

# SUNDAY SERVICE 10:15am

# The Chimes

September 2025

ORDINARY PEOPLE — EXTRAORDINARY GOD

WORSHIP



#### A Word From Pastor Jim

We used this prayer in our opening praise and response on August 24. I wanted to share it with you all again and invite you to pray it with me:

Come Holy Spirit, and bring new life. Create a way forward where we are blocked. Renew love and passion where they have faded. Harness our desires and make your Kingdom lovely in our sight. Break off the repetitions and lead us down new and unexpected paths. Meet us where we suffer and are unfulfilled. Inspire us as we build and work and create. Give us our food in due season, and renew the face of the ground. May the glory of the Lord endure forever, may the Lord rejoice in his works!

Spirit of the living God fall afresh on us. Amen.

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**Perrysburg First Church** 







### **INFORMATION**

#### **NEW SERMON SERIES**



The Search to Belong: Series Begins September 14 thru October 5

In 2016, George Gallup declared, "Americans are among the loneliest people in the world." Things have only gotten worse.

In May 2023, the Surgeon General called loneliness in the U.S. *a public health epidemic*. A 2024 Census Bureau survey found that 40.3 % of Americans experience loneliness at least sometimes. Young adults (ages 18-25) are especially at risk. A recent Harvard study found that nearly 61% of young adults claim to be experiencing *serious loneliness*. The health impacts of this epidemic include increased risks for anxiety, depression, heart disease, and stroke. Clearly, even with the advent and growth of social media providing more ways to "connect" with others, people are still not finding what they are searching for: a meaningful life-giving connection with other people.

According to scripture, God made us relational beings created to share life together in meaningful and life-giving ways. Yet the search to belong today appears to be leaving people even more lonely. Could it be, we have been looking in all the wrong places?

Plan to join us this fall as we, together, wrestle with *The Search to Belong*.

#### SEPTEMBER PRAYER CALENDAR

September 2025 PRAYER FOCUS						
Treasurer  Matthew 6:20	Guidance Proverbs 16:9	3 Unity Romans 15:5-6	4 Presence John 1:3	5 Strength 2 Corinthians 4:7	6 Humility Acts 9:8	7 Promise Philippians 1:6
8 Generosity Luke 6:38	9 Prayer Matthew 6:6	10 Uniqueness 1 Peter 22:9	Healing Psalm 34:18	12 Calmness Philippians 4:6	Wonder Psalm 104:24	Patience 1 Thessalonians 5:14
Learning John 14:26	16 Assurance Psalm2 23:3-4	Service 1 Peter 4:10	18 Rescue Luke 10:33-34	19 Assistance Exodus 4:16	20 Shine Matthew 5:16	21 Childlike Mark 10:14
22 Encouragement 1 Thessalonians 5:11	23 Wisdom Proverbs 2:10-11	24 Fidelity Exodus 33:17	25 Provision Philippians 4:19	26 Comfort Psalm 147:3	27 Decisions Proverbs 8:11	28 Belief 1 John 5:14
29 Sincerity Psalm 145:18	30 Courage Colossians 4:6			Septe	mber	

#### **BYKOTA STARTS 9-7-25**

#### BE YE KIND ONE TO ANOTHER

The BYKOTA Adult Sunday School will return from summer break on September 7, 2025. This class is open to all adults. Our curriculum is The Wired Word, which takes headlines from the prior week and presents it from a Christian perspective. We meet at 9:00 a.m. in the multi-purpose room every Sunday morning from September through May.

#### **Events**

#### PRIME TIMERS



Fall, especially September, seems to be a time of beginnings. Kids return to school with new classes, classmates, and sometimes new schedules. Adults get new schedules too, with meetings and various commitments they have signed up to do. New beginnings can come in many forms. What is yours this fall? This is our topic of conversation this month.

Following lunch, we will work on a Christmas season craft. You can make it

for yourself or make it to give away. For that matter, you could do both!

Join together on Monday, September 8, at 12 PM in the multipurpose room. Your fantastic friends promise frivolous fun and fellowship.

#### **BED BUILD**



#### **Troop 219 Spotlight**

Troop 219's latest Eagle candidate would like to express her thanks for everyone's generous donations to the Lucan Country Canine Care and Control. She was able to collect over \$3000 worth of pet food and supplies.

Thank you for your support!



#### ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP



# 2025 Perrysburg Caregiver Support Group Schedule







Facilitated By:

Alzheimer's Association of Northwest Ohio

Meets the first Friday of the month

Perrysburg First Church 200 West 2nd Street in Perrysburg

January 3rd 12-1pm

February 7th 12-1pm March 7th 12-1pm

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April 4th 12-1pm May 2nd 12-1pm

June 6th 12-1p

July 11 12-1pm (date changed due to holiday

August 1st 12-1pm

September 5th 12-1pm

October 3rd 12-1pm

November 7th 12-1pm December 5th 12-1pm

Call 567-302-3608 for questions or to register

Registration is required each month

Build a support system with people who understand.

Alzheimer's Association support groups, conducted by trained facilitators, are a safe place for individuals caring for a loved one with dementia to:

- Develop a support system
- Exchange practical information on challenges and possible solutions
- Talk through issues
- Share feelings, needs and concerns
- Learn mindfulness techniques to bring some balance to challenging days

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# FAMILY MINISTRY

#### REGISTER FOR THE 2024-2025 CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRY:





#### 2025-2026 Kids Registration:

It's that time of year again! Time to register your child or youth for nursery, children's church, team kid, and/or youth.

Registration allows the family ministry team to learn information about your child(ren) and provides better communication about details of activities and events. Please go to our website and click "Kids Ministry" or use the QR code.

#### Team Kid meals:

Team Kid/Youth begins September 10th. We are looking for people who would be willing to provide a meal.

The details and sign-up sheet can be found at the QR code.



#### Links:

2025-2026 PFC Children & Youth Registration - Perrysburg First Church

Team Kid/Youth Meal Sign-Up

#### OUR STAFF

Senior Pastor Jim Jennings

Pastor of Family Ministry Jodi Packard

Administrative Assistant Brittany Gilpin

Treasurer Christina Lepre

Music Director Tim Cloeter

Multimedia Coordinator Dax Rice

Prime Timers
Tolanda Kronfield

Preschool Director Monica Cook (419-874-9318)

# SERVE



Food insecurity continues to rise across the communities we serve, making our commitment to finding solutions to end hunger vital.

Meijer in Rossford is again leading the Simply Give program to help stock the shelves of the Perrysburg Christian United Food Pantry. Beginning **Sunday**, **June 29**<sup>th</sup>, **through Saturday**, **September 27**<sup>th</sup>, grab a \$10 Simply Give card at the Meijer checkouts and scan it to contribute to P.C.U.

- Meijer is offering double match day opportunities on Saturday, September 13th.
   For every \$10 Simply Give card, Meijer will provide \$20 for a total of \$30 to P.C.U.
- Meijer will match up to \$5,000 in contributions made to a pantry on Double Match Day, up to \$10,000 per pantry/campaign.

Please consider shopping at Meijer during this generous Meijer campaign.

#### PERRYSBURG FIRST AND PCU

The churches of PCU are asked to contribute specific items to the food bank each month. For the month of September, we are asked to donate Hamburger Helper. In October, donations of canned beans would be appreciated. If you wish to give a monetary donation, you may do so by visiting: <a href="https://secure.myvanco.com/L-YQZA/home">https://secure.myvanco.com/L-YQZA/home</a>. Thank you for your continued support of PCU!

Donations may be made online at www.perrysburgfirst.church under 'Give'.

The submission deadline for the next Chimes newsletter is on/around the 25th of the month.

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## **Church Office Hours**

Monday - Friday: 9 am - 2 pm

Office: 419-874-1911 office@perrysburgfirst.church

There is always a chance we could be out of the office, so we encourage you to call ahead before stopping by.