

The Messenger

Perry United Methodist Church

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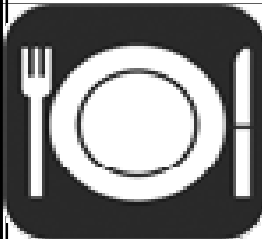
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A "NEW" WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER!



I'm looking forward to Family Night Suppers beginning in the fall on September 3. I hope you are as excited as I am! We begin with Rev. Jenny presenting the first of five programs on "Major Methodist Beliefs." I'm sure all of us need to be reminded of what we learned when we joined the church, as well as concepts that we just may not have learned.

Programs are already being scheduled for the remainder of the fall. There are still a few dates left, so if you have suggestions, please get in touch with me. Your suggestions last spring were great.

You saw in last week's Messenger that we are making a few changes. Yes, it's true, there are no more sign-ups. All you have to do is come and pay at the door. Meals will cost \$5/adult, \$3/child, and the maximum for a family is \$20. We think this will be much easier for everyone. Serving will begin at 5:15 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. On first Wednesdays there will still be a drawing for a birthday cake, and the other Wednesdays there will be a door prize just as we had last year. Programs will be from 6 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

This is a great opportunity to fellowship together, enjoy a good meal, and you may just learn something.

See You Wednesday, September 3

Martha Johnson, WMS Program Chair

The Church At Worship

9:00 AM and 11:00 AM
Rev. Jenny Jackson-Adams

No Evening Worship Service

**Enjoy Labor Day
September 1**

SUNDAY WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS - August 31

Greeters:

9:00 a.m. - Don and Nancy Golder

11:00 a.m. - Darrell and Kate Lewis

Acolytes:

9:00 a.m. - Jackie Baird
John Edward Baird

11:00 a.m. TBA

"Exploring Membership in Perry UMC"

For **5 Wednesdays** beginning Sept. 3, at 6 - 6:30 P.M., our Senior Pastor, Rev. Jenny Jackson-Adams will present an overview with PowerPoint visuals about **Major Methodist Beliefs**. If you are interested in learning more about the United Methodist Church, its theology and traditions, as well as the "method" of Methodism, you are invited to join in. Childcare will be provided. Hope to see you on Wednesdays in the fellowship hall.

**Prime
Time
Luncheon**



**Thursday
September 4
12:00 Noon**

**Jane Kimbrel, Director of Music
Ministries at Perry United
Methodist Church presents
"Samuel Wesley (1766 - 1837):
Music and Methodism"**

Make your reservations by 9:00 a.m. on the Tuesday before the luncheon. If you make a reservation and find that you cannot attend, please call the church office and cancel by 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday before the luncheon. If cancellation is not made by the deadline, the payment of \$5 per person is due. For reservations call 987-1852.

**AN INVITATION TO
ALL WOMEN OF PUMC**

**Please come to the UMW
Fall Salad Supper**

**Monday, September 8
6:00 PM
Fellowship Hall**

**For more information call
Marguerite Messer at 987-2364**



Salad Supper

**COLLEGE AND CAREER
SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS - Ages 18 and Up**

Your email addresses are needed!

**Please contact Beth Cleveland with this information.
825-7276 or treepete@aol.com**

PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY:

Justin Dunnam, brother of Aimee Curtis;

Capt. Elmo Cooper Wright, III, **Lt. William R. Wright**, grandsons of Elmo and Elaine Wright;

Capt. Brandon Perdue, **Lt. Barrett Perdue**, **Capt. Jeff McFarland**, **PFC John Lane Sirmon**, grandsons of Rene Fendley Sirmon and John Sirmon

Lt. Phillip Ferris, son of Mark and Gloria Ferris

**THE 2008 PICTORAL DIRECTORY
HAS ARRIVED!**

Available in the church office and following the morning worship services near the entrances to the sanctuary.
One per household please.

Music Notes



**Sanctuary Choir Christmas Cantata
Rehearsals Begin Wednesday**

This is a great time to join the Sanctuary Choir. Beginning on Wednesday, September 3, from 6:45-7:20 in the choir room, we will begin rehearsing Joseph Martin's *A Festival of Lessons and Carols*, to be presented on Sunday morning, December 14. This newly composed work (2008), which includes over 20 classic carols incorporated with new seasonal selections, will be accompanied by a professional orchestra and our own Sanctuary Bells. If you enjoy singing familiar Christmas carols, please consider joining the choir for the Christmas season. We would love to have you!

**Children's Choirs Kickoff Wednesday
(WASP)**

We're calling ALL kids ages 4 through 5th grade to participate in children's programming this fall! Beginning this Wednesday, September 3, from 3:45-5:15 we will begin working on a Christmas musical by Kathie Hill, *Operation Christmas Child*. This musical was composed to promote the shoe box ministry of the Christian relief organization, Samaritan's Purse, and is an interactive experience to involve our children in children's outreach. It emphasizes the gift of Jesus' birth and the motive for sharing our blessings with others. Our performance will be presented on Sunday, December 7 at 4:00, and will include lots of music, costuming and speaking parts, with lights, cameras and action!

Perry PraiSing Update

The Perry PraiSing was a huge success! Our church was represented by thirty Sanctuary Choir and Sanctuary Bells participants. The mass choir produced a glorious choral sound, and our handbell group was described by a minister who spoke during the service as sounding like "bells from heaven." Our ringers and singers contributed much to this worship service. I deeply appreciate each of you. Nearly 350 were in attendance, making the event one of the most well supported in recent years.

Sanctuary Choir Introit

The choral introit for Sunday, *Companion Song*, was the theme song used by a Bible study group in our church who recently completed their study, "Companions in Christ." *Companion Song* was written by Marjorie J. Thompson, spiritual director for "Companions in Christ" at the Upper Room Ministries in Nashville, Tennessee. Musical composer Dean McIntyre is Director of Music Resources at the United Methodist Board of General Discipleship. The text of *Companion Song* wonderfully affirms our spiritual journey together.



*Blessings,
Jane*

God's Big Backyard Children's Ministry!

We Need The Following:

God's Big Backyard is in need of a few items: a small copy machine for the SS Teacher's Resource Room and beanbag chairs for our new Special Needs Classroom... if anybody has these items and would be willing to donate them to the church, please contact Krissy at the church office.



WASP Kick-Off

WEDNESDAY AFTER SCHOOL
PROGRAM KICKS OFF SEPT. 3RD

3:45-5:15 PM

COME FOR A PEP RALLY OF EXCITEMENT WITH A VIDEO AND POPCORN AND THE NEW MUSICAL PRESENTED AND A ROTATION OF STATIONS FROM DRAMA TO BIBLE STUDY TO CHOIR TO FUN-FILLED ACTIVITY TIME!

YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THE FUN!

Parents will register children for WASP 08-09 at arrival Wednesday afternoon... All children will meet in the Back Porch this week and then be divided into their rotation groups. This year will include a full Musical Production with parts and songs and costumes, so even if your child hasn't tried it before, we encourage them to try it this year! If you have any questions about this weekly program, feel free to call Krissy or Jane at the Church Office.

YOUTH NEWS

Fall Planning Meeting



Labor Day

**August 31, 2008
NO UMYF HAVE A
GREAT HOLIDAY
WEEKEND!**

September 7, 2008

5:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

We will have a meeting to discuss upcoming events. All youth and parents are encouraged to attend. We will form Youth Council for the 2008-2009 school year and go over the calendar. This is an opportunity for all youth and adults to consider the gifts the Lord has given them and decide how to use them to best serve this group.

COMMUNITY WIDE 5TH QUARTER GET-TOGETHER

September 5, 2008 10-12 p.m.

The Youth Pastors of Perry Community Churches are working together to bring 5th quarter to all of our Youth on Home Game Friday nights. The first event will be hosted by the **First Baptist Church** on September 5, 2008. The Guest Speaker is our own Kyle Barfield and the guest band will be "The Pulse".



DRAMA PRACTICE

All youth interested in participating in Dinner Theatre should come to practice September 7, at 4:00 p.m. We will be reading and assigning parts for another installment of Cricket County. Dinner Theatre is scheduled for December 1 and 2, 2008

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Calendar of Events

Sunday, August 31

9:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School
11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
7:00 p.m. - No Evening Worship

Monday, September 1

Labor Day - Church Office Closed
7:00 p.m. - CenterStage for Christ Rehearsal

Wednesday, September 3

3:45 p.m. - WASP - After School Activities
5:15 p.m. - Wednesday Night Supper - Fellowship Hall
6:45 p.m. - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 4

12:00 p.m. - Prime Time Luncheon - Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. - Old Testament Bible Study -Conference Room

Friday, September 5

10:00 a.m. - Old Testament Bible Study - Conference Room

Attendance Report - August 24, 2008

Morning Worship	503
9:00 a.m.	214
11:00 a.m.	289
Sunday School	297
UMYF	55

Financial Report - Week 34

Budget Needed Weekly:	22,376.25
Budget Receipts Aug. 24	24,300.50
Needed Year to Date:	760,792.50
Disbursements to Date:	742,140.63
Received Year to Date:	645,189.26

Other Contributions:

Benevolence Comm.	200.00
Mission Outreach SS Class	50.00
Memorials	195.00

Church Staff and Our Methodist Connection

Rev. Jenny Jackson-Adams	Senior Pastor
Rev. Roland Fall	Associate Pastor for Congregational Care
Rev. Billy Kimbrel	Associate Pastor for Evangelism
Dr. Billy Key	Pastor Emeritus
Krissy Pope	Children's Pastor & Dir. Of Christian Ed.
Jane Kimbrel	Minister of Music
Miriam Marchetti	Music Associate/Pianist

John Williams, Building Supt.	<u>Nursery Workers</u>
Leslie Mercer, Financial Secretary	Christie Rooks
Ginger Vance, Admin. Assistant	Linda Hall
Grace Daniel, Organist	Amanda Suttmueller
Deborah Walker, Pianist	Lisa Mixon
Alice Releford, Custodian	

Bishop B. Michael Watson	Resident Bishop
Rev. Ronnie Wills	District Superintendent

Mission . . . Possible!

The Missions Committee wants you to be in the know about the mission work of PUMC. Each week we'll be highlighting mission projects. This week we are celebrating.....

A Mission Trip to Mexico



Eddie Coffee recently represented our congregation during a United Methodist Volunteers in Missions (VIM) trip to la Union, Mexico. Eddie joined 8 fellow United Methodists from the South GA. Conference to offer assistance and share the love of God in personal way. This group offered an afternoon Bible school to the Mexican people and worked side by side with them to help complete a beautiful church. One project was to fence the perimeter of the church property. The fence was made with a concrete block base and topped with chain link fencing. Another project was to design a garden patio. Eddie had the opportunity to use his decorative concrete skills to turn a simple garden patio into a unique work of art. In the center of the patio he designed a cross to face the east, symbolizing the return of Christ. In the near future Eddie will present his life changing mission trip in detail during a Wednesday Night Supper program.

New Mission Trip Planned

The missions committee is recruiting five people to travel to Nicaragua with a local missions group to build five houses during the week of November 8-15, 2008. Would you like to be one of the five? Please contact Brian Bowen at blbowen@aol.com or Rev. Fall or Rev. Kimbrel at 987-1852.



THANK YOU

Thank you for all the kind and loving expressions of sympathy that you expressed to our family. Your prayers, cards, beautiful flowers, food, and kind words are deeply appreciated. We are grateful for all the wonderful memories that have enriched our lives.

Love in Christ,
The Family of Lucy Talton

Inez Ellis and Una Martin, sisters of Lucy Talton, extend to the congregation their deep appreciation and gratitude for your comforting words and many prayers on the loss of their sister.