

# PEARCE CHURCH

News, Events & Updates • October 18, 2024

## This Weekend (October 19 & 20)

Saturday Worship: 5:00pm / Sunday Worship: 9:30am

Sermon Series: Free to Serve  
Sermon Title: Set Free to Worship Joyfully  
Scripture: Luke 13:10-17  
Preaching Pastor: Pastor Todd

### Special Worship Elements

- After both worship services, we invite you to stay and enjoy muffins and warm cider at our Fall Munch & Mingle

## This Week (October 18 - 25)

### Sunday, October 20

- Sunday Morning Prayer at 9am in the Parlor

### Monday, October 21

- Celebrate Recovery community group meets at 6:30pm in the Loft
- Nominating Committee meeting at 6pm in the Conference Room
- GCLT will meet at 7pm in the Friendship Center

### Tuesday, October 22

- Tuesday Men's Breakfast meets 7am at the Town and Country Family Restaurant (3205 Chili Ave, Chili, NY 14624)
- Tuesday Morning Bible Study for men and women will meet from 9- 10:15am in Room 80
- Floor Hockey from 6:45 – 8:45pm in the Family Life Center for older teens and adults

### Wednesday, October 23

- Common Grounds Café open from 10am – 2pm
- Community Bible Study (CBS) meets from 10:30am - 12:20pm
- Oasis (Youth Group) meets at 6:30pm in the Loft
- Worship Team rehearses from 7:30 - 8:30pm in the Sanctuary

### Thursday, October 24

- Mary & Martha's Group will meet at the home of Alberta Anderson (3216 Union St., North Chili) at 11:30am
- Prayer Walk for Pearce ministries throughout the building starting at 7pm

## Time Sensitive Items

- **Offering Envelopes:** Those who wish to use offering envelopes for 2025 need to request to receive them by completing [this form](#) by **October 20** or call the church at 594-9488 to make this request.
- **Suggestions for Nominating Committee:** The deadline for accepting suggestions of full members from Pearce who could serve on the Nominating Committee for a three-year term is **October 31**. The purpose of the Nominating Committee is to pray and carefully identify members of our congregation who could potentially serve on the Official Board. The slate of candidates that are nominated are presented for a vote by the membership at our Annual Society meeting each year in February.
  - The following are ways you may suggest candidates for the Nominating Committee:
    - Submit online using [this link](#)
    - Request a nomination form at the Welcome Center and return it there at your convenience

## Plan Ahead

- **October 26:** A Memorial Service for Joyce Heimberger will be held at 1:00pm in the Sanctuary, with calling hours beginning at noon in the Sanctuary Lobby
- **October 27:** Segue for 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> graders from 6:30 - 8pm - drop off and pick-up in the Family Life Center
- **October 28:** CR worship night in the Loft starting at 6:30pm - [go here](#) for more information
- **November 3:** Concert of Praise, Prayer, and Consecration at 6pm in Parmerter

- **November 9:** Family Pancake Breakfast – follow [this link](#) for more information
- **November 10 & 11:** 24 Hour Prayer Event – watch for more details in the coming weeks

## Adult Discipleship Starting October 20 – there’s still time to register

“How to Be Rich” is a four-week community group study that will encourage conversation and reflection on the biblical themes of financial stewardship and generosity. This video study starts with the premise that, contrary to what you might think, you are already “rich” and probably have more than you need (if you consider wealth distribution globally). Rather than focusing on riches and how to get rich, this study explores what to do with the wealth we already have and how to steward it wisely and live generously. This video study complements and expands the material from Andy Stanley’s 2013 book, “How to Be Rich.” The book is optional and not required for participants in this study, but it is insightful and helpful.

Those already in a “Circle Up” group can continue with their group for this study. (There is no need to register.) Those not already in a group are welcome to join a new group for this four-week study.

### How to Register:

- [Click here](#) to join a group on Sunday morning
- [Click here](#) to join Mike and Carol Wilson’s group, hosted in their home, on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 to 8pm

## Giving & Serving Opportunities

- Thank you to all who are donating to our Food Cupboard! This week’s needs are:

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| ○ Cereal          | ○ Tuna          | ○ Sugar         | ○ Shampoo                    |
| ○ Quick Lunches   | ○ Canned Beans  | ○ Ground Coffee | ○ Conditioner                |
| ○ Tomato Products | ○ Peanut Butter | ○ Cooking Oil   | ○ Household Cleaning Product |
| ○ Pasta           | ○ Jelly         | ○ Razors        |                              |
| ○ Pasta Sauce     | ○ Juice         | ○ Toothbrushes  |                              |
|                   | ○ Baking Mixes  | ○ Bar Soap      |                              |

If you need food support, please contact the church to set up an appointment.

- **Thanksgiving Community Food Ministry:**

Our Thanksgiving Community Food Ministry Is underway! We're excited to launch our annual Thanksgiving Community Food Ministry! Pearce, together with our sister church Heart & Soul, Rochester Family Mission, other city churches, and local agencies, is identifying families in need throughout the Rochester area. Our shared goal is to provide boxes of food, fresh produce, and frozen turkeys to 1,150 families. Pearce’s specific contribution is to prepare 245 Adopt-a-Boxes.

### How Can You Help?

- **Drop Off Adopt-a-Boxes:** Filled Adopt-a-Boxes can be brought to Pearce Church between October 19 and November 17. So far, we’ve received 65 Adopt-a-Box commitments—let’s keep it going!
  - **Volunteer for Food Collection:** Join us on Saturday, November 16 and Sunday, November 17, after our services, to help transport food items, Adopt-a-Boxes, and supplies from various storage areas to the Family Life Center. Volunteers will meet in Pearce’s main lobby for instructions.
  - **Help Pack Thanksgiving Boxes:** On Thursday, November 21, we’ll gather in the Family Life Center (gym) at 9:30 AM to pack over 800 Thanksgiving boxes. It usually takes 1-2 hours, and we need all hands on deck to ensure families in need have a special meal for the holiday.
  - For more details, [follow this link](#) or stop by the table in the main lobby this weekend, where you can sign up to adopt a box and pick up a shopping list to help fill it.
- Check out the various [ways to give](#)

## Prayer

- **10@10:** Join others in our congregation who pause wherever they are for 10 minutes each day at 10 am to pray for Pearce Church. If you’d like more information, contact [Robin Day](#).
- **Prayer Chain:** Daily prayer updates are sent Monday through Friday at 3:30pm, providing information about the needs of our Pearce community. If you have a personal prayer request, update, or bereavement information to share, send it to [pearce@pearcechurch.org](mailto:pearce@pearcechurch.org), or call the church at 585-594-9488, and we will be sure to include it in our next update.

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