Perritte Memorial Messenger United Methodist Church

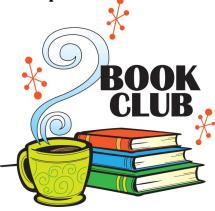
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February 23, 2016

NEWS BRIEFS

Essential Oils 101

Tonight, Lucy Richardson will be teaching a beginner's class in Essential Oils in Memorial Hall at **6:00 pm**.



Biblical Book Club This Thursday, February 25, at 6:30 pm, come discuss John Wesley: A Biography by Stephen Tompkins. Bring a snack to share to Chris and Jamie Bouldin's home at 3501 Chimney Rock. Men and women of all ages are welcome! What book will we pick to read in March?! If you have any questions, call Jamie at (936) 615-4751 or email her at jamie.bouldin@gmail.com.

Fourth Sunday Meetings This Sunday, February 28, our monthly meetings officially change from "Third Sunday" Meetings to "Fourth Sunday" Meetings.

Finance Committee at 12:30 pm; Trustees at 1:15 pm; and Church Council at 2:00 pm.

Spring Fling—Saturday, March 19

Spring Fling is less than a month away! On **March 19**, we will join with FUMC Nacogdoches on our church lawn to open up arts and crafts stations, games, snacks, and bounce houses at **10 am**. Then at **noon**, we start the massive Easter egg hunts, one for the younger children, and a separate hunt for the older children.

We need volunteers to:

Before Spring Fling: Take unstuffed eggs from the church and fill them On the day of Spring Fling: Come early to set up Host a game booth (egg on a spoon is taken!) Monitor a bounce house Coordinate making bunny ears Hide Easter eggs Stay late to help clean up

We will provide child care for volunteers during Spring Fling!

We also needs donations like:

Filled Easter eggs Empty Easter eggs

Candy

Small prizes (like bubbles, Bibles, books, crayons, coloring books, and chocolate crosses,) and even

Cash donations

To make non-cash donations, look for the giant Easter basket in the Fellowship Hall!

Remember that this is a great outreach event from our church to families in our neighborhood–we invite every student at Nettie Marshall and Brooks Quinn Jones to join us! Let's all join together in hosting a morning of fun and fellowship for our neighbors!

To volunteer, contact event coordinator **Kelly Allensworth** at **940.577.6666** or <u>spclkaa@att.net</u>. To volunteer to work in Arts and Crafts, call coordinator **Susan Stoner** at **564-4741**.



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Pastor's Corner

Lent is here and in full swing. We are exploring "Portraits of Grace" each Sunday as we connect the scripture with an image. On the first Sunday our image was of a basket overflowing with fresh produce...the offering that the Lord requested from the people in Deuteronomy 26:1-11. We offer ourselves, wholly, completely to the Lord each and every day as followers and students (disciples) of Jesus. The second Sunday our painting combined the readings from the Old and New Testaments. From Genesis 15:1-12, we saw the star -filled sky that the Lord points out to Abram as being the number of biological heirs he would have. From the Gospel lesson in Luke 13:31 -35, we saw the hen opening her wings for the chicks to gather, as Jesus lamented over Jerusalem. Jesus is offering divine protection. But we have to seek the shelter...just like the baby chick has to step toward the hen, so we have to take a risk and seek a changed heart.

That is what Lent is about, reflecting and recognizing the ways we have fallen short of God's promises for us, knowing there are more that we aren't even aware of. Sometimes we know...we stumble, we fall, and often we give up. But if we are following Jesus, he doesn't avoid the difficult road. He faces the challenge and keeps on healing people, casting out demons, eating with sinners, and trying to prepare a bunch of fisherman to take the lead when he is gone. Are we prepared to make a difference right here on this corner, in this community? We are called to offer ourselves to God, to be the body of Christ in the world...continuing the work of Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit! We have divine protection as we journey toward the cross with Jesus the Christ. Thanks be to God! —Peace, Pastor Lani

Letter from the Lay Leader

Easter is approaching! For many people Easter may be the only time they attend church. For others who have "gotten away" from the church habit, this season is a good time to return to routine worship. Now is a good time to invite friends to church. It is also a good time to reach out to those who are absent from worship and reconnect with them. Is there someone you miss seeing? A telephone call or note might be in order. Or perhaps you know people who do not have a church home. Now is a good time to encourage them to attend services. We are called to be deliberate in our actions for the Lord Jesus. The season of Lent is a great opportunity to intentionally encourage others to worship at Perritte. —Karen Swenson

We Remember in Prayer

Those who need healing

Wonda Jopling Dale & Morris Ward Mike Greer Jim Permeske

Those who are homebound or in long-term care

Rev. Edwin & Maurine McDaniel Steve Stovall Alvena Williams Helen Walker Rebecca Yarbrough

Mary Thrash Forrest Garrett

Those who are grieving

Those serving in the Armed Forces and their families

Stewardship

Received 2/14/16	
ZOE	10.00
Reimbursements	80.00
General Donations	4,727.17
Total Deposits	\$4,817.17
Received 2/21/16	
ZOE	110.00
General Donations	<u>1,506.80</u>
Total Deposits	\$1,616.80
Budget Comparison	<u>n as of 2/21/16</u>
Budget	\$222,873.25
Received to Date	30,486.77
Over/Under Budget	-\$3,801.47

Camp Dates

East/West District Camp at Lakeview will be **June 13-17**.

Church Clean Up

Saturday, March 12, come at 8:00 am to clean up around the church as we prepare for guests at Easter. There are jobs inside the church and out on the grounds. We hope to have all the work complete before noon. If we all pitch in, work will go faster and be fun!

Birthdays & Anniversaries

<u>February</u>

- 25 Brooks Kennemer
- 28 Josh Welch
- 29 *Mark & Brandi Dalhoff <u>March</u>
- 1 Mary Lou Mackey Michael Morton
- 3 Jim Rhoads
- 4 Larry Wilson
- 7 Don Rousseau
- 8 Maggie Ball
- 10 Stephen Alders
- 13 Cindi McCarley
- 15 Zach & Dylan Allensworth Johnnie Clack
- 17 Maya Jean Sienna Lathan
- 19 Eris Belk
- 20 Louise McDuffie
- 21 Libbyrose Clark
- 26 *Cody & Dawn (Ishmael) McGee
- 27 Sher Hanke
- 28 Hugh Byars
- 31 Yvonne Garrett

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Calendar

Wednesday, February 24 2:00 pm Men's and Women's 42 Groups Wonderful Wednesday (host: Chuck) 5:30 pm 6:00 pm Bible land archaeology study 6:00 pm Youth 7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 107 7:00 pm Choir **Thursday, February 25** 6:30 pm **Biblical Book Club**, 3501 Chimney Rock Friday, February 26 7:00 pm **BSA Troop 107 Court of Honor & Banquet** Saturday, February 27 No Scheduled Events Sunday, February 28 9:00 am **Prayer Partners** Morning Fellowship-Memorial Hall 9:45 am 10:00 am Sunday School Worship 11:00 am **Finance meeting** 12:30 pm 1:15 pm **Trustees meeting Church Council meeting** 2:00 pm 4:00 pm Youth Monday, February 29 Pie Crust 8:00 am Girl Scout Troop #1025 6:00 pm Cub Scout Pack 107 7:00 pm Tuesday, March 1 8:00 am Ouilters NYSA Coaches' Clinic 6:00 pm Wednesday, March 2 2:00 pm Men's and Women's 42 Groups 5:30 pm Wonderful Wednesday (*host: UMW*) 6:00 pm Bible land archaeology study 6:00 pm Youth Boy Scout Troop 107 7:00 pm 7:00 pm Choir Thursday & Friday, March 3 & 4 No Scheduled Events Saturday, March 5 9:00 am Boy Scout 10 Commandment Hike Sunday, March 6 9:00 am Prayer Partners-Pastor's Office 9:45 am Morning Fellowship—Memorial Hall 10:00 am Sunday School Worship 11:00 am Covered Dish (Host: Koinonia Class) 12:00 pm 3:00 pm The Arbor Service 4:00 pm Youth Monday, March 7 8:00 am Pie Crust Cub Scouts Pack 107 7:00 pm **Tuesday, March 8** Quilters 8:00 am

Sunday's Coming

Sunday, February 28:

"Portrait of Grace: Mercy and Forgiveness"			
Scripture	Isaiah 55:1-9		
_	Luke 13:1-9		
Liturgist	Chuck Lewis		
Acolytes	Violet Eason and Connor Hogan		
Counters	Max McCarley and Karen Swenson		
Sunday, March 6:			
"Portrait of Grace: The Prodigal"			

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Scripture	Joshua 5:9-12
	Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32
Liturgist	Dylan Richardson
Acolytes	Landon and Braxton Anderson
Counters	Mark Dalhoff and Mary Ann Miles

February Ushers: Becomers Class March Ushers: Legacy Class March Covered Dish: Koinonia Class

Holy Week Services

Come to church full of excitement on **Palm Sunday, March 20**, as we remember Jesus' entry into Jerusalem with a procession of palm branches and a choir canata at our **11:00 am** worship service!

On **Monday–Friday, March 21-25**, the Nacogdoches Ministerial Alliance will hold

> Holy Week services at **noon** in the Sanctuary of FUMC Nacogdoches, followed by a lunch at 12:30.

On **Monday**, Pastor Lani will be the liturgist. On **Tuesday**, Rev. Tom Teekell will preach. On **Wednesday**, Perritte will usher and serve chicken spaghetti lunch.

Join us here on **Thursday**, **March 24**, at **6:00 pm**, for a Maundy Thursday service with communion.

Rejoice in the resurrection with us on **Easter Sunday, March 27**, as we gather for

breakfast at 9:15 am, Sunday school at 10:00 am, and the most joyful worship of the year at 11:00 am!



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Visit us online at www.perritteumc.org

All members of the church are ministers of the Gospel, equipped for sharing the grace of God with the assistance of:

Music Director	Nicole Stewart
Accompanist	Jim Faucett
Nursery Supervisor	Amanda Tillis
Secretary	Susan Teekell
Custodian	Betty White
Pastor	Lani Rousseau

Messenger deadline is 10 am every other Monday. The next newsletter will go out on **March 8** To submit articles or if you have additions, deletions, or changes to the church calendar contact Susan Teekell at 564-8427 or info@perritteumc.org