



Perritte Memorial Messenger

United Methodist Church

Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World

March 7, 2017

News Briefs

Time Change

Set your clocks forward an hour before you go to bed this **Saturday, March 11**, so that you can spring forward with Daylight Savings Time!

Fun & Fellowship

A.M. Smith will reminisce through the history of Perritte with us for March's meeting at **11:30 am on Tuesday, March 14**. Bring a dish to share as we eat and visit!

Men's Walk to Emmaus

Call Doug or Karen Swenson at 569-9934 for information about this retreat on **March 23-26**.

Corrected Cookbooks for Sale

The Cookbook Committee has corrected copies of "Feeding the Flock" for sale in the church office for \$5 each. If you already have a cookbook, and would like a copy of the corrections, Susan Teekell in the church office can help you.

VBS Dates!

Sunday-Thursday, June 18-22



Spring Fling on April 8!

Spring Fling is coming soon! On **Saturday, April 8**, 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:

Help in Advance:

The Easter Box in Memorial Hall is full of empty Easter eggs—take some to fill and return your bag of counted eggs by **April 5!**

The Easter Box will also accept your donations of Easter eggs and candy for the egg hunt.

Also, watch for a poster listing items that we will need supplied/donated. Take a paper "egg" with an item on it and return it by the date on the "egg."

Help on the day of Spring Fling:

We are looking for volunteers to serve as arts & crafts table coordinator, egg hiders, game booth hosts, face painters, and bounce house monitors.

Remember that this is a great outreach event from our church to families in our neighborhood—we will 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 **Kelly Allensworth** at **940.577.6666** or spclkaa@att.net.

Mission Focus

It's never too late to bring new underwear, socks, and shoes for children in our community to continue March's mission focus, Undie Sunday!

In April, the Missions Committee is asking for baby food, formula, and diapers. Our boys in Confirmation went to HOPE last Sunday and learned that they never have enough baby supplies to meet their clients' needs. Please bring baby items on **Sunday, April 2**, to support a familiar mission in a new way.

Holy Week Activities

Palm Sunday on **April 9**

Holy Week Services

Monday-Friday, April 10-14, at **noon** at FUMC

Seder Meal

Maundy Thursday, April 13, at **6:00 pm**, followed by potluck

Tenebrae Service

Choir cantata on **Good Friday, April 14**, at **6:00 pm**.

Easter Sunday on **April 16**

Worship at **8:00 am** on the lawn, followed by Pancake Breakfast, Sunday School at **10:00 am**, and Traditional Worship at **11:00 am**.



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Pastor's Corner

My Preparation for Easter

Lent is a time to prepare for Easter. It is a necessary prelude. The death and resurrection of Christ are true whether or not I prepare for Easter. However, without my heart and life being ready, I may not experience the depth and power of Christ's death and resurrection. "Discipline" was never a favorite word of mine...yet during the time called Lent, we are invited to discipline our spiritual lives: devote time to Bible study and prayer, spend time with God in silence listening for His directions, add some commitments to servant ministry to your calendar, make some calls and reach out to heal some old relationships... The Board of Discipleship has some suggestions for helping each of us be more intentional during these forty days of preparation before Easter arrives. Read the list below. Pray that God would help you thoughtfully and seriously respond. *Then check the ones you desire or feel prompted to do; circle the ones you then are committed to do.*

Inward and Personal Disciplines

- ___ Spend time alone with God each day in silence.
- ___ Read a book for inner growth.
- ___ Read through the gospels that the stories for the next few weeks come from – Matthew and John.
- ___ Begin to keep a journal of prayer concerns, questions, reading.
- ___ Focus on thanksgiving, rather than on asking, in prayer.
- ___ Give myself a gift of three hours to do something I always say I don't have time to do.
- ___ Make a list of people with whom I need to be reconciled. Pray for them and let Jesus guide me in my thinking and feeling toward them.
- ___ Take control of my life by _____

This journey through Lent can be a time of deep spiritual growth. I will pray that you will find it to be true for you,
Pastor Barbara

We Remember in Prayer

Those who need healing

Rev. Lani Rousseau	Floyd Tillis, Jr.	Pete Dailey
Janice McDaniel	Don Williams	Keith Lumpkins
Dennis Carpenter	Edwin McDaniel	Sandra York
PeggyJane Barfield-Cook	Rhonda Radley	Max Radley

Those who are homebound or in long-term care

Steve Stovall	Helen Walker	Forrest Garrett	Charles Holbrook
Lorraine Hensley	Rebecca Yarbrough		

Those who are grieving

Dale Ward, brother of Kaye Monzingo
Bryon Williams, friend of the Byars family

Those serving in the Armed Forces and their families

Our Presence

February Worship Attendance

2/5/17	85
2/12/17	83
2/19/17	81
2/26/17	78

Avg. Feb. Worship Attendance 82

Avg. YTD Worship Attendance 80

Lenten Bible Study

Pastor Barbara has begun a Bible study on the Holy Spirit on Mondays during Lent. She hopes that during the study we will not only learn about the Holy Spirit, but also get to know the Holy Spirit. To reach as many people as possible, she is teaching the study both at **noon** and at **6:00 pm** in the Koinonia Classroom in Memorial Hall. Please join us on **Mondays** between now and Easter!

Birthdays & Anniversaries

March

- 1 Mary Lou Mackey
- 3 Jim Rhoads
- 4 Larry Wilson
- 6 Rosa Davis
- 7 Don Rousseau
- 8 Maggie Ball
- 10 Stephen Alders
- 13 Cindi McCarley
- 14 Jake Berry
- 15 Dylan Allensworth
Zach Allensworth
- 17 Maya Jean Lathan
- 19 Eris Belk
- 20 Louise McDuffie
- 21 Libbyrose Clark
- 23 *Isaac & Traci Anderson
- 26 *Cody & Dawn (Ishmael) McGee
- 27 Sher Hanke
- 28 Hugh Byars
- 31 Yvonne Garrett

April

- 2 Mike Gandy, Susan Teekell
- 4 *Ken & Janice Beck
- 8 *Jesse & Virginia Harris
- 9 Amelia Fleniken

Calendar

Weekly Events:

Sundays

9:00 am Prayer Partners
 9:45 am Morning Fellowship—Memorial Hall
 10:00 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Worship

Mondays

8:00 am Pie Crust
12:00 pm Holy Spirit Lenten Bible Study
(Feel free to bring your lunch!)
 3:30 pm Crescendo Academy of Fine Arts
6:00 pm Holy Spirit Lenten Bible Study
 7:00 pm Cub Scout Pack #107



Wednesdays

2:00 pm Men's and Women's 42 Groups
 5:30 pm Wonderful Wednesday supper
 Hosts: 3/8: Scouts 3/15: No WW
 3/22: Missions 3/29: Chuck
 4/5: UMW
 6:00 pm Adult Study
 7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop #107
 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Changes to Weekly Events:

Sunday, March 12

8:00 am United Methodist Men Breakfast

Monday-Friday, March 13-17

NISD and SFA Spring Break

Tuesday, March 14

11:30 am Fun & Fellowship, Perritte's history by A.M. Smith

Wednesday, March 15

No Wonderful Wednesday activities

No Choir Practice

Saturday, March 18

8:30 am East District Lay Servant Training,
 Memorial Hall, until 4:00 pm

Monday, March 20

6:00 pm Girl Scout Troop #1025

Thursday-Sunday, March 23-26

Men's Emmaus Walk

Saturday, April 1

8:00 am Church Work Day

Sunday, April 2

College Student Sunday

11:00 am Hearts Afire (Wesley Foundation band) leads music
 12:00 pm Covered Dish
 Board of Stewards
 3:00 pm The Arbor Service

Monday, April 3

6:00 pm Girl Scout Troop #1025

Thursday, April 6

6:30 pm Round Table Scouts

Saturday, April 8

10:00 am Spring Fling, until noon



Sunday's Coming

Theme for Lent:

"Living into Our Baptism"

Sunday, March 12:

"Accept"

Scripture Genesis 12:1-9, John 3:1-17

Prayer Partners Lucy Richardson

Liturgist Brooks Kennemer

Acolytes Braxton and Caleb Anderson

Counters Chuck Lewis

Sunday, March 19:

"Confess"

Scripture Exodus 17:1-7, John 4:5-42

Prayer Partners Vonnie Johnson, Susan Teekell

Liturgist Gary Johnson

Acolytes James Teekell and Matthew Smith

Counters Gary Johnson

Sunday, March 26:

"Nurture"

Scripture 1 Samuel 16:1-13, John 9:1-41

Prayer Partners Mary Lou Mackey

Liturgist Kay Teekell

Acolytes Marci Bridges and Patricia Laird

Counters Max McCarley and Karen Swenson

College Student Sunday, April 2:

"Believe"

Scripture Ezekiel 37:1-14, John 11:1-45

Prayer Partners Karen Swenson

Liturgist Karen Swenson

Acolytes Violet Eason and Connor Hogan

Counters Mark Dalhoff and Mary Ann Miles

March Ushers: Legacy Class

April Covered Dish: Becomers Class

April Ushers: Koinonia Class

Prayer Room Open

Thanks to several church members, the Prayer Room is now clean and ready for prayer again! Prayer Partners will meet there on Sunday morning, and you are welcome to use the room for prayer at any time. Contact Vonnie Johnson to borrow a key.



Church Work Day

Plan to join us **Saturday, April 1**, as many hands make light work. Come at **8:00 am** to clean up around the church, both inside and outside, as we prepare for Easter. We hope to have all the work completed before noon.



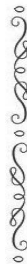
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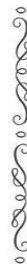
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All members of the church are ministers of the Gospel,
equipped for sharing the grace of God with the assistance of:

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

Messenger deadline is 10 am on the day before the first Tuesday of the month.

The next newsletter will go out on **April 4**

To submit articles or if you have additions, deletions, or changes to the church calendar contact
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