



EVERYONE MATTERS: If You Don't Go With Us

Exodus 33:12–23

This Sunday is **EVERYONE MATTERS Sunday**. We believe every person who calls Perry Methodist home has a *sweet spot*: a gift that brings them joy and helps others. We have important work to do for God. This is a battleship, not a cruise ship—and each person has something to bring.

But before we ask who will do the work, worship invites us to ask **who goes with us**.

Moses is leading a people who have failed God. The road ahead is uncertain, and Moses knows their greatest need is not a better plan or more determined effort. He pleads, *“If your presence will not go, do not bring us up from here.”* God answers, *“My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.”*

We bring our own hopes and burdens into worship: the desire to serve, the frustration of feeling alone in the work, the weariness of carrying too much, or the uncertainty of where we belong. We may also bring gratitude for those who have served faithfully and hope for those just discovering their gifts.

God meets us with presence and grace. We do not come to prove that we matter or that we have done enough. We come to seek God, receive rest, and ask how our gifts can serve God and one another.

As we worship today, may we pray with Moses: *“God, will you go with us?”* And may we leave ready to serve with joy, share the work, and make room for every person's gifts. And may we leave ready to eat soup!



Thanks!
Tom

The Service of Worship

Twenty First Sunday after Pentecost
October 18 2026

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

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Rev. Rob Ray

Prelude

Triosonate in E♭, S. 525, No. 1: Allegro
David M. Kenney, Jr.

J.S. Bach

Hymn

All Are Welcome
words on the screen

*Affirmation of Faith

881

The Apostles Creed

Gloria Patri

70

Glory Be to the Father

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn

382

Have Thine Own Way

Offering

Feel free to give as you feel led

Offertory Anthem *Joined Together as One Body* by James Biery
The Sanctuary Choir

*Joined together as one body, knit together, we are one.
We are the Church, God's chosen body, live our faith in Christ,
the Son.*

*We are called to be disciples! We are called to live in love!
Bring your hearts and minds, disciples, dedicate your lives to love.*

*Joined together by the Spirit, every person brings a gift. Every life
is full of merit; hearts of gratitude we lift. We are called to be the
faithful! We are called to live in love!*

*Such an honor to be faithful, full of life and full of love.
Joined together, all embracing, yet our separate selves we bring.
On our hearts our God is tracing words of love that make us sing.*

*We are called to be God's servants. We are called to live in love.
Such an honor to be servants, ever faithful in God's love.*

Join together, sons and daughters, lift your voices, loud and strong! Come with singing, come with laughter, lift glad praises with a song!

With great joy, shout Hallelujah, Christ is with us, we are one!
Hallelujah, we are one!

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Scripture Exodus 33:12-33

Sermon If You Don't Go With Us Rev. Tom Carruth

Hymn 572 Pass It On

Closing Blessing

***Postlude** Fanfare organ Robert Harman

*Stand as you are able

Acolyte: Ethan Swift 11:00
Crucifer: Olivia Alston 11:00

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- The Altar flowers are given by Lois Duncan and her family to remind us that **Everyone Matters**.
We are one in the spirit.....We are one in the Lord.....
 - A pre-school nursery is provided for children six weeks through four years. Children's Church is offered during the 11:00 a.m. service for children age four through those who have completed first grade. An usher will be happy to help you locate these ministries in the Education Building.

Rev. Tom Carruth, Senior Pastor
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Weekly Schedule

Today, October 18

12 p.m. - SoupFest in the Family Life Center with the Honduras Raffle

Monday, October 19

10 a.m. - Diving Deeper Ladies Bible Study in the Brad Brady Conference Room

11:30 a.m. - Mom's Fellowship

Lunch at El Metate in Perry

5 p.m. - Ladies Bible Study in the Brad Brady Conference Room

6 p.m. - Cub Scouts in the Youth Center

7 p.m. - Sanctuary Bells Rehearsal in the Handbell Room

Tuesday, October 20

7 a.m. - Men's Prayer Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall

9:45 a.m. - JOY Choir buses depart for Summers Landing

Wednesday, October 21

7 a.m. - Youth Prayer Breakfast

9 a.m. - Staff Meeting

4:30 p.m. - Tree House Trades

6 p.m. - Youth \$5 Pizza

6:30 p.m. - Youth Worship and Small Groups in the Youth Center

6:45 p.m. - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 22

1 p.m. - Walking in the FLC

Weekly Newsletter

We sent out a weekly emailed newsletter. If you don't receive it and would like to, scan the QR code or go to

perrymethodist.com/media/communications.



Sugar Drive for PVO

We are half way to our goal of 260! Bring your 4 lb bags of sugar to church next week!

Go to perrymethodist.com/our-ministries/missions to see how your service is doing!

Trunk or Treat

Sunday, October 25

**5:30 - 7 p.m. at the Walker Barn
\$10 per person (over 2 years)**

Trunk set up begins at 5:00

Dinner 5:30

Trunk-or-Treating 6:00

Awards 6:30

Bring a chair or blanket for seating.

Scan the QR code to register.

Registrations must be received by Monday, October 19.



Prime Time Luncheon

Thursday, November 5

**12 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall
\$11 per person**

Our program will be from Chris Sikes of the Houston County Health Department. Lunch will be catered by Sonny's BBQ. Registrations must be received by calling the church office at 478-987-1852 no later than Friday, October 30.

For more information, go to perry-methodist.com/our-ministries/older-adults.

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

Packed Shoeboxes are due back next Sunday, October 25!

We will pray over them before they start their journey in to the hands of a child.