

# The Messenger

## Perry United Methodist Church

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## THE WEEPING TREE

The Sanctuary Choir will present *The Weeping Tree* on **Maundy Thursday**, April 9, at 7:00pm in the sanctuary. Instrumentalists from the Macon Symphony Orchestra will accompany the service, which will feature a duet by Rev. Bill Jackson-Adams and Miriam Marchetti, the Ladies' Ensemble, and readers Claire Flowers and Dennis Hooper.

The central focus of the work is the "weeping tree" (or cross), which has been designed and built by Steve Gray, and some of the symbols associated with the crucifixion. The cross, crown, purple robe, hammer and nails, and rose petals (symbolizing the blood) are symbols of the Christ who came to capture our hearts and minds. At the conclusion of the service, worshippers will be invited to "come to the weeping tree" to receive communion, and to leave their thumbprints on the cross. You won't want to miss this powerful service of music.

With His self-sacrifice we are shown the Way to the Truth and the Life everlasting. So open the gates to your mind and heart that the Prince of Peace may come in this Palm Sunday and remain with you through this Great and Holy Week into the joyous Resurrection Easter celebration to come.

Blessings,  
*Jane*

**April 5 - No Communion**  
**The Church At Worship ~ Palm Sunday**  
**9:00 AM and 11:00 AM**  
**Rev. Jenny Jackson-Adams**

**Evening Worship - 6:00 PM**  
**Rev. Billy Kimbrel**  
*Special Music*  
Jackie Beeland and Bill Jackson-Adams, duet

#### Greeters

9:00 a.m.  
Rick and Martha Davis

11:00  
George and Janet Nunn

#### Acolytes

9:00 a.m.  
Mary Margaret Gilbert

11:00 a.m.  
TBA

#### **HOLY WEEK SERVICES**

12:00 p.m. ~ 12:30 p.m. lunch follows

#### **Monday, April 6**

**Perry United Methodist Church**

*Rev. Ann Maroney*

#### **Tuesday, April 7**

**Perry Crossroads Church of God**

*Rev. Thad Haygood*

#### **Wednesday, April 8**

**Crossroads United Methodist Church**

*Rev. Jenny Jackson-Adams*

#### **Thursday, April 9**

**St. Patrick's Catholic Church**

*Rev. Ryan Herrington*



#### ***And the Lord Added . . .***

*Grayson Brianna Bearden, Julia Ellen Bell,  
Marti Rae Bell, Conner Perdue Cawthon,  
Korah Elizabeth Clark, James Owen  
Harrelson, Jr., Carrie Christine Kinman,  
Emily Michele Walker, Wade Knighton  
Walker, Robert Franklin Ray, III*

***Welcome!***



**INTERESTED IN JOINING  
THE PUMC SOFTBALL TEAM?**  
Contact Lon Talton - 478-988-3024

## **Music Notes**

Thanks to our **children's choirs** for singing during the services last Sunday. Your message in song was great!

On **Palm Sunday** Miriam Marchetti will sing the beautiful solo, *Via Dolorosa*, which means "Way of Sorrows."

The Sanctuary Choir, with Jackie Beeland as soloist, will sing *Open the Gates of the Temple*, a long-time favorite of the choir, directed many times by a beloved former music director who served for nearly fifty years, Mr. Francis Nunn.

Blessings,  
Jane

### **WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER** **NO Wednesday Night Supper On April 8.**

## Mission . . . Possible!

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

### **Relay for Life**

We will be having the following fundraisers. Please plan to take part in one or all.

- Family Night Supper Program on April 15
- Donuts for Dollars
- Flamingo Flocking
- Luminaire sales
- Weekly donations

The Relay will be held at the Agricenter on the weekend of May 15. If you can't walk with us, maybe you can help us by donating money, praying for us, participating in a fundraiser, or by coming by our campsite.

If you would like to join our team, e-mail Linda Mason at [evanmason@comsouth.net](mailto:evanmason@comsouth.net) or call her at 997-1582.

Interested in helping out with missions, please contact . . . Brian Bowen through the church office or at [blbowen@aol.com](mailto:blbowen@aol.com)

### **Stop by the church office And welcome Brant Pickard, PUMC's new Youth Pastor!**

## SPRINGTIME BY THE SEA

**Another Prime Time Journey**

**May 18-20**

Attending? Register at the church office **before April 15.**

Includes: Going shrimping on a working shrimp boat, Animals of Africa slide show, Exploring the environmental importance of Oyster Reef Habitat and an opportunity to bag Oyster shells, Learning about the amazing journey of Sea Turtles in Georgia and more.

Payable when you register ~  
\$251.08 per adult staying 2 adults per room  
\$312.44 adults staying single  
Make checks payable to PUMC

For more information visit [www.epworthbythesea.org](http://www.epworthbythesea.org)



To purchase Easter Lilies to be placed on the altar on Easter Sunday, please complete this form, tear it off, and put it in the offering plate, mail it to the church office or take it to the church office. Cost for each Easter Lily \$12. Deadline to purchase your Easter Lilies is Noon, Tuesday, April 7. Designate your check for Easter Lilies.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

How many lilies? \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of or Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

You can take your lilies with you after Easter Morning Service.

### **PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY:**

**Capt. Matt McNeal**, nephew of Susan Pierce

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

**Lt. Barrett Perdue, PFC John Lane Sirmon**, grandsons of Rene Fendley Sirmon and John Sirmon

**Lt. Phillip Ferris**, son of Mark and Gloria Ferris



The Children's Department at PUMC wishes everyone  
a safe and fun Spring Break!



Palm Sunday Processional  
April 5, 2009

If you would like to process at the  
9:00 service, please meet in the  
Fellowship Hall at 8:45.



If you would like to process at the  
11:00 service, please meet in the  
Fellowship Hall at 10:45 following  
Sunday School.

We will line up, carry the palms down  
and lay them on the

### PICNIC scheduled for April 5th



\*This is a change from what it  
says on your magnetic calendar!  
This is the Sunday afternoon  
that starts Spring Break...we  
**will** gather and review the 10  
Commandments and enjoy  
fellowship picnic supper and  
"Commandment Cake!"  
5-6 pm  
Back Porch

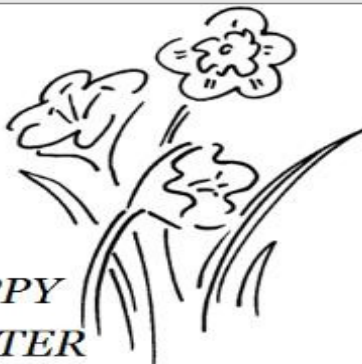
April 19th-Pets in the Park  
\*Weather permitting, we will  
make up our snow day and take  
our animal friends to Rozar Park  
for a pet PICNIC!  
Sunday, April 19th  
Rozar Park  
5-6pm



Animal treats and Scooby  
Snacks for kids will be served.  
\*\*\*In the event of rain, we will  
meet without pets at PUMC for  
our regularly scheduled picnic.

# Youth News

**NO MYF  
SPRING BREAK  
APRIL 5, 2009**



**HAPPY  
EASTER**

**APRIL 12  
NO MYF**

### YOUTH LED SERVICE

April 26, 2009 6:00 PM  
Our annual Youth Led Service is  
scheduled for the end of April.  
We need greeters, speakers,  
scripture readers, singers,  
musicians and actors. Please  
email marypumc@gmail.com  
with your commitment by April  
6, 2009.

### MYF APRIL 19, 2006

This will be **Brant Pickard's**  
first MYF with our youth. We  
would like all youth to come  
from 5:00-7:00 pm.

### MISSION TRIP JUNE 28-JULY 3, 2009

**WE WILL GO TO  
HENDERSONVILLE, NC TO WORK  
WITH SERVICE WORKS. A \$50  
REGISTRATION FEE IS DUE BY  
MARCH 22, 2009. TOTAL COST  
WILL BE \$100.00 GO TO  
www.serviceworks.org OR  
CONTACT MARY CYR OR  
WALTER GRAY FOR MORE  
INFORMATION.**

*Mission Trip  
June 28-July 3, 2009  
VBS June 22-26, 2009  
Youth Camp at Indian Springs  
July 11-17, 2009*

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## Calendar of Events

### Sunday, April 5 - PALM SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship  
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School  
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - PICNIC  
5:00 p.m. - MYF  
6:00 p.m. - Evening Worship

### Monday, April 6

12:00 p.m. - Holy Week Service - Rev. Ann Maroney - lunch follows  
4:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. - Ladies Bible Study - Conference Room

### Tuesday, April 7

9:15 a.m. - Ladies Bible Study - Conference Room  
11:00 a.m. - JOY Choir Rehearsal  
2:00 p.m. - Staff Meeting - Conference Room

### Wednesday, April 8

7:30 a.m. - Youth Prayer Breakfast - Youth Center  
9:30 a.m. - Ladies Bible Study - Conference Room  
3:45 p.m. - NO WASP - Wednesday After School Program  
5:15 p.m. - NO Wednesday Night Supper - Fellowship Hall  
6:00 p.m. - Ladies Ensemble  
6:45 p.m. - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, April 9

7:00 p.m. - Maundy Thursday Service - *The Weeping Tree*  
7:00 p.m. - NO Invitation to Psalms Bible Study - Conference Room

### Friday, April 10

9:30 a.m. - Invitation to Psalms Bible Study - Conference Room

Attendance Report 2009	March 29
Morning Worship	649
9:00 and 11:00 a.m.	245 and 404
Sunday School	336
Evening Worship	73
Youth	33

Finance Report 2009	March 29
Budget Needed Weekly	22,336.65
Budget Receipts	17,951.70
Needed Year to Date	290,376.45
Disbursements to Date	259,158.70
Received Year to Date	285,741.36
<b>Other Contributions</b>	
Memorials	325.00
Memorials/Music Dept.	55.00
Easter Lilies	207.00



**IN THE  
Hospital**

**Richard Johnson - Perry Hospital**  
**Billy Jerles - Coliseum Northside**



To Katie Andrew and family in the death of her grandfather, Jerry Alva Davis, Jr.



**DEADLINE for Messenger information  
is Friday before the next week's issue.**

#### 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
Brant Pickard	Youth Pastor
Krissy Pope	Children's Pastor & Dir. Of Christian Ed.
Jane Kimbrel	Minister of Music
Miriam Marchetti	Music Associate/Pianist

John Williams, Building Supt.  
Leslie Mercer, Financial Secretary  
Ginger Vance, Admin. Assistant  
Grace Daniel, Organist  
Deborah Walker, Pianist  
Alice Releford, Custodian  
Dicky Gilbert, Audiovisual Technician

#### Nursery Workers

Christie Rooks  
Linda Hall  
Amanda Suttmueller

Bishop James R. King, Jr.  
Rev. Ronnie Wills

Resident Bishop  
District Superintendent

#### LADIES! Save the Date!

May 2 - 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
One day Ladies' Retreat in Fellowship Hall

**"When Wallflowers Dance -  
Living Fully in Christ's Love"**

by Angela Thomas

Join us for food, fun and discussion.  
More information to come.  
Questions? Contact Nanette O'Neill

#### HAVE YOU REGISTERED????

**Prime Time "Train" Trip - April 25 - \$24.08/person**  
**Payment due at registration.**  
Sandwiches and refreshments available for purchase.

**April 5 - Palm Sunday**  
**April 9 - Maundy Thursday**  
**April 12 - Easter**