

PEARCE CHURCH

Our vision is to look, live, and love like Jesus

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News, Events & Updates (NEUs) • March 23 & 24, 2019

WORSHIP

This Weekend, Pastor Roger continues the series “Where Is God?” with the message “Welcome Home” from Isaiah 55:1-9. In the 11am service, we’ll welcome Steven Davison, Ronald & Crista Hagberg, and Adam Hiller* as new members of Pearce (*joining by letter of transfer). When you see these individuals, be sure to give them a warm welcome!

Journey Kids (birth-5th grade)

- Journey Kids Jr. (birth-5 years old): Nursery care is provided in the Journey Kids wing during each worship service.
- Journey Kids (K-5th Grade):
 - 9 & 11am: Kids begin Sunday worship in the Sanctuary with their family and will be dismissed to Journey Kids
 - 10am: Journey Kids Serve! meets in the Journey Kids wing

All kids need to be signed-in at the Journey Kids Check-in Desk (main lobby).

Journey Teens (5th-12th Grade):

- 10am Sunday:
 - Help out in Journey Kids Serve!
 - Participate in “Conversations with Dirk”—help set up for the evening’s Journey Teens, then hang out with Dirk Sipes and talk about how we can look, live, and love like Jesus (meets in Parmerter West).
- 6-8pm Sunday: Journey Teens (5th-12th grade): Coffee with Ally— Parents are invited to come enjoy some coffee and snacks while getting to know our new Youth Ministry Director, Ally Turner. The parent Q&A time will be from 6-7pm while the teens play in the gym. We will then let the parents go enjoy gym time (kickball is optional but highly encouraged!) while the teens come into the café to ask Ally whatever questions they may have and get to know her better. We hope you join us! Check us out—Journey Teens is on Instagram (@journeyteenspearce), Facebook (@journeyteens), and Snapchat (@journeyteens). Parents, join the Pearce Teens Facebook group to stay up-to-date on what they’re doing.

Serve! Worship Service: Serve meets on Sunday mornings at 10am and is made up of kids in K-5th Grade. These kids are planning and leading a worship service at the end of this month and would love for everyone to attend. The service will be held next Sunday, March 31, at 10am in Parmerter Chapel.

A Baptism Service will be held on Sunday, May 5. If you are interested in being baptized, please mark your Connection Card and place it in the offering, call the church office at 594-9488, or email pearce@pearcechurch.org.

COMMUNITY

Full Life Sports at Pearce: You are invited to join in any of these opportunities, no matter your skill level.

- Mondays-Futsal (all ages)
- Tuesdays-Floor Hockey (High School and up)
- Wednesdays-Ultimate Frisbee (High School and up)
- Thursdays-Volleyball (age 13 and up)

All sports meet from 7-9pm in the gym (Family Life Center). Contact Dave Mantegna with questions at 585-752-8221.

Kids Gym meets on Wednesdays, from 10-11am (following the Churchville-Chili school calendar), offering a place for kids to play and for their caregivers to connect with each other. To learn more, contact Pastor Kayleigh at schumske_kayleigh@pearcechurch.org.

A Memorial Service celebrating the life of Mary Alice Bowman will be held at Pearce on Saturday, April 6, at 11am. Mary Alice passed away on November 30, 2018.

Teen “Never the Same” Camp (6th-12th Grade), July 7-11: After a great experience last year, the teens are headed back to Never the Same Camp this summer! This year’s theme is Movement: “We can become comfortable with conformity. God is greater than the things that enslave us, the things that we think will bring us deliverance. God has made it possible to move his people from bondage to freedom. God’s movement can be experienced in two parts: His action and our reaction. It starts with His initiation, which moves us to respond. When He says go, we are to move.” Make sure you register your teen for this life-changing opportunity! **Cost is \$332 when registered before April 22.** Register online at ntscamp.com/newyork/

Mega Kids Camp: Where Fun, Faith, and Family Collide! This summer, we’re kicking VBS up a notch and bringing you Mega Kids Camp. Running Monday-Friday, July 29-August 2, this awesome week will be free for everyone. It’s our hope that families in our community who do not know Jesus will be able to encounter His love through this ministry. Kids in preschool (age 4 by December 1, 2019) will get to be part of Mega Kids Camp Jr., while elementary kids (kids entering K-6th grade in the fall) will get to choose a “track” to participate in all week. We’ll also offer Parent Camp, where parents can meet other adults and gain valuable skills for their parenting tool belt. Since we want the whole family to participate and want as many of our Pearce Church family members to be involved as possible, Mega Kids Camp will run in the evenings from 6:30-8:30, with dinner served starting at 5 each night. As you can imagine, there will be many opportunities for the entire Pearce family to join the MKC team. **Registration begins Monday, April 1.**

COMMUNITY—JOURNEY GROUPS

Journey Groups: We find community in and through our Journey Groups, where we seek to live this out whether through a Sunday Class or a Small Group meeting during the week. You are invited to “Know, Grow, and Go” as we build life-changing relationships with our God and one another! Sunday morning groups are listed below; if you would like to find a group meeting during the week, contact Pastor Bill at gibbons_bill@pearcechurch.org.

Sunday Morning Journey Groups, 10-10:50am at Pearce:

- **Gospel Ambassadors**, Rick Kinde, *facilitator; Friendship Center*
- **Bible Explorers**, Bill Roushey, *facilitator; Room 82*
- **Son Seekers**, Rod Bassett/James Kerwin, *facilitators; Room 81*
- **FOCUS**, Shelly Bliss, *facilitator; The Upper Room (Room 251)*
- **20-Somethings**, Matt Kerwin, *facilitator; Loft B, teen area*

Overflow-College Ministry meets on Tuesdays this semester, from 6-8pm at Common Grounds Café at Pearce: March 26, April 9 & 23, and May 7. An Oasis Night is planned for April 16. Stay connected on social media to hear about upcoming special events and service opportunities (search: Overflow- College Ministry on Facebook; Overflowcollege on Twitter, Snapchat, and Instagram). Want to join the mailing list or have any questions? Contact Pastor Chris at obrien_chris@pearcechurch.org.

Wednesday Morning Prayer: We’ve switched our day from Monday to Wednesday! All are invited to join Dr. Nelson Grimm on Wednesday mornings at 9am in The Upper Room (Room 251) for a time of prayer. Together, we will express our appreciation to God for the gift of prayer; acknowledge the many ways we have been blessed, both individually and as a church; and pray for each other, our community, and our world.

Women’s Bible Study: Looking for a place to connect with other women? Fill Your Cup Journey Group, for women age 30-55, meets on Wednesdays at 6:30pm in the Friendship Center. They are studying the book, “Espresso with Esther.” Book cost is \$7 and may be purchased at the reception desk during the week or at the study on Wednesday nights. Questions? Contact Nicky Gibbons at nicknack1221@yahoo.com or Joan Goulart at goulart_joan@pearcechurch.org.

The 20s@Pearce: If you are in your 20s and early 30s and are not already in a small group, contact Pastor Chris to find out what groups are available and how to join. The group meets on Wednesdays, from 6:30-8:30pm at the O’Brien home: March 27, April 10 & 24, and May 1, 15 & 29. Stay connected on social media to hear about these and other special events (search: 20s@Pearce on Facebook, Pearce20s on Twitter, and Pearce20Somethings on Instagram). Want to join the mailing list or have any questions? Contact Pastor Chris at obrien_chris@pearcechurch.org.

Celebrate Recovery Community Group meets on Wednesdays, from 6:30-8:30pm in the Loft (above Parmerter). Celebrate Recovery (CR) is a Christ-centered, 12-step program for anyone dealing with hurt, pain, or addiction of any kind. CR is a safe place to find community and freedom from the issues that are controlling our lives. If you'd like to learn more about Celebrate Recovery at Pearce, you can email the leadership team at cr@pearcechurch.org.

Journey Pray-ers meets on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 in Room 82 (lower level education wing). God provides an amazing battle plan to regain those things in life that have been snatched away by the enemy of our soul, a strategy that begins and ends with prayer. To learn more, contact Sue Harkins at bammyto6@gmail.com.

SERVICE

2020 Teen Nzige Mission Trip Info Meeting: Any teens interested in participating in our 2020 trip to Nzige, Rwanda, and their parents, are invited to attend an informational meeting this Sunday, March 24, at 4:30pm in the café. Come get your questions answered! Applications and interviews will be required to be a part of this mission team; preference will go to juniors and seniors. Questions? Contact Pastor Kayleigh at schumske_kayleigh@pearcechurch.org or Ally Turner, our Youth Ministry Director, at turner_ally@pearcechurch.org.

Foodlink Mobile Pantry, April 13: Pearce will host a Foodlink Mobile Pantry in the Family Life Center on Saturday, April 13, from 9-11am. This mobile food pantry provides perishable food from Foodlink's warehouse, providing fresh produce to those who need it most. If you would like to help make this important ministry happen, sign-up at the reception desk in the lobby. Help (everything from unloading the truck, to setting up and distributing food) is needed on Saturday, April 13 from 8am-12pm in the Family Life Center. Contact Sue Smout at smout_sue@pearcechurch.org with questions.

The Foodlink Mobile Pantry is available to anyone in our congregation and community who can use a little help at times. All volunteers are invited to receive food also. Mark your calendar for April 13 and invite your friends/neighbors who may appreciate this opportunity.

Our annual Mission Garage Sale is coming April 26 & 27. Mark your calendar, begin to set aside items that you can donate, and plan to shop 'til you drop! All proceeds from the garage sale go to support local and global mission initiatives. Want to do even more? Many hands are needed to help with set-up and pricing during the week, various jobs during the sale, and clean-up on Saturday afternoon. Sign-ups begin the first weekend in April.

If you have prescriptions filled at Wegmans, please save the plastic zipper bags they come in. We can use those to group many smaller items for the sale. We'll accept those small zipper bags, along with all other garage sale donations, on Sunday, April 21, from 11am-12:30pm and Monday-Wednesday, April 22-24, from 8:30am-7pm.

Food Cupboard Update: Thank you for your continued donations to our food cupboard! You are helping us provide food and personal care items throughout the year to our neighbors who are in need. **This week's needs are paper towels, jelly, and pears/fruit cocktail.** Donations can be left in the shopping cart in our main lobby at any time. Financial donations are also accepted and used to purchase items and materials to sustain our cupboard.

FYI

Job Openings: We are hiring an evenings and weekends Facilities Team Leader and a part-time evenings and weekends cleaner. Working on this team is more than a job. We believe we're creating the kind of warm, welcoming environment that can give hope to everyone who visits our building. Send your resume to Bob Antes at 594-9488 or antes_robert@pearcechurch.org.

Free Methodist Church – USA General Conference, July 16-19, 2019, in Orlando, FL: Join 3,000 Free Methodists from around the world for the 2019 General Conference. The conference will focus on three themes: In (Discipleship), Out (Evangelism), and Up (Worship). There will be plenary sessions, focus groups, programs for kids of all ages, and worship services every night. Several pastors from Pearce will be attending. To learn more and register, visit fmcusa.org/gc19

IF:Northgate: Northgate Free Methodist Church is hosting IF:Northgate on March 29 & 30. Together, along with thousands of women around the world, you'll worship God and discover what it looks like to lean on His wisdom, not our own. Cost is \$15. Learn more and register at northgate.iflocal.com.