

Peralta Methodist Church

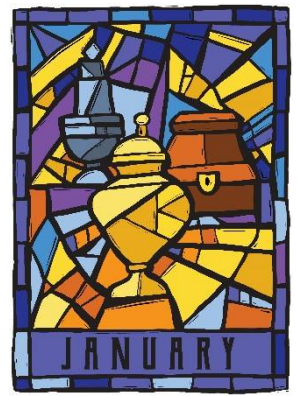
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Going Beyond Our Walls to Build God's Kingdom

Therefore, God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the name that is above every name. Philippians 2:9

There are over 200 names and titles for Jesus in the Bible. Many of these references become increasingly familiar during Christmas. Today, I share three of these names as a reminder of how close to you God remains at this very moment. Find comfort, hope, and strength in the name of Jesus.

Jesus, Prince of peace: Because sin separates man from God, Jesus came to bring peace between man and God. He died to reconcile sinners to a holy God.

Jesus, Immanuel: This title literally means, "God with us." Both Isaiah and Matthew affirm that the Christ who would be born in Bethlehem would be God Himself who has come to earth in the form of man to live among us.

Jesus, Wonderful Counselor: The idea of counselor represents a wise king, thus indicating that He is able to guide His people perfectly in every way. The description of wonderful counselor represents that which is incomprehensible. More than we could ever imagine or hope for, Jesus came to give us guidance spiritually - teaching us how to walk with God and giving us access to God. And He came to give us guidance practically - daily leading our mind, heart, and actions through the Spirit of God.

Jesus is "God with us." He is wonderful counselor, mighty God, everlasting Father, and prince of peace. We worship Him, for His name is above all names.

"Therefore God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." (Philippians 2:9-11)

As we worship the majesty of the Christ and as we celebrate that He has come, take time in this New Year to truly meditate upon the name above all names, Jesus.

Blessings, Pastor Manish



Peralta Methodist Women, Mary Circle

*Mary Circle will meet in January
on Tuesday, January 14, at 9:30 am
in the Fellowship Hall.*

*We will be having devotion and prayer time, our
program: "A New Year . . . A New You" will
be presented by Erin Emmons.*

***All women at are cordially
invited!***



NEW SERMON SERIES beginning January 19th:

The Bible & the Afterlife: *Biblical Answers to Questions about Death and Eternal Life*

We all have questions about the afterlife. What happens to us at death? What is heaven like? Will we know our loved ones there? Is there a hell? What happens at Judgment Day? Who goes to heaven? Who does not? What will we do in heaven? Is there a purgatory? What do we make of near-death experiences? What about re-incarnation? In this exciting series we will study the Bible's answers to these questions. Invite a friend to join you as we explore these topics.



Saturday
January 25th
in the Auditorium
8:30 am to 12 pm

For your convenience,
you may make an

appointment online at www.vitalant.org.

Blood
DRIVE

Thank you for helping save a life!

A Prayer for the New Year

Lord,
Whether I leave behind
a year of joy or of trials and difficulties,

I pause to *give thanks*.
Thank you for being with me
every day of every year.

Thank you for making all things **new**
and for giving me the grace of
fresh starts

and *new beginnings*.

Remind me of your presence in the days to
come,
even when I feel pushed and rushed by
busyness.

Be glorified in my life this year.

Amen

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PRAYER WARRIORS

If you would like to be a part of Prayer Warriors, you may call Ruth or the Church Office, to be added to the email list.

Please be in prayer for each of these listed on our continuing prayer list below. And, if you know of anyone else who needs to be added, please call Ruth or the church office, 865-9334.

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

AfterShock Youth Group

Turning the hearts of youth and families to God and each other. **Haggai 2:6-7**

Each of the youth would like to take this opportunity to thank the congregation of PMC for all of your continued support of the Aftershock youth ministry. Without your love, care, prayers, and financial support, our lives would not be touched in the manner that they have been, nor would we be able to share the blessings of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ with others in these uncertain times. We would like to commit this new year to honoring God through the growth and development of the Fruit of the Spirit becoming more and more noticeable and prevalent in each of our lives, and we pray that you may be able to do the same, in Jesus name! Amen!

NEW YOUTH GROUP DAY will be starting in January for a trial basis. We will no longer be meeting on Sunday evenings and will try Wednesday evenings to see how that may work for our group. Please pray for us to be accessible and available to continue growing in God's word and assembling together.

IGNITE 2025 will take place on February 1 at the First Baptist Church of Bosque Farms and we will be preparing the youth of the Aftershock youth group for this event throughout January. The theme this year is "Who Ya Gonna Call" #333 referencing Jeremiah 33:3; 'Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.'

We know to call 911 in an emergency, and God has a phone number for us if we remember to call on Him. #333 or Jeremiah 33:3.

May 2025 find each of you safe in the shadow of the wings of the almighty, and may we all actively pursue His righteousness and relationship.

New Sunday School Series – Pastor Manish – begins January 5th:

We will look at the **THREE SIMPLE RULES** - Our airwaves, social media and bookshelves are loaded with instructions aimed at making us prosperous, successful and fulfilled, not to mention fit and fabulous looking. Do you ever long for simplicity, a return to the basics, a clear, no-nonsense approach to living?

These Bible Studies illustrates simple rules for living. John Wesley, the founder of Methodism, originated the rules, and they've been adapted into a short but powerful book, entitled Three Simple Rules.



Happy New Year everyone! Crafty Ladies will have their New Year party in lieu of Christmas party. It will be held on Thursday, January 2nd at 11:00 am at TJs restaurant on Hwy 314. Ladies, the cost is \$20 so please bring it with you on January 2nd, or you may give it to Kelley or Bernice ahead of time.

We'll also begin the new Crafty Ladies year on January 7th and 8th in Fellowship Hall to begin crafting for 2025. Please join us if you are interested. We'd love to have new members join us in fellowship as we make craft items.



We begin 2025 with meetings on Thursday January 9th and January 23rd in the Conference Room at 1:00 pm. Everyone who is dealing with a loss is more than welcome to join us. If you want to know more about GriefShare you may look online at www.griefshare.org or contact one of the coordinators leading the group. Coordinators are Carol Smith, Diana Ward and Phyllis Graham.

Ministry/Group leaders --- please submit a building request form with dates for meetings/events in 2025.

Thank you!!

January 1 – Zabrinia Winchester

January 5 – Yvonne Braught

January 7 – Jo Anne Hinds

January 10 – David Meyer

January 18 – Jan Buvinghausen

January 19 – Anna Gipson

January 21 – Tom Blaine

January 23 – Rosemarie Maniscalco

January 23 – Brenda Wolf

January 26 – Gilbert Row



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS



January 8 – Dan & Dorothy Rose
January 16 – Bob & Carole Caswell



The Salvation Army bell ringing has been a part of our church for many years. This great ministry supports many people in Valencia County. We thank all the great people of this congregation that rang the bell or helped with the kettle drop off and pickup. We also would like to thank the Cub Scouts and their families that rang the bell as well. The thank you's and the generosity of the community has been overwhelmingly positive this year.

Thank You everyone for another successful bell ringing campaign!



JANUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1st - 2025 HAPPY NEW YEAR!! 	2 9:30 am, Fell Hall, study group	3 Emmaus, Fell Hall 6:00 pm	4
5 8:45 Sunday School 10:00 – Worship	6 9:30 -12 noon Food Pantry 5:00– Cub Scouts Auditorium & K	7 Crafty Ladies, Fell Hall 9-2	8 Crafty Ladies Fell Hall 9-2 5 pm- Kids Choir 5:30 – Bible study #101 6 pm – Choir 6 pm – AfterShock Youth	9 1:00 pm GriefShare, Conf. Room	10	11 Threads of Love, Fellowship Hall 10:30 am
12 7 am – Men’s Breakfast Study, Fellowship Hall 8:45 Sunday School 10:00 – Worship	13 9:30 am – Food Pantry 5:30 – Cub Scouts Educ Bldg	14 Mary Circle, Fellowship Hall & Kitchen 9:30 am	15 5 pm- Kids Choir 5:30 – Bible study #101 6 pm – Choir 6 pm – AfterShock Youth	16	17	18
19 8:45–Sunday School 10 am Worship	20 – MLK, Jr. Holiday 9:30 – Food Pantry No Cub Scouts	21	22 5 pm- Kids Choir 5:30 – Bible study #101 6 pm – Choir 6 pm – AfterShock Youth	23 1:00 pm GriefShare, Conf Room	24	25 BLOOD + DRIVE Auditorium 8:30 – 12 noon (sign up online)
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2024 giving statement Per al t a Methodist

If you would like to receive a printed copy of your giving statement showing donations you gave to the church in 2024 --- please fill in the information below and return to the church. You may leave it in the church office, or in a box on the welcome table, or return by postal mail.

Statements will be made available **about** the 2nd Sunday of February.

If you gave through VANCO, you can access your donations through your account online.

I would like a printed copy of my giving statement

I would like my giving statement sent by email, please provide address.

FULL NAME(s) & MAILING ADDRESS OR EMAIL ADDRESS:

