

Perritte Memorial Messenger

United Methodist Church

Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World

April 5, 2016

A Disciple's Path

NEWS BRIEFS

Fun and Fellowship
On Tuesday, April 12, at 11:30
am, join us for a pot luck meal
as we experience a virtual
Wesley Heritage Tour of
England with Susan Teekell.

Harvest House Food Drive Through the first Sunday in May, help out one of our local food pantries by donating nonperishables in the "Harvest Blessings" basket in Memorial Hall.

Canning Jars Needed!

It's almost time to start canning items for the Bazaar. Becky Byars is looking for:

1/2 pint (wide or regular,)
Pint (wide or regular,) and
Quart (wide-mouth only) jars
made by Ball, Kerr, or Mason.
If you have any of these jars that
you are willing to donate, please
leave them in the kitchen or
Memorial Hall. Thank you!

East/West District Camp June 13-17, 2016

"Walk by Faith not by Sight" Lakeview offers summer camp for rising 4th graders through graduating High School Seniors. The cost per camper is \$275 for early registration by April 13th. Make checks out to Perritte, and turn in with completed registration forms, available in the church office, along with scholarship applications.

New Covenant Sunday is Coming

Congregations that approach financial stewardship from a biblical perspective do not view the money Christians give to their church merely as a way to pay its bills. Rather, such congregations see financial contributions as a way to help people grow spiritually in their relationship with God by supporting their church's mission and ministry with a percentage of their incomes.

Our congregation's finance committee has selected the New Covenant Sunday Stewardship Program as a way to teach the biblical and spiritual principles of generous giving in our stewardship education emphasis this year.

New Covenant Sunday is based on the biblical philosophy of the need of the giver to give for his or her own spiritual development, rather than on the need of the church to receive. Instead of treating people like members of a social club who should pay dues, we will treat people like followers of Jesus Christ who want to give unselfishly as an act of discipleship. New Covenant Sunday encourages people toward proportionate and systematic giving in response to the question, "What percentage of my income is God calling me to give?"

During morning worship on New Covenant Sunday, we are asking our attendees and members to make their financial commitments to our church's missionary, benevolent, and educational ministries in this community and around the world, along with commitments of their prayers, presence, service, and witness.

Every attendee and member who completes a Commitment Card does so voluntarily by attending morning worship on New Covenant Sunday. We urge people to attend who feel strongly opposed to completing a card. The procedure is done in such a way that no one feels embarrassment if he or she chooses not to fill out a card.

We will do no home solicitation to ask people to complete cards. During morning worship our guest leader will conduct a brief period of instruction and inspiration, climaxed by members making their commitments as a confidential act of worship.

We will encourage participation in New Covenant Sunday events through the New Covenant Sunday team and governing board members. Since we will make no follow-up visits to ask people to complete their cards, we will make every effort to inform, inspire, and commit everyone to attend New Covenant Sunday worship.

Thanks in advance for your enthusiastic participation in New Covenant Sunday events.

Stewardship Chair, Mark Dalhoff





Pastor's Corner

A Disciple's Path is our sermon series for the next several weeks. Our mission statement for Perritte and the greater United Methodist Church is "to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world." A broad statement for sure and one that begs, how do we make disciples? What do disciples do? We will look from a very Wesleyan perspective at a holy life that involves the whole of ourselves in community as the Body of Christ, specifically focusing on the commitments we make as United Methodists to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness.

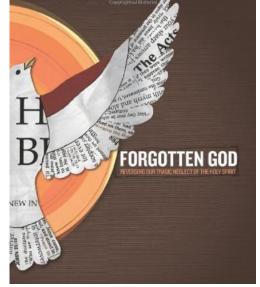
Discipleship in the Wesleyan tradition is an invitation to a new way of living in which we learn to love God with our whole hearts, minds, and strength and love others the way have been loved by God. Jesus issues the invitation to "Follow me!" as readily today as when he called the first disciples. We have all been called, invited to follow Jesus and to grow in our relationship with God and each other. I hope that you will make an effort to attend all the Sundays in the series, as we journey along the Disciple's Path together.

-Pastor Lani

Francis Chan's "Forgotten God: Reversing Our Tragic Neglect of the Holy Spirit"

In April, the Book Club is reading Forgotten God:
Reversing Our Tragic neglect of the Holy Spirit by Francis
Chan. Chan contends that we've ignored the Spirit for far too long. Thorough scriptural support and compelling narrative form Chan's invitation to stop and remember the One

to stop and remember the One we've forgotten, the Spirit of the living God. Bring a snack to share as we will meet for discussion at the Bouldin's home (3501 Chimney Rock) on **Thursday, April 28,** at **6:30 pm.**



We Remember in Prayer

Those who need healing

Dale & Morris Ward Jim Permeske John Clark Caleb (connected to Max McCarley)

Those who are homebound or in long-term care

Rev. Edwin & Maurine McDaniel Steve Stovall Mary Thrash Helen Walker Rebecca Yarbrough Forrest Garrett

Those who are grieving

Those serving in the Armed Forces and their families

Our Gifts

Received 04/03/16	
ZOE	165.83
Flowers	10.00
Altar—HOPE	12.00
Wond. Wed. (Missions)	69.75
General Donations	7,183.75
Total Deposits	\$7,441.33

Wanted:

Leaders who want to explore the Word of God with children!

At Surf Shack VBS, we will help our children catch the wave of God's amazing love through missions, dramas, crafts, games, science activities, music, and lots of fun! VBS will run from Monday, June 20, through Thursday, June 23.

Sign up for a Vacation Bible School leadership role and join us in the excitement at Surf Shack: Catch the Wave of God's Amazing Love! Contact Nicole

Stewart through the church office to volunteer.



Birthdays & Anniversaries

April

- 2 Mike Gandy Susan Teekell
- 3 *David & Dawn Welch
- 4 *Kenneth & Janice Beck
- B Daniel Johnson *Jesse & Virginia Harris
- 9 Amelia Fleniken Sidney Reynolds
- 10 Sidney Hartz
- 13 Jared Swenson
- 14 Virginia Reneau
- 18 Rebecca Yarbrough
- 21 Vonnie Johnson Joan Greenly
- 26 Susan Stoner
- 30 Allison Beck

Calendar

Wednesday, April 6

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

7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 107

7:00 pm Choir

Thursday-Saturday, April 7-9

No Scheduled Events

Sunday, April 10

8:00 am Men's Breakfast 9:00 am Prayer Partners

9:45 am Morning Fellowship—Memorial Hall

10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship

12:00 pm **Missions meeting**

No Youth

Monday, April 11

8:00 am Pie Crust

7:00 pm Cub Scouts Pack 107

Tuesday, April 12

8:00 am Quilters

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Thursday-Saturday, April 14-16

No Scheduled Events

Sunday, April 17

9:00 am Prayer Partners—Pastor's Office 9:45 am Morning Fellowship—Memorial Hall

10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship

No Youth

Monday, April 18

8:00 am Pie Crust

6:00 pm Girl Scout Troop 1025 7:00 pm Cub Scouts Pack 107

Tuesday, April 19

8:00 am Quilters

Chairished Blessings Roadshow Dinner

As you're doing your spring cleaning, you find items in a closets and wonder if they are worth anything. Join us to find out on **Saturday**, **May 14**, as we gather together for an evening of food and fellowship to support Love INC. Chuck and Susan Lewis will be on hand to appraise your treasures while we enjoy a spaghetti supper cooked by the Tillis family. Clean out those closets and come join the fun!

Worship's Coming

Sunday, April 10:

"A Disciple's Path: Presence"

Scripture Hebrews 10:23-25

John 15:1-11

Liturgist Karen Swenson

Acolytes James Teekell and Matthew Smith Counters Brandi Dalhoff and Chuck Lewis

Sunday, April 17:

"A Disciple's Path: Gifts"

Scripture 1 Chronicles 29:14-17

Matthew 6:19-33

Liturgist Carol Wilson

Acolytes Marci Bridges and Jake Berry
Counters Kaye Monzingo and Gary Johnson

April Ushers: Koinonia Class May Covered Dish: Legacy Class

UMCOR Sager Brown Mission Trip

Perritte is sponsoring a mission team of 10 (6 spots still available) people to travel to UMCOR's Baldwin, La., relief-supply depot to help assemble, verify, and pack relief-supply kits so that they can be sent to the areas where they are needed most. Trip dates are **August 7-12, 2016**, and Richard Locke is team leader.

The United Methodist Committee on Relief, UMCOR, is a ministry of The United Methodist Church through the General Board of Global Ministries and has provided humanitarian relief and disaster response in the United States and internationally for 75 years. Their efforts are targeted in places where natural disasters, war, or conflict have done so much damage that communities are unable to recover on their own.

If you are interested in participating in this trip, please call Kaye Monzingo, 936-552-7058, or the church office and let us know ASAP.

Wesley Foundation Benefit Auction

On **Saturday, May 7**, at **5:00 pm**, join us for a fun evening of food and entertainment as you support the SFA Wesley Foundation. In the Fellowship Hall of FUMC Nacogdoches, enjoy a live and silent auction along with dinner entertainment by comedian Clay Walker. Perritte will buy a table for 8 people. Please call the church office to reserve your seat for \$40.

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Our Mission

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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
Accompanist
Nursery Supervisor
Secretary
Custodian
Pastor

Nicole Stewart
Amanda Tillis
Susan Teekell
Betty White
Lani Rousseau