

## Peralta Methodist Church

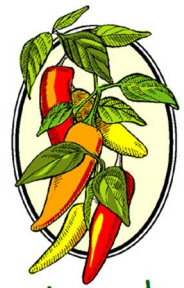
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September

### *Going Beyond Our Walls to Build God's Kingdom*

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**Dear Church Family & Friends,**

#### **Disappointment and Conflict --- a Part of Life**

Though I have known this, I suppose that each of us will have times of conflict, and times of disappointment in our lives. No matter who you are or what you do, there will come times when people disagree with you, or when people even come to dislike you. Some of you will be fired from your job, rejected by a mate, or lose friends. If you are a "people pleaser" these times will be particularly painful. Yet, when you are able to look over a lifetime of an individual or an organization (the Church), these are almost always pivotal experiences that have a profoundly positive impact in shaping the persons (or churches) we become. One can only appreciate those difficult times in hindsight, for when you are walking through them, they just seem painful. But, if you hold on to your faith, continue to trust in God, and invite the Holy Spirit to work through the disappointment and conflict, God uses these to sanctify you. I am reminded of James 1:2-4, "My brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of any kind, consider it nothing but joy, because you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance; and let endurance have its full effect, so that you may be mature and complete, lacking in nothing."

**Lessons from James on Living as Christians:** Join us on Sunday after service for our Bible Study (Room 204) as we explore three of the many themes in the New Testament Epistle of James. We will focus on the wisdom and tools you can use on your journey of faith looking at the Epistle of James. This is a 3 week study and has practical implications for every single one of us.

1. Consider it pure joy – Trials
2. Slip of a tongue – The Power of Words
3. Faith without Works.

**Thomas Merton**, the trappist monk and writer in the spiritual life said: "It is in the ordinary duties and labors of life that the Christian can and should develop his spiritual union with God." As the United States observes Labor Day, may we find meaning not simply in marking summer's end, but in celebrating the ways nearly "all duties and labors of life" can empower ministry and faith.

On Labor Day, may we find inspiration to make all our labors loving and faithful.

Grace & Peace,

Pastor Manish A. Shirly



## Sunday Morning Schedule

8:30 am – Worship Service

9:45 am – Sunday School

11:00 am – Worship Service

Worship  
Schedule  
Returns

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Friendship Tea -- September 16, at 1:30 pm

Tickets \$15.00--- are available

in the Church office or at the door.

Tea will be in the Auditorium and the  
Boutique in the Conference Room.



*Friendship Tea*



*Crafty Ladies*

The 44<sup>th</sup> Holiday Bazaar is getting CLOSER and CLOSER!!! Please join us to work on finalizing projects and plans. We'll meet on September 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> and also September 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.

The Bazaar will be November 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. We are seeking people to be a cashier, inventory re-stocker, help with set up team & take down team, packaging goodies, baker/candy maker. Please contact Kelley Green or Kaye Groves if interested – or come by on one of our workdays – enjoy the fellowship and lunch!!!

# AfterShock Youth

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

The Aftershock youth had a very exciting time camping at Vallecito Lake in Colorado and white water rafting down the Animas River in Durango. What a beautiful setting to relax and swim and kayak in the lake. We had two campsites next to one another to set up our tents and cookstoves, just a stone's throw away from the lake. We did have to chase off a bear twice on the last night we were there!! Most of the camp slept through the experience. He was just searching for something to eat and seemed to know exactly what he was doing and how to go about it. The rafting afforded us a lazy river experience, some class 3 rapids, and some time to jump off the raft and swim along. We enjoyed splashing the other rafters along the way, and there may have been some shoving of persons in now and again. All in all, it was a trip to remember.

Cliff's amusement park never ceases to amuse, and even during the heat we all had some good clean fun. Riding lots of rides and getting soaked in the water park is always a great way to reward all the youth for their diligence in assisting with VBS this year.

The Aftershock youth extend a huge **thank you** to each of you for your continued support of the youth ministry and helping us to have a successful summer. Thank you!

**Ignite 2024** is in the planning stage and will take place the first Saturday of February. Please pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in preparation for this event, and to touch the hearts and minds of the youth of Valencia County.

**PIE SUNDAY will be happening October 1**, and you will be hearing more about this '**FUNRAISER**' for the Aftershock Youth. We are planning a slightly modified operation this year so stay tuned.

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## Food Pantry

The Summer hours of operation will continue through September-- 9:00 to 11:30 am every Monday, except Labor Day.

If you feel called to help out in this ministry, please consider coming to stock the shelves after the Roadrunner Food Bank delivery on **Fridays** (about 8:30 or 9:00 am).

Or on **Mondays**... arrive between 8:00 and 8:30 am until we close.

If you can come for an hour, 2 hours – whatever fits your schedule – that will be wonderful!!!! Any additional help is greatly appreciated!

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**Seeking donations of warm hoodies for the colder weather ahead. Beverley Nilles is coordinating this campaign to help the students at Century High School.**

**If you are able to provide a hoodie or 2, the sizes needed are Small, Medium & Large. Donations may be left in the workroom next to the Narthex/Foyer – please mark them “Century High”. THANK YOU !!!!**



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### Peralta Methodist Women, Mary Circle

**Mary Circle will meet on  
Tuesday September 12, 2023  
at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall.**

**Join this caring group of women  
to share devotion,  
a thoughtful prayer time,  
and great fellowship.**

We will have light refreshments.

***All women are welcome and cordially invited!***



**September 3 – William Armstrong**

**September 6 – Mary Valigura**

**September 7 – Rosa Garcia**

**September 8 – Abby Altobello**

**September 9 – Grant Irwin**

**September 10 – Faith Switzer**

**September 11 – Dayle Eager**

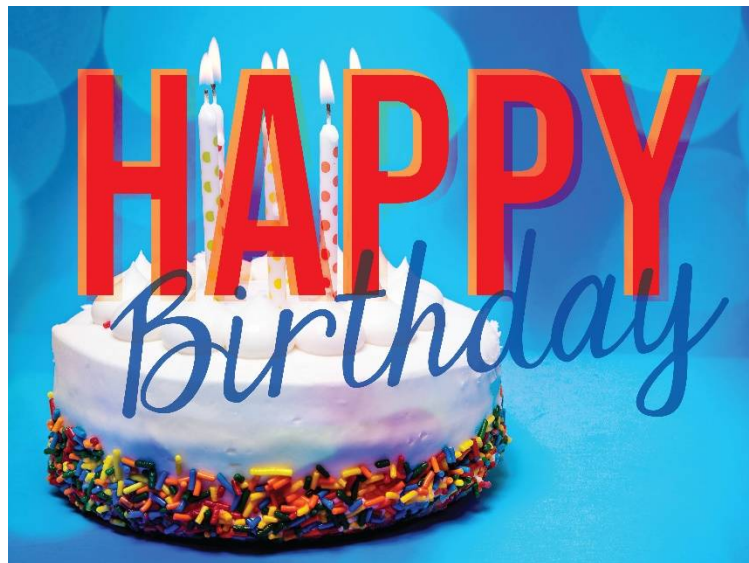
**September 11 – Julieanne Frasier**

**September 12 – Ryan Rindels**

**September 17 – Matthew Gonzales**

**September 18 – Danene Eager**

**September 25 – Jennifer York**



**September 4 – Becky & Ken Eubank**

**September 7 – Marlow & Julieanne Frasier**

**September 18 – Jordan and Amy Valigura**

**September 27 – Vernon & Wendy Honeyfield**

**September 30 – Dayle & Danene Eager**



## A PRAYER FOR LABOR DAY

LORD ON THIS LABOR DAY,

WE THANK YOU FOR THE BLESSING OF WORK.

WE ASK FOR STRENGTH TO COMPLETE EACH DAY.

WE ASK FOR REST WHEN WE ARE WEARY.

WE ASK YOUR GUIDANCE FOR EVERYONE SEEKING EMPLOYMENT,

AND WE ASK THAT YOU BE WITH THOSE WHOSE FACES

WE MIGHT NEVER SEE BUT WHO WORK TIRELESSLY EACH DAY

FOR THE GOOD OF US ALL.

AMEN.



**PRAYER WARRIORS**

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 or the church office, 865-9334. If you would like to be a part of Prayer Warriors, please let us know.

<b>Our Freedom</b>	Abundant Grace Free Store	<b>Rev. Manish Shirley</b>	Nadia M	<b>Ruth Romero</b>	Lynn Schultz	
<b>Erma Ward</b>	Mike Heppler	<b>Cheryl Huber</b>	Dan McCarty	<b>Bill Lynch</b>	Don Gleichman	Lois Meadors
<b>Dorothy Marta</b>	Daniel Gurule	<b>Conrad Joseph Hughes</b>	Cure for Cancer	<b>Donna Duke</b>	J'Amy Creel	<b>Jim Kubisak</b>
Diego	<b>Joleen Baughman</b>	Karen Fastnacht	<b>Nate Meyer</b>	USA Leaders	<b>Larry &amp; Melodie Huff</b>	Michael Garrison
	<b>Richard &amp; Linda Darnell</b>	Lori Buvinghausen	<b>All Caregivers</b>	Anne Cassidy-Vigil	<b>Beth Barnett</b>	
	<b>All military &amp; their families</b>	<b>Jay &amp; Marilyn Smith</b>	Don Taylor	<b>Ted George</b>	<b>Bruce &amp; Cindy Walters</b>	
		<b>John Dutil</b>	<b>Veronica Garcia</b>			



GriefShare is continuing the new video and workbook series. Everyone is welcome to join in at ANYTIME!!

Meeting dates are September 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> beginning at 1:00 pm– in the Conference Room (in the 2-story Community Building).

If you'd like more information, please contact Diana Ward, Carol Smith or Phyllis Graham. The church office can provide their phone numbers to you.

Life Line Screening, the nation's leading provider of preventive health screenings, will offer affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at Peralta Methodist Church on Monday, October 16, 2023 beginning at 9:00 am.

A package of four screenings to identify risk for stroke, heart disease and other chronic conditions will be offered:

- **Carotid Artery Screening (Plaque)**

An ultrasound is performed to screen the carotid arteries (a pair of blood vessels in the neck that deliver blood to your brain) for buildup of fatty plaque. This buildup, called atherosclerosis, is one of the leading causes of stroke.

- **Peripheral Arterial Disease Screening**

An Ankle-Brachial Index (ABI) test is performed using blood pressure cuffs on the arms and legs. It is important to screen for PAD because it increases the risk of coronary artery disease, heart attack, or stroke.<sup>1</sup>

- **Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (AAA)**

An ultrasound is performed to screen the abdominal aorta for the presence of an enlargement or aneurysm. AAA can lead to a ruptured aortic artery, which is a serious medical emergency.

- **Atrial Fibrillation**

A 6-lead electrocardiogram (EKG) is performed by placing sensors on the arms and legs to screen for Atrial Fibrillation. AFib can lead to blood clots, stroke, and heart failure, and other heart-related complications.<sup>2</sup>

These 4 vital screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. Register by calling toll free 1-844-591-7160, or text the word "circle" to 216-279-1607 or online at <https://llsa.social/HC>. Price is \$159, (per their website).



Children's choir starting soon  
.....so stay tuned!

Need:

- Carpet squares
- Stickers
- VOLUNTEERS!!

Please contact Heather Rindels on Sunday morning if you would like more information. (you may call the church office to ask for Heather's contact info).



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>1</b> 6 pm - EMMAUS in Fellowship Hall & Kitchen	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> 8:30 – Worship 9:45 – Sunday School 11:00 – Worship  No AfterShock Youth	<b>4 – LABOR DAY</b>   Office will be closed Food Pantry is closed  No Emmaus No Cub Scouts No Scouts	<b>5</b> 9 am – Crafty Ladies, Fellowship Hall  4:30 – Fitness #203	<b>6</b> 9 am – Crafty Ladies, Fellowship Hall  4:30 – Fitness, #203  5:30- Bible Study #101 6 pm -Girl Scouts – Educ. Bldg. 6 pm – Choir rehearsal	<b>7</b> 8:45 am – S & B, Fell Hall  4:30 – Fitness #203	<b>8</b> 5:30 pm until Sunday – Order of Arrow Scouts in Community Bldg, including overnight.	<b>9</b> 10:30 am – Threads of Love, Fell Hall  Community Bldg – reserved for Order of Arrow group
<b>10</b> Scouts depart by 8:30 am  7 am – Men’s Breakfast & Study , Fell Hall  8:30 – Worship 9:45 – Sunday School 11:00 – Worship  6 pm – AfterShock Youth	<b>11</b>   9 am- Food Pantry 9:30 – Soulkeepers, Conf Rm 5:30- Emmaus, #101 5:30- Cub Scouts, Educ. Bldg. 7 pm - Scouts, Educ Bldg, & #204	<b>12</b> 9:30 am– Mary Circle, Fellowship Hall  Fell Hall Kitchen reserved - afternoon  4:30– Fitness #203	<b>13</b> Fell Hall Kitchen reserved 8 am to 2 pm  4:30 – Fitness, #203 5:30- Bible Study #101 6 pm -Choir Rehearsal	<b>14</b> 8:45 - S & B, Fell Hall  1:00 – GriefShare – Conference Room  No Fitness	<b>15</b> Auditorium, Conference Room and classroom reserved until Saturday	<b>16</b> Friendship Tea Auditorium Doors open at 1:30 pm Tea begins at 2 pm 
<b>17</b> 8:30 – Worship 9:45 – Sunday School 11:00 – Worship  6 pm – AfterShock Youth	<b>18</b> 9 am- Food Pantry  5:30 –Emmaus, #101 5:30 – Cub Scouts, Education Bldg. 7 pm - Scouts, Educ Bldg, & #204	<b>19</b> 9 am – Crafty Ladies, Fell Hall 4:30 Fitness 5:30 – Tea mtg, NW Annex	<b>20</b> 9 am – Crafty Ladies, Fellowship Hall  4:30 Fitness, #203 5:30 Bible Study #101 6 pm– Choir Rehearsal	<b>21</b> 8:45 am - S & B  4:30 Fitness, #203  <b>6:30 – Ad Council Meeting, Conf Room</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>  Girl Scout Service Unit, Fellowship Hall 8:30 – 3:30
<b>24</b> 7 am – Men’s Breakfast & Study, Fell Hall  8:30 – Worship 9:45 – Sunday School 11:00 – Worship  6 pm – AfterShock Youth	<b>25</b> 9-11:30 Food Pantry 9:30 – Soulkeepers, Conf Rm 5:30 Emmaus, #101 5:30 Cub Scouts – Education Bldg. 7 pm - Scouts, Educ Bldg #204	<b>26</b> 4:30– Fitness, #203  6:30 pm – Order of Arrow, Fell Hall	<b>27</b> 4:30 – Fitness #203 5:30 – Bible, #101 6 pm - Choir Rehearsal	<b>28</b> 8:45 - S & B- F. Hall  4:30 Fitness #203  Auditorium reserved for set up	<b>29</b> Community Wellness Council training – Auditorium 9 am to 3 pm	<b>30</b> Auditorium set up for Sunday