scouts 6:30 – Finance committee, #104 7 pm Scouts, Ed Bld	16 NMSU set up Auditorium, 12 noon 4 - Tai Ji Quan II, FH 4:30– Fitness, #203	17 NMSU cooking class 9-1 – Auditorium & K 4:30 – Fitness #203 6 pm – Girl Scouts, Ed. Bldg. 6 pm Bible, #101 6 pm Praise Team 7 pm Choir	18  9 am, Exercise, FH 10:30 – Tai Chi TCA 12 noon – Tai Ji Quan Fell Hall 4:30 – Fitness, #203 7 pm – Worship Service, Sanctuary Youth Lock-In overnight	19  GOOD FRIDAY Walk to Tome Hill, depart 6 am from the church 4:30 Fitness, #204 6:30- R.I.F.F. #104 7 pm – Good Friday Service, Sanctuary	20 HOLY SATURDAY
21  6:30 – Sunrise Service 8:30 – Worship 9:45 – Sunday School 10:00 am – Egg Hunt 11 am – Worship 5 pm Handbell Choir No AfterShock Youth	22 9:30-Soulkeepers 10 am Food Pantry 1 – Tai Chi TCA, FH 2 – Yoga stretch, FH 3:15 –MBB, Fell Hall 4:30 – Fitness #203 5:30 –FPU, #201 end 6 pm Emmaus #101 No Cub Scouts 7 Boy Scouts, Ed Bld	23 NMSU set up Auditorium 12 noon 4 - Tai Ji Quan II, Fell Hall 4:30– Fitness, #203	24 NMSU cooking class, Auditorium & K, 9-1 4:30 – Fitness #203 6 pm – Girl Scouts, Ed. Bldg. 6 pm Bible, #101 6 pm Praise Team 7 pm Choir Newsletter deadline for May	25 9 am, Exercise, FH 10:30 – Tai Chi TCA 12 noon – Tai Ji Quan 4:30 – Fitness, #203	26 4:30 – Fitness #203 Fellowship Hall reserved, Girl Scout Unit (5-8:30 pm) 6:30- R.I.F.F. #104	27
28 8:30 Worship 9:45 – Sunday School 11:00 – Worship 5 pm-Handbell Choir 6 pm – AfterShock Youth	29 10 am Food Pantry 1 – Tai Chi TCA, FH 2 – Yoga stretch, FH 3:15 –MBB, Fell Hall 4:30 – Fitness #203 6 – Emmaus #101 6 – Cub Scouts 7 – Scouts, Ed Bldg	30 NMSU set up Auditorium 12 noon 4 - Tai Ji Quan II, Fell Hall 4:30– Fitness, #203	May 1 NMSU cooking class Auditorium & K 9-1 4:30 Fitness #203 6 – Bible #101 6 – Girl Scouts 6 – Praise Team 7 - Choir	May 2 9 am, Exercise, FH 10:30 – Tai Chi TCA 12 noon – Tai Ji Quan 4:30 – Fitness, #203 6 – Cub Leaders’ mtg, Ed Bldg 6:30 – Safe Sanctuaries Training, Conf Room	May 3 4:30 – Fitness #203 6:30 – R.I.F.F. #104 6:30 Emmaus, Fell Hall & Kitchen Auditorium set up 5 pm for Saturday	May 4 Auditorium reserved 8 am to 4 pm