

The Messenger

Perry United Methodist Church

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Perry, Georgia is an active and growing community. There are homes still being constructed on empty lots and existing homes sold and bought. Unfamiliar faces are turning up everywhere—in grocery stores, in restaurants, in the downtown shops. Now it's time to make sure those faces have a welcome place to worship.

Perhaps you have a new neighbor who is home every Sunday morning. Visit with them and invite them to Perry United Methodist Church's Annual Friendship Sunday on September 21st. We'll have a tent on the front lawn with refreshments for all, a special gift bag for our first time visitors and balloons for all!

Don't limit your invitations to new folks in town. There are lots of established residents of Perry and surrounding communities who have not yet found a church home. Now is the chance for you to offer to bring them with you on Friendship Sunday so they can visit our church.

Remember that where the children go, the parents go, so let your children make those important invitations, too. We have a place at Perry United Methodist Church for all the members of a family, and we want to make sure our visitors know that.

Christ commissioned us to go out and make disciples of all peoples, so now is the time to show Christ that we are an obedient church. Bring someone to Friendship Sunday on September 21.

Perry United Methodist Church Evangelism Committee

The Church At Worship

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

7:00 PM
Rev. Billy Kimbrel

Special Music

SUNDAY WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS - *September 21*

Greeters:

9:00 a.m. - Rob Tuggle
Jim and Lacey Cawthon
11:00 a.m. - Joe and Shirley Davis

Acolytes:

9:00 a.m. - Ada Harrison
Lydia Prichard
11:00 a.m. - TBA

THE METHODIST HOME FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

**CHILDREN'S HOME
WORK DAY OFFERING**

**SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 21**

Mission . . . Possible!

The Missions Committee is sponsoring an upcoming drama production by the CenterStage for Christ Ministries. All proceeds will benefit Perry UMC missions.

The Mystery of Montley's Manor
A Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre
By Kimberlee R. Mendoza

Dates: September 22nd, 23rd, and 25th

Time: 7:30 PM

Place: PUMC Fellowship Hall

Menu: Spaghetti, Salad, Bread, Chocolate Éclair Dessert

Tickets: \$10.00 Sales begin on September 3rd at Family Night Supper. Tickets will be available before and after church services beginning on September 7th and will be available anytime in the church office. Bring your friends to this exciting dinner theatre production and help to support missions in our church.

New Mission Trip Planned

The missions committee is sponsoring 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? For more information contact Brian Bowen at blbowen@aol.com or Rev. Fall or Rev. Kimbrel at 987-1852.

Music Notes



A Note About the
Friendship Sunday Anthem.....

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms is an arrangement of the beloved gospel hymn by A.J. Showalter (1858-1924) and Elisha A. Hoffman (1839-1929). Showalter, a pious Presbyterian layman, composed the words and melody of the refrain, which was inspired by a verse from Deuteronomy 33:27: "*The eternal God is your refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms.*" Showalter's friend, Elisha Hoffman, a pastor and author of over 2,000 gospel songs, added the verses. The hymn was first published in 1887.

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms is appropriate for stewardship or evangelism, and contains one basic homiletical theme, "God is our refuge and strength."

Arranger Mark Hayes is an award winning concert pianist, composer and arranger of sacred, choral, and piano and orchestral music. With over 400 published works to his credit, Mark has also recorded numerous solo piano albums and has received the Gospel Music Association's prestigious Dove Award, which is the equivalent to a Grammy in gospel music.

Blessings,
Jane

MISSION RESOURCES

The three South Georgia Mission Agencies have requested the following resources to aid them in their mission work:

Open Door Community House: Men's and women's gloves, hats, and thick socks.

The Vashti Center: School supplies, quality backpacks, low-cut (ankle) athletic socks, boxer shorts (size 12-36"), books for teens.

Wesley Community Centers: Children's books (appropriate for ages 1-4) that recognize diversity (i.e. ethnic groups, special needs).

Collection boxes will be in the Cross Way and Fellowship Hall. Requested items will be delivered to Annual Meeting, United Methodist Women, South Georgia Conference, Americus First UMC, on October 18.

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 weekend is the last chance to
sign up for the

Heart of the Matter

Women's Conference in Augusta
scheduled for October 4.

Registration brochures available
at the church office.

PUMC Children and Youth Ministry News



Is UMYF going on a Picnic?

This week, join us for a special, never-done-before, event in the Children & Youth Departments at Perry UMC...

The children and youth will be joined for a night of fun together! There will be games, snack supper (no need for children to bring picnic supper), Miss Krissy will speak, and we will have fellowship with all ages!

5-6:30 pm

Children will meet in the Back porch and we will head over to the Youth Center together!

Hope to see you all for this special night!



Children and Youth Upcoming Calendar Dates:

Sunday, September 21st Friendship Sunday

Sunday, September 21st 4:00 Youth Drama Practice

Wednesday, September 24th 7:30 am Youth Prayer Breakfast

Wednesday, September 24th 3:45 WASP

Next Weekend, September 26-28th KidzQuest at Epworth

Families, Don't forget the CenterStage for Christ production of
"The Mystery of Montley Manor"
Next Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, the 22nd, 23rd, and 25th at 7pm.
Tickets are \$10

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Calendar of Events

Sunday, September 21 - FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School
4:00 p.m. - Youth Drama Practice
5:00 p.m. - PICNIC and MYF
5:30 p.m. - Sanctuary Bells Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. - Evening Worship

Monday, September 22

4:30 p.m. - Ladies Bible Study
6:15 p.m. - Handbell Quartet Rehearsal
6:45 p.m. - Ladies Bible Study - Conference Room
7:30 p.m. - CenterStage for Christ SHOWTIME - Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, September 23

11:00 a.m. - JOY Choir Rehearsal
2:00 p.m. - Staff Meeting - Conference Room
7:30 p.m. - CenterStage for Christ SHOWTIME - Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, September 24

7:30 p.m. - Youth Prayer Breakfast
3:45 p.m. - WASP - Wednesday After School Program
5:15 p.m. - Wednesday Night Supper - Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m. - Ladies' Ensemble Rehearsal
6:45 p.m. - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 25

7:00 p.m. - Old Testament Bible Study -Conference Room
7:30 p.m. - CenterStage for Christ SHOWTIME - Fellowship Hall

Friday, September 26

10:00 a.m. - Old Testament Bible Study - Conference Room
4:00 p.m. - KidzQuest Trip - See Children's Page

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Open To All Women

Come join us at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesdays in the Conference Room. We will be studying "Hearing God's Voice" by Priscilla Shirer. Study begins on September 24

Joe and Margie Hawk's grandson, Aiden, is in the Cincinnati Children's Hospital.

Church Staff and Our Methodist Connection

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| 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 |

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| 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 | |

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| Bishop James R. King, Jr. | Resident Bishop |
| Rev. Ronnie Wills | District Superintendent |

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Wednesday Night Supper

September 24 - Fellowship Hall

Serving Supper: 5:15 p.m. ~ 6:00 p.m.

No Registration Required

Program: 6:00 p.m. ~ 6:30 p.m.

Session #4

"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.

Attendance Report - September 14, 2008

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| Morning Worship | 502 |
| 9:00 a.m. | 219 |
| 11:00 a.m. | 283 |
| Sunday School | 302 |
| Youth | 54 |

Financial Report - Week 37

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| Budget Needed Weekly: | 22,376.25 |
| Budget Receipts Sept. 14 | 30,021.02 |
| Needed Year to Date: | 827,921.25 |
| Disbursements to Date: | 811,524.38 |
| Received Year to Date: | 762,104.28 |
| Other Contributions: | |
| Memorial/Honorarium | 25.00 |

Epworth By The Sea

A Family New Year's Celebration!

December 31, 2008 - January 2, 2009

For more information visit www.epworthbythesea.org
or call 912-638-8688.