

## Peralta Methodist Church<sup>25</sup>

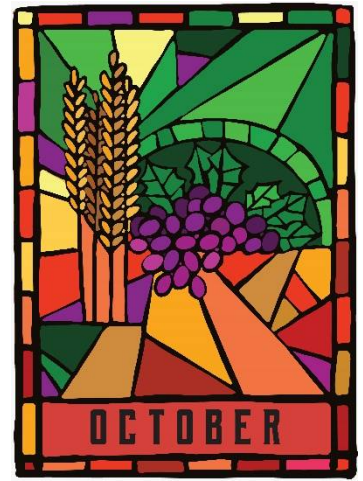
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## Going Beyond Our Walls to Build God's Kingdom

### *Pastor's Message*

*Make every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. Ephesians 4:3-6*

Variety is often a treasure. An old fashioned garden presents a splendid variety of grasses, ferns, and flowers. A well-stocked grocery store has a wide variety of food with fruits and vegetables in an array of sizes, shapes, and colors. All this is a sign of God's goodness, said John Calvin. We could have gotten along with just a few kinds of foods and flowers. But God wants to delight us.

Yet God made only one church. Christians believe there is *one* "holy catholic church." Here it is we, and not God, who have introduced variety. I mean that God is not the one who has splintered the church into pieces that are indifferent or hostile to each other. One God has called one people to be one body. It is we who have divided the body.

The divisions keep on across the centuries, across the world. America by itself has hundreds of varieties of churches. Some of the variety is just fine. Local churches, for example, can organize for particular missions. But some of the variety is owed to sinful division. Christians are supposed to be one body, visibly. But we are not. And our divisions are a scandal before the face of heaven and earth. Schism, the breach of union in the church, is a tragedy, like divorce, painful tearing apart of the body. Doctrine, communion, ordination of women, views of homosexuality, even whether to sing one hymn or a praise song – and all these issues have become blades that cut the membrane of unity.

But what can we do? Do we declare ourselves alone to be right and invite all others to be converted to us? Or give up our own confession and practice just because other Christians reject it? NO.

Could we perhaps, begin by trying to keep the unity of Spirit in the local church to which we now belong?

*Forgive us, O God, for grieving you with our divisions. Forgive our church sin. Forgive, correct, and heal us by your Spirit. Amen.*

**Pastor Manish**



SATURDAY  
OCTOBER 25<sup>TH</sup>

2:00-4:00 PM

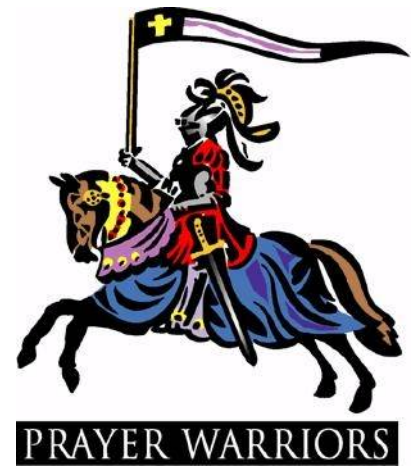


## HELP IS NEEDED

*Contact Angie Davis PLEASE, if you're available*

- Monitoring the jumper/slide
- Overseeing the games (we have a variety to choose from)
- Baking for the Cake Walk
- Music for the cake walk
- Helping with pumpkins
- Decorate your vehicle for Trunk/Treat





## 10 WAYS TO PRAY WHEN YOU CAN'T PRAY

1. Pray anyway.
2. Choose to listen.
3. Just say His name.
4. Have a go-to prayer.
5. Say a prayer of praise.
6. Pray for someone else.
7. Pray for a heart of prayer.
8. Have someone pray for you.
9. Read different prayers in the Bible.
10. Pray different Bible verses over your life.

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	Betty Heppler	Cheryl Huber
Cure for Cancer	Lois Meadors	Daniel Gurule	Conrad Joseph Hughes
Donna Duke	J'Amy Creel	Diego	Joleen Baughman
USA Leaders	Larry & Melodie Huff	Michael Garrison	Richard & Linda Darnell
All Caregivers	Anne Cassidy-Vigil	Beth Barnett	All military & their families
Don Taylor	Ted George	Bruce Walters	John Dutil
Arlene Kochis	Nate Meyer	Jeremy Gray	David Martinez
			Cliff Steuben
			Jim Kubisak



# GRIEF SHARE®

GriefShare meetings this month will be held on Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup> and October 23<sup>rd</sup> beginning at 1:00 pm. We meet in the Conference Room in the Community Building. Anyone who is going through a time of loss and grief is most welcome to join us. For more information you may search online at [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org), or call the church office.

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## **Peralta Methodist Women, Mary Circle**

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

*Join us for Prayer, Devotion, and Fellowship*

*Sylvia Regelbrugge  
will be presenting our program.*

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



*It's just one month until the  
46<sup>th</sup> Holiday Bazaar will be held!!!  
Bazaar dates are Friday,  
November 21<sup>st</sup> from 9 am to 5 pm  
and Saturday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>  
from 9 am to 3 pm.*



**Please join us on October 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> to help get the final projects completed. THANK YOU!!**

We are also seeking helpers to set up for the Bazaar beginning November 13<sup>th</sup>, cashiers at the Bazaar, and helpers to take down on November 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. You may contact Kelley Green, Bernice Hughes or Lois Meadors.



October 1 – Bev Nilles

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October 6 – Jack Nilles

October 11 – Frank Bonanno

October 12 – Richard Stockton

October 13 – Don Inman

October 24 – Valerie Smith

October 24 – Heather Rindels

October 26 – Jack Stayton

October 26 – Melodie Huff

October 26 – Carole row

October 27 – Sandy Allen

October 29 – Sandy Blaine



*October 14 – Neil & Linda Smith*

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Can you help?----picking up items left in the donation shed on the north side of the Sanctuary and deliver to the FREE STORE in Rio Communities??? They accept donations on Thursdays or Saturdays between 9 am and 12 noon.

PLEASE call the church office if you can help on either Thursdays or Saturdays. THANK YOU!!!



# OCTOBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> Office is closed today  5:30 – Bible Study #101	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> EMMAUS, Fell Hall 6:00 pm	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> 8:30/8:45 Sunday School  10:00 – Worship  4:00 - Bells	<b>6</b> 9:30 – Food Pantry 9:30 – Soulkeepers, Conference Room  5:30 – Scouts, Educ. Bldg. 7 pm – Scouts, Ed Bld	<b>7</b> Crafty Ladies, Fell Hall 9 am to 2 pm	<b>8</b> Crafty Ladies, Fell Hall 9 am to 2 pm  5:30 – Bible Study #101	<b>9</b> Study, Fell Hal 9:30 am  1 pm – GriefShare, Conference Room	<b>10</b> Fellowship Hall reserved 10:30 am to 1 pm	<b>11</b> Threads of Love, Fell Hall 10:30 am
<b>12</b> 7 am – Men's Breakfast study; Fellowship Hall  8:30/8:45 Sunday School  10:00 – Worship  4 – Bells	<b>13</b> 9:30 am -Food Pantry  No Cub Scouts 7 pm – Scouts, Educ Bldg.	<b>14</b> Mary Circle, Fell Hall, 9:30 am  Girl Scout Service Unit, Fell Hall 6:30 pm	<b>15</b> 5:30 – Bible Study #101	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> 8:30/8:45 Sunday School  10:00 – Worship  4 pm - Bells	<b>20</b> 9:30 – Food Pantry 9:30 – Soulkeepers Conference Room  5:30 – Scouts, Educ. Bldg. 7 pm Scouts, Educ Bldg.	<b>21</b> Crafty Ladies, Fell Hall, 9 am to 2 pm	<b>22</b> Crafty Ladies, Fell Hall, 9 am to 2 pm  5:30 – Bible Study #101	<b>23</b> Study, Fell Hall 9:30 am  1 pm – GriefShare Conference Room  Auditorium set up	<b>24</b> Community Wellness Council in Auditorium 9 am to 2 pm	<b>25</b> <b>Fell Hall reserved  10 am to 1 pm</b>    <b>2 pm -4 pm  Parking lot</b>
<b>26</b> 7 am – Men's Breakfast study; Fellowship Hall  8:30/8:45 –Sunday School  10 am – Worship  4 – Bells	<b>27</b> 9:30 – Food Pantry  5:30 – Scouts, Educ. Bldg. 7 pm Scouts, Educ Bldg.	<b>28</b> Fell Hall kitchen reserved 9 -1  Order of Arrow, Fell Hall 7 pm	<b>29</b> Fell Hall kitchen reserved 9 -1  5:30 – Bible Study #101	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>November 1</b>  At bedtime, turn clocks BACK one hour – Daylight Savings Time ends