

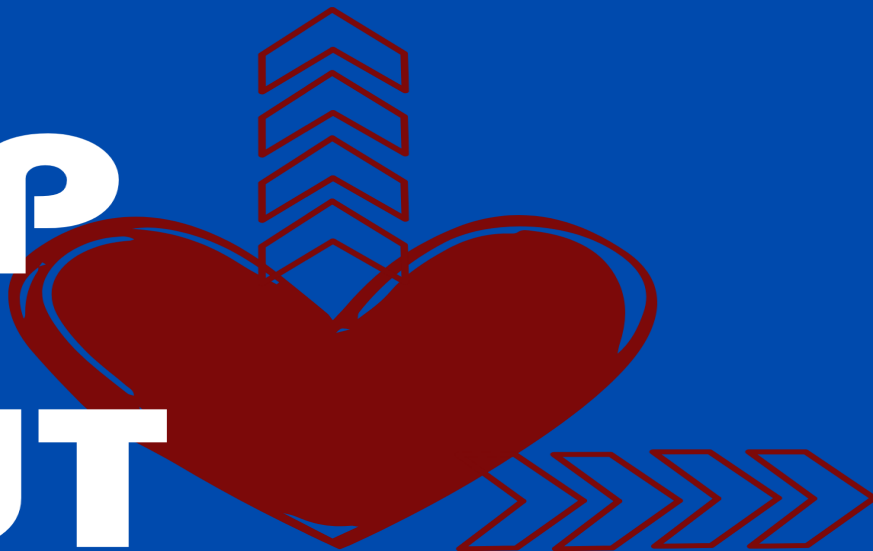
# The Chimes

February 2025

WE ARE HERE TO SERVE — NOT TO BE SERVED

## WORSHIP

**UP**  
**OUT**



***Living as the heart of Jesus in  
the world today***

### A WORD FROM PASTOR JIM

In our current sermon series on what it means to be the church, *Up and Out*, we have been using the membership vows of the United Methodist Church as our framework for the series. Membership is an important step we are invited to take when we are ready to commit ourselves to a particular congregation. Ready to make this church “my” church. In the vows, we say that we will support and participate in this church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness. Practices whereby we both experience God’s grace working in our life and how we express our love back to God and toward others.

If you are interested in becoming a member here at Perrysburg First or in simply finding out more about what it means to be a member of the church, please let us know! I plan to hold a membership meeting sometime in early March. (More details to follow on the specifics of that meeting.) You can fill out a connection card on Sunday morning, write “membership” in the blank space and drop it in the offering box. You can also contact the church office at [office@perrysburgfirst.church](mailto:office@perrysburgfirst.church) or by phone at 419-874-1911 & let us know if you are interested.

Grace and peace,

Jim

### STAY CONNECTED



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## MISSIONS

### RIVERSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL-THANK YOU

Thank you to all who contributed to this year's Christmas mission of donations of hygiene products for Riverside Elementary School's Community Closet. Thank you to those who donated Christmas gifts to provide Christmas for four Riverside families. Thank you to our mission's team for purchasing Christmas gift cards for all of the staff at Riverside and providing cookies (especially those who baked them all!) and cocoa for the students on their last day of school before Christmas vacation. Thank you for sharing the love of Christ with others.

### Blessed to Be a Blessing!

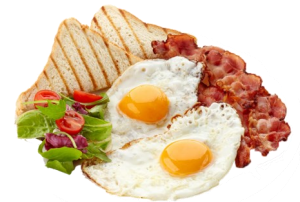
Photos from Pastor Davies of the new Technology Lab at New Hope Education Centre in Nairobi, Kenya that our congregation helped fund. Your generosity made a real difference in the life of these children. Thank you Perrysburg First!



## INFORMATION

### MEN'S BREAKFAST

We are hosting a men's breakfast on Saturday, Feb 8th at 10am in the Fellowship Hall. We hope you will plan to join us for a great morning of food and fellowship.



### THANK YOU







A huge "thank you" to my First Church family! This past year, you supported Dan and I with your calls, visits, and most importantly your prayers. We definitely felt this support. The way everyone stepped up and helped with the luncheon following Dan's Celebration of Life was truly a blessing. Those of you that cooked, served, set up, and cleaned up, please know you were certainly appreciated! Some things take a village to accomplish and First Church Village is the best! Many, many thanks.

-Tolanda

### BYKOTA CLASS RESUMES

BYKOTA Sunday School Class will resume February 2, at 9 a.m.

## FEBRUARY PRAYER CALENDAR

 <b>February 2025 PRAYER FOCUS</b>								
Celebrate Luke 15:32	1 Newness Romans 6:4	2 Capabilities Exodus 3:11	3 Assurance Psalm 120:1	4 Example Matthew 22:39	5 Trust Mark 4:37	6 Sustenance Philippians 4:19	7	
Blessings Deuteronomy 11:14	8 Love 1 John 4:18	9 Purpose Colossians 3:17	10 Spirit John 3:8	11 Faith Proverbs 3:6	12 Confession 1 John 1:9	13 Growth Jeremiah 17:7-8	14	
Yield Matthew 18:21-22	15 Hope Jonah 2:1-2	16 Mercy Matthew 20:15	17 God Exodus 3:14	18 Joy John 13:17	19 Generosity Matthew 20:15	20 Unprepared John 15:16	21	
Promises Psalm 37:4	22 Belief Isaiah 42:12	23 Desperation 1 Kings 19:4	24 Care Matthew 6:26	25 Perception Mark 8:25	26 Praise Psalm 100:2	27 Endurance Isaiah 41:10	28	
								

### FAMILY MINISTRY

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

No Team Kid/Youth on Ash Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> – we hope you will join us for worship that evening.

**EASTER CARNIVAL** – Easter will be here before you know it! I am looking for individuals who would like to plan and implement this year's Easter Carnival! Please contact Pastor Jodi if you would like to be a part of this amazing event!

#### VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT AND THANK YOU

With 45-50 children and youth in our family ministry, did you know that it takes at least 7 adult volunteers each Sunday for our children's ministry to operate and be in compliance with our Safe Sanctuaries policy? Each week, 52 weeks a year, we have dedicated adults that give of their time to love and nurture the future. They are raising up the next generation in faith. I want to give a heartfelt thank you to all who contribute to this very important ministry.

Thank you to Charli Sarver and Ashley Roth for their leadership, planning, and participation in Team Kid and Youth Group every Wednesday. These lovely women are dedicated to the children and youth in our community and give of their time, talents, and gifts each and every week! We couldn't do it without them!

Also, thank you to those who are volunteering to provide the meal for Team Kid and Youth this month:

2/5	Nikki Artiaga & Mia
2/12	(Valentine's Day Party) The Graven Family
2/19	Kristen Leverton & Tess
2/26	The Tharpe Family

Thank you to each and every one of you! You are a blessing beyond measure! If you are interested in being a part of the volunteer team for the family ministry here at Perrysburg First Church, please contact me.  
Pastor Jodi

## OUR STAFF

**Senior Pastor**  
Jim Jennings

**Pastor of Family Ministry**  
Jodi Packard

**Administrative Assistant**  
Brittany Gilpin

**Treasurer**  
Irma Wolf

**Music Director**  
Tim Cloeter

**Multimedia Coordinator**  
Dax Rice

**Prime Timers**  
Tolanda Kronfield

**Preschool Director**  
Sharron Waclawski  
419-874-9318

# BLANKET MISSION

Calling all youth! Join us  
in making blankets for  
children!

TIME: SUNDAY AFTER CHURCH  
UNTIL 230

DATE: FEBRUARY 9, 2025

PLACE: CHURCH FELLOWSHIP  
HALL

ANY QUESTIONS REACH OUT TO  
ASHLEY ROTH (419) 512-3759

## SERVE

### PERRYSBURG FIRST AND PCU

The churches of PCU are asked to contribute specific items to the food bank each month. **For the month of February, we are asked to donate shampoo.** For March, donations of crackers would be appreciated. If you wish to give a monetary donation, you may do so by visiting: <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-YQZA/home>. Thank you for your continued support of PCU!

Donations may be made online at [www.perrysburgfirst.church](http://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**

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