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Going Beyond Our Walls to Build God's Kingdom

Dear Church Family & Friends,

May 5th is friendship Sunday. A friend of mine used to say jokingly, "A friend in need is a pain in the neck." Dale Carnegie wrote that wonderful book about how to win friends and influence people. It's great advice. He says, if you want to win friends you've got to first be a friend. He's exactly right and it's a biblical idea. But I want to flip that around just a bit because the bible is really not concerned with primarily you winning friends. The Bible is primarily concerned with you being a friend. Which brings the question, how good a friend have I been to others? Maybe I have been a friend and just don't remember it. I do remember some others who have certainly been friends to me! I heard someone reflect on friendship saying, "You only Love Jesus as much as the person you love the least." Well I have work to do. How about You?

So on May 5th I will preach on the idea of friendship. I will explore how to choose friends wisely, how to be a friend and how to sustain a friendship over a long haul.

Some Reflections on Mothers and Mother's day - My experience in ministry and in life has led me to several conclusions about mothers. First, every mother feels a measure of guilt, believing she could have been a better mom. Second, every mother gets angry with her children at times, and they all feel guilty about it afterwards. Third, there are no perfect people - no perfect parents and no perfect children - we all make mistakes. Fourth, most mothers and fathers hope to be good parents, and usually attempt to do so, however imperfectly. Fifth, being a mom is hard work - and there are many sacrifices no one ever sees. For all our flowers, gifts, and special gatherings to honor those who have carried, raised, and guided us to this moment, most would probably acknowledge that motherhood can be less than glamorous and exciting on many days

If one were to add up all the meals prepared, baths given, diapers changed, doctor visits scheduled and attended, clothing picked out and purchased, special events signed up for and participated in, prayers prayed, tears shed, etc. the number would be staggering. I am remembering the many small things and large things my mom has done for me throughout my life, and I am thankful for her and I hope you are thankful for your mom too.

Well, Keep the Faith.....Or give it away – whichever is more convenient!

AFTERSHOCK-YOUTH

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

CRAZY LOVE studies continue with Maggie and Danny leading the class discussions. Some of the latest questions we are pondering may have some value for you to question God on as well.

- What defines love, or what defines what love is?
- Do you love God, family, friends, animals in different ways? What are those differences and why?
- Do we change for God or does God change us?
- Do we love God more intimately or reverently? Why?
- How can we practice seeking relationship more successfully, both with others and especially with God?

We are continuing to enjoy our time with Crazy Love.

VBS is quickly approaching, and we are continuing to plan and prep for a great summer here at PMC and at Cimarron. Let us know if you may be interested in assisting us with VBS. Please call the church office, 865-9334, or speak with Marlow or Angie Davis.



In May, GriefShare will meet on May 9th and 23rd at 1:00 pm in the Conference Room, located in the Community Building.

The invitation for anyone to join this group is always extended. You are more than welcome to join.

If you are going through a rough time, please come and see for yourself. The fellowship and support you'll receive is a blessing.



May 10 - Becky McCain
May 10 - Cindy Russell
May 10 - Nate Meyer
May 17 - Wayne Sharp
May 21 - Dorothy Vaughan
May 21 - Butch West
May 22 - Amiah Hernandez
May 27 - Diana Ward
May 27 - Phyllis Graham
May 28 - Bill Grotefend
May 30 - Steve Davis
May 30 - Monica Winchester
May 31 - Ginny Grissom

May 12 – Bobby & Kelley Green May 20 – Wayne & Lanna Sharp





Children and Adult Choir rehearsals will be held on the following days:

May 1st May 8th May 15th May 22nd May 29th

Children meet at 5:00 pm and the adults meet at 6:00 pm.
New members are always welcome!!!

A Prayer For May:

May you be happy.

May you stay healthy.

May you feel safe.

May you find comfort.

May you sense peace.

May you give love.

May you possess courage.

May you have faith.

May you spread joy.

May you be kind.



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.

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

CRAFTY LADIES

Crafty Ladies will meet May 7-8 at 9 AM. We still have a lot of projects to finish, begin or continue working on. Please come and help us, fellowship with us, and eat lunch with us. We appreciate all the help we can get to the Glory of God.

We do have some ingredients available for Jelly and jams so we're looking for volunteers to make those. Need Info? Call Kaye.

Peralta Methodist Women, Mary Circle



Mary Circle will meet Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall.

We will be having devotion and prayer time, and Sandy Allen will present our program: "Relationships"



Please join us!
All women at are cordially invited!

INFORMATION FROM FINANCE COMMITTEE

PERALTA METHODIST CHURCH GENERAL FUND OPERATING REVENUE/EXPENDITURE For the period from January to March 2024



			ACTUAL		_ YTD	
Budget		Revenues	Expenses	(Deficit)		
	3 MONTHS	68,688	57,109	62,023	(4,915)	
	MONTHLY	22,896	19,036	20,674	(1,638)	

HISTORY OF THE DISAFFILIATION LOAN FROM MARCH 2023 to MARCH 2024

March 2023	2023 Principal	12/31/2023	2024 Principal	3/31/2024
LOAN	Payments	Loan Balance	Payments	Loan Balance
110,000.00	26,289.53	83,710.47	2,453.29	81,257.18

Two Goals for our Church to Consider for the 2024 Year

Consider the monthly operating requirements of our Church

- 1. Increase our monthly giving by \$1,500 to \$2,000
- 2. Continue to pay down the disaffiliation loan balance



SUNDAY, MAY 5 - FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY - invite a friend to join you at church!!

SUNDAY, **MAY 12 – MOTHER'S DAY** – Photo opportunity. There will be a special background displayed where families are invited to have their photo taken with mom, grandma, aunt, or special person who has been like a mom.

SUNDAY, MAY 19 - PENTECOST SUNDAY

SUNDAY, MAY 26 – TRINITY SUNDAY & PATRIOTIC SUNDAY in honor of Memorial Day



FOR THE MONTHS OF JUNE AND JULY

Sunday School time – each class will decide what time class will be

ONE WORSHIP SERVICE Will be held at 10:00 am



To all who supported the mission and work of Care Net, by donating your change inside baby bottles, THANK YOU!!!

The total collected and given to the local Care Net office was \$1,120.



SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULE

You may register ONLINE by May 15 to get best rates and avoid \$15 late fee. Full payment is not due until the time for camp. Scholarships are available through Sacramento Camp, and also by requesting/applying for consideration here at church.

For more information you may go to www.sacramentocamp.org

June 7-9 – Young Elementary, entering grades 2nd – 4th -- \$191

June 10-14 – Elementary Horse Camp, entering grades 4th-6th, \$440

June 17-21 – "SYC" Sacramento Youth Camp, entering 7th - Graduate Cost is \$389

June 24-28 – Youth Horse Camp, entering 7th – Graduate; \$440

June 24 – 28 – Camp Sunshine, ages 16+ \$375.00

June 30 - July 5 - FAMILY CAMP cost varies based on age & lodging

July 7-12 – MADD –Music, Arts, Dance, Drama, entering 7th-Graduate Cost is \$475

July 8-12 – Older Elementary, entering grades 4th – 6th \$385

July 15-19 – Whoz We R – entering 4th – 6th grades \$385



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			MAY 1st	2	3	4
			4:30 – Fitness, #203 5 pm - Kids' Choir 5:30- Bible Study #101 6 pm -Girl Scouts – Educ. Bldg. 6 pm – PMC Choir rehearsal	4:30 – Fitness #203	EMMAUS, 6 pm, Fell Hall & K	Memorial Service – Margrace Grotefend at 11 am – visitation begins at 10:30 am Reception following
5 - Friendship	6	7	8	9	10	11
Sunday –invite a friend to church 8:30 – Worship 9:45 – Sunday School 11:00 – Worship 3:45 – Bell Choir 6 pm – AfterShock Youth	10 am- Food Pantry 5:30 - Cub Scouts, Education Bldg. 7:00 – Scouts, Educ Bldg & #204	Crafty Ladies, Fell Hall – 9 am to 2 pm 4:30– Fitness #203	Crafty Ladies, Fell Hall – 9 am to 2 pm 4:30 Fitness, #203 5:00 - Kids Choir No Bible Study #101 6 pm -PMC Choir 6:00 pm Girl Scouts Educ. Bldg.	1 pm – GriefShare, Conference Room 4:30 Fitness #203		Threads of Love, Fell Hall, 10-30 am Sanctuary reserved, piano recital - 6 pm
12 –	13	14	15	16	17	18
7 am - Methodist Men Study & Breakfast, Fellowship Hall 8:30 – Worship 9:45 – Sunday School 11:00 – Worship 3:45 – Bell Choir No AfterShock Youth	9:30 am Soulkeepers, Conf Rm 10 am – Food Pantry 5:30 - Cub Scouts, Educ. Bldg. 7 pm – Scouts, Educ Bldg & #204	Mary Circle, 9:30 Fellowship Hall 4:30 – Fitness #203 6:30 – Girl Scout Svc Unit – Fell Hall	4:30 – Fitness, #203 5 pm Kids' Choir No Bible Study #101 6 pm PMC Choir 6 pm – Girl Scouts, Educ Bldg.	4:30 Fitness,#204		
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26 - Patriotic	27 –	28	29	30	31	June 1st
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