

# PEARCE CHURCH

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

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## News, Events & Updates (NEUs) August 24 & 25, 2019

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### WORSHIP

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**This weekend**, we welcome Pastor Wally Fleming as our guest speaker. Pastor Wally had the privilege of serving on the pastoral team at Pearce from January 2008 through September 2017. In his “retirement,” he has continued serving as an adjunct at Roberts, a role he began in 1998. He also teaches at Northeastern Seminary. Pastor Wally and his wife, Mary, enjoy traveling, reading, and good conversations over cups of coffee (or tea for Mary). He continues to serve at Pearce as a member of the Pastoral Care Team and is grateful for the blessing this congregation has been in his life.

This is also the weekend students are returning to campus. We’ll have the privilege of welcoming them to our Sunday morning worship service. We want these students to know, right from the beginning of the school year, that we are here, and we care about them. Students will have the opportunity to sign up for our new ministry, College Connections, that pairs small groups of students with families from Pearce. Our goal is to foster a personal connection with Pearce that will continue throughout their time at school. So, this weekend, be sure to greet college students you may see and be praying for them as they make this transition to school and away from home.

**Exit Offering:** Holy Communion will be served in worship services next weekend (August 31 & September 1). Our tradition is to receive an Exit Offering following Communion services. The September Exit Offering will go to our Morning Moms ministry. Morning Moms provides a place for moms to laugh, pray, sometimes cry, and study together. If you are a mom or know a mom who could use a group of Christian friends to support them, be sure to check out Morning Moms. Their first meeting is September 6 at 9:30am in the Friendship Center—child care is available for preschoolers. If you’d like to learn more about Morning Moms, contact Megan Hoose at [meganahoose@gmail.com](mailto:meganahoose@gmail.com).

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### COMMUNITY

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**Common Grounds Café** is back in business for the RWC school year! Starting this Monday, August 26, weekday hours are Monday-Friday, 10am-2pm, when RWC classes meet. This Sunday, August 25, the café will be open from 9:30-10am and 11-11:30am. Beginning next week, September 1, the café will be open on Sundays from 8:45-10:30am.

The café has a position open! Would you like to learn how to make awesome lattes? Enjoy interacting with college students, preschool moms, and Pearce staff? We’d love to add another barista to our team. If you’re passionate about great customer service, love coffee, and have some weekday availability (9:30am-2:45pm), we want to hear from you! Contact, Sheryl at [sherylhunt@hotmail.com](mailto:sherylhunt@hotmail.com).

**The Embrace All Conference** is hosted by New Hope Free Methodist Church and Community of the Savior FMC in Rochester this September 12-14 and will be held at New Hope FMC (62 N. Union St., Rochester). Embrace All is an initiative of the Free Methodist Church aimed at improving our ability to embrace people across race, class, and gender. The conference will include discussions and strategies on topics such as race, immigration, justice reform, poverty, LGBTQ+, and multicultural church. Keynote speakers are Michael Traylor, Kristina LaCelle-Peterson, and Fred Lynch. Cost is \$40. Register at [cosmthope.com/embrace-all](https://cosmthope.com/embrace-all).

There are many opportunities to serve at this conference, such as helping with airport transportation, running slides, ushering, hosting, or helping in food service, and praying during the event. If you’re a baker (or like shopping at Wegmans!), you could provide a dessert for the fellowship time on Wednesday night. Contact Nicky Gibbons at [nicknack1221@gmail.com](mailto:nicknack1221@gmail.com) to learn about all the opportunities and to sign up to help.

If you are available to host out of town guests, go to <https://forms.gle/Vmn6m2vHEfqRGpD59>.

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## SERVICE

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**Food Cupboard:** Our food cupboard is running very low on many items. Just a few extra things added to your cart while grocery shopping can help us maintain food and personal care item supplies so that we can serve our neighbors who are in need. **Our needs are soup, canned chicken, jam, toilet paper, and paper towels.** Donations can be left in the shopping cart in our main lobby at any time. Financial donations are also accepted. Thank you for faithfully supporting this important ministry.

**Backpack Food Drivers:** Are you available for 30 minutes on Friday mornings? We are looking for a few more drivers for the Backpack Food Program. Boxes of food need to be picked up at Pearce and dropped off at the elementary and middle schools in the Churchville-Chili school district. Deliveries can be made between 9-11am. Contact Sue Smout at smout\_sue@pearcechurch.org for more information.

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## PASTOR ROGER'S BLOG

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Pastor Roger has shared our fall plan for Sunday mornings, noting that our Saturday Service will continue to meet as usual on Saturdays at 5pm. Now, we'd like to let you know what's coming for our teen and kids' ministries.

As a reminder, here is what Sunday mornings will look like, starting September 8:

- 9am **Equip** Study Hour for adults, teens, and kids
- 10am **Connect** with coffee and conversation
- 10:30am **Worship** in the Sanctuary and Parmerter Chapel (these will be called our Sanctuary Service and Chapel Service)

Lydia Monroe, Sue Smout, and Abby Monroe (our **Kids Ministry leadership team**) are excited to share what Journey Kids will look like this fall:

Sundays (starts September 8):

- **Infants-Age 2**
  - 9-11:45am **Nursery Care**
- **Age 3-4**
  - 9am **Equip** Study Group: Sunday school using Gospel Project curriculum ([gospelproject.com/kids](http://gospelproject.com/kids))
  - 10:30am **Nursery Care**
- **K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade**
  - 9am **Equip** Study Groups: Sunday school using Gospel Project curriculum ([gospelproject.com/kids](http://gospelproject.com/kids)), including group worship time and age-level Bible teaching and activities.
- **Parents**
  - 9am **Equip** Study Group led by Celeste & Mark Donleavy—they led Parent Camp at our Mega Kids Camp VBS this year, and parents loved it so much, they requested a class.

Weekdays:

- 9am Wednesdays: **Kids Gym** for preschoolers and their caregivers (starts September 11)
- 9:30am Fridays: **Morning Moms** for moms with kids of all ages (starts September 6)
- ***Wednesday Night Kids Ministry** is not scheduled at this time, but the team is actively discussing it and looking for leadership with the hopes of launching a program in January.*

The **Youth Ministry leadership team** of Tom Corbett and Ally Turner is eager to announce what to expect with Journey Teens for students in **middle school (grades 6-8)** and **high school (grades 9-12)** in 2019-2020:

- 9am Sundays: **Equip** Study Groups, encouraging faith formation through Bible learning (starts September 8)
- 7pm Tuesdays: **Bible Quizzing**, putting Bible knowledge into action (starts September 10)
- 6:30pm Wednesdays: **Youth Group**, sharing the Gospel through relationships (starts September 11)

As you can see, exciting things are happening at Pearce! We invite you to pray with us for our leaders and for those we hope to reach with the Good News of Jesus' love.

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## CALENDAR ([pearcechurch.org/events](http://pearcechurch.org/events))

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### **SATURDAY, AUGUST 24**

- **Saturday Prayer Time** | 4:30pm | Friendship Center
- **Journey Kids Jr. (birth-6 years old)** | 5pm | Journey Kids Wing
- **Worship Service** | 5pm | Sanctuary

### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 25**

- **Gospel Ambassadors Journey Group** | 9am | Friendship Center
- **Journey Kids Jr. (birth-5 years old)** | 9:45-11:10am | Journey Kids Wing
- **Worship Service** | 10am | Sanctuary

### **MONDAY, AUGUST 26**

### **TUESDAY, AUGUST 27**

- **Men's Prayer Breakfast** | 6am | Town and Country Restaurant (3205 Chili Ave.)
- **Men's Prayer & Bible Study** | 8:45am | Friendship Center

### **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28**

- **Wednesday Morning Prayer** with Nelson Grimm | 9am | The Upper Room
- **Celebrate Recovery Community Group** | 6:30pm | The Loft

### **THURSDAY, AUGUST 29**

### **FRIDAY, AUGUST 30**