



Read these scenarios and tell me if you relate to any of them:

- 1) "I really need to save money right now" - while purchasing a \$9 latte from Starbucks
- 2) "I don't care what people think about me" - while constantly replaying an interaction you had earlier in the day
- 3) "Social media is destroying the world" - while refreshing Facebook for the 17th time in 10 minutes

What is going on? How remarkable is it that we so regularly contradict everything that we think and say about ourselves? And ultimately, why do we do this?

There's a moment in the book of John, where Peter is sitting on a beach eating breakfast with a resurrected Jesus. And yet, despite this supernatural feat, Peter finds himself staring into a "heap of burning coals" seemingly unconcerned about the fact that someone, who was just crucified, is now munching on breakfast with him. Why? How could he not be present for this moment?

A charcoal fire. Three repeated questions: Do you love me? Do you love me? Do you love me?

What is really going on?

Jesus is taking Peter back to his worst moment: the night of Jesus' arrest. A moment, where Peter sits in front of a charcoal fire. A moment, where he is asked three times, "do you know this man?" A moment painstakingly etched into the walls of his heart. Jesus knows what He is doing, and it will change Peter forever.

How do our worst moments come to form the lies we tell ourselves? And what does Jesus want to do in response?

Welcome to our lighthearted church service!

Worship and Praise Gathering

Pentecost
May 24, 2026

Liturgical Color: Red
9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Rob Ray

Please register your attendance on the pads found in each pew.

Special Announcement

Buddy Roper

Call to Worship

Surely the Presence of the Lord
Nanette O'Neill, soloist

Lanny Wolfe

Hymn

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O Spirit of the Living God

*Affirmation of Faith

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The Apostles' Creed

*Gloria Patri

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Glory Be to the Father

Pastoral Prayers and the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn

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Spirit of the Living God (sing twice)

Offering

Feel free to give as you feel led

Offertory Anthem

Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me arr. K. Lee Scott
The Sanctuary Choir

*Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be;
Help me now thy grace to see, I would be like thee;
And, with words that help and heal, thy life would mine reveal;
And, with actions bold and meek, for Christ, my Savior, speak.*

*Truthful Spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be;
Help me now thy truth to see, I would be like thee.;
And, with wisdom kind and clear, thy life in mine appear;
And with actions brotherly, speak Christ's sincerity.*

*Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I would holy be;
Show thy mercy tenderly, make me more like thee;
Separate from sin, I would, and cherish all things good,
And whatever I can be, give him who gave me thee.*

*Mighty Spirit dwell with me, I would mighty be;
Help me now thy pow'r to see, I would be like thee;
'Gainst all weapons hell can wield,
Be thou my strength and shield; Let thy word my weapon be,
Lord Thine the victory.
Gracious Spirit dwell with me, I would be like thee!*

*Doxology

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Scripture Luke 22:54-62 and John 21:8, 15-17

Sermon A Heap of Burning Coals

***Hymn** 555 Forward Through the Ages

Closing Blessing

***Postlude** *Every Time I Feel the Spirit* Traditional organ

*Stand as you are able

Acolyte - Harris Coody 11:00 Crucifer: Jamison Applegate 11:00

- The Altar flowers are given in loving memory of all who made the ultimate sacrifice bravely fighting for our country. We would also like to remember our father, Ralph Tabor who faithfully served his country, as well as our mother, Elizabeth, and our brother, Art by Mary Cummings, Beth Tabor, and their families.
 - A pre-school nursery is provided for children 6 weeks to 4 years old. Children's Church is provided at 11 a.m. for children 4 years of age through their completing first grade. An usher will be happy to assist you in finding these locations in the Education building.
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Weekly Schedule

Monday, May 25

Church Office is closed

Tuesday, May 26

7 a.m. - Men's Prayer Fellowship

Wednesday, May 27

10 a.m. - Staff Meeting

5:30 p.m. - SPR Committee

Meeting in the Office

Conference Room

6:45 p.m. - Sanctuary Choir

Rehearsal

Thursday, May 28

1 p.m. - Walking in the FLC



Children's Summer Kickoff at Rigbys Water Park
SUNDAY, MAY 31 2 P.M. - 6 P.M.
\$20 PER PERSON (2 AND UNDER FREE)
PARENTS MUST STAY WITH YOUR CHILD
YOU MUST REGISTER BY MAY 27.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER OR GO TO PERRYMETHODIST.COM/CHILDREN



PRIME TIME JUNE LUNCHEON
THURSDAY, JUNE 11
12 P.M. IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
\$11 PER PERSON

Michelle Gowan of Cookie Nip will present our program. Lunch will be catered by Yoders Sandwich Shop.

Reserve your spot by calling the church office at 478-987-1852.



All Good

Children's Camp at Camp Kulaqua
July 6-10, 2026
3rd - 5th grade
\$550 per person
Scan the QR code to register



GALAXY
Launching Kids on a Mission of God's Love

WEEKEND VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
JUNE 12-14, 2026 IN THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER
SCAN THE QR CODE OR GO TO PERRYMETHODIST.COM

JUNE 12 - 6P.M.-8:30P.M. - DINNER PROVIDED
JUNE 13 - 9:30AM-2P.M. - LUNCH PROVIDED
JUNE 14 - 10AM-12P.M. - BREAKFAST PROVIDED



Prime Time Trip to Nashville
Tuesday, August 4 - Friday, August 7

We will explore Nashville together! Our trip will include a heading to the **Grand Ol Opry, Gaylord Opryland Resort, Opryland**, a dinner cruise on the **General Jackson Showboat** and so much more!

To book your spot, call Kelly Tours at 800-422-6152. Our Tour number is 27025.

Registrations and the \$500 deposit are due by June 10, 2026. The total trip cost is \$1089 per person for double occupancy or \$1449 for single occupancy. **Total payments are due by July 12, 2026.**

This trip is open to any senior who would like to attend, not just our PMC Prime Time folks. For more info, go to perrymethodist.com/ministries/older-adult