

PEARCE CHURCH

News, Events & Updates • November 27, 2024

This Weekend (November 30 & December 1)

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

Sermon Series: Advent: The Wonder of It All
Sermon Title: Wonder in the Journey: Joseph's Story
Scripture: Matthew 1:18-25
Preaching Pastor: Pastor Brian

Special Worship Elements

- Family Worship Weekend
 - Nursery care will be provided for children ages infant thru pre-k
 - Kids who have completed Kindergarten – 5th grades will be in the service for the full hour this week
 - Kids Bags will be provided
- Communion

Of Special Note:

Thanksgiving Community Food Ministry Update: A big THANK YOU to all who donated towards, sorted, taped, moved, and packed the over 1150 boxes for our Thanksgiving Community Food Ministry this year! God is so good and supplies the needs and volunteers in so many different ways.

A Note of Thanks from Terry & Sherri Taber: Thank you to everyone who helped with the 2024 Thanksgiving Community Food Ministry! Many of you helped after the Nov 16th Saturday worship service to move food, Adopt-a-Boxes, and boxes to the Family Life Center. The next day, more volunteers moved the remainder of the food, prepared the food line by removing plastic wrapping and unneeded containers, and opened boxes on the tables to prepare them for Roberts students to tape. Then, on Thursday, Nov 21, you helped to pack 900 boxes in about 90 minutes.

Others helped by “adopting boxes” and filling them with items from the designated list. These Adopt-a-Boxes were used to provide Heart & Soul with nearly 250 boxes. And some donated funds used to purchase food items, or donated food, to complete the food line for packing boxes.

Thank you!

A big thank you to Jim Heeks (food collection), Ron Sittig, Bill Osgood, John Berardicurti (Food Storage), Jim Maier & Facilities team (set-up/clean-up), Lydia Monroe and Kim Brittin in the office (communications & logistics), and reception desk staff (preparation of Pearce list and fielding calls). And thank you to Debbie & Mark Bates, our core team partners for this ministry.

All of this helped Pearce Thanksgiving Community Ministry provide 1156 families with food, produce, and turkeys for Thanksgiving. Praise God!

We did hear many words of appreciation and gratitude for the food being received. We pray God uses these food boxes in a powerful way for his kingdom and we'll give him all the glory.

This Week (November 29 – December 6)

Sunday, December 1

- Sunday Morning Prayer at 9am in the Parlor

Monday, December 2

- Celebrate Recovery meets in the Loft at 6:30pm

Tuesday, December 3

- 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
- Head to Toe Hygiene Hub opens at 6:30pm
- Floor Hockey from 6:45 – 8:45pm in the Family Life Center for older teens and adults
- Financial Forum
 - Time: 7pm

- Location: Friendship Center
- What: Review the proposed budget for 2025
- Dessert will be provided

Wednesday, December 4

- 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
- Choir Rehearsal from 6:30 – 7:20pm in the Sanctuary
- Worship Team rehearses from 7:30 - 8:30pm in the Sanctuary

Thursday, December 5

- Mary & Martha's Group will meet at 11:30am in the Friendship Center

Plan Ahead

December 13: Christmas Story Hour for kids and their families:

- Time: 6:30 - 8pm
- Location: Parmerter Chapel
- Join in the fun by bringing a blanket or sleeping bag, wearing your pajamas, etc.
- A reception with snacks and crafts will immediately follow Story Hour
- To help with this fun event, contact [Mattie Laley](#)

December 24: Christmas Eve Service

- Date & Time: December 24 at 5pm
- Nursery provided through preschool age

Giving & Serving Opportunities

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

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| ○ Tomato Products | ○ Canned Corn | ○ Sugar | ○ Deodorant |
| ○ Pasta | ○ Canned Peas | ○ Flour | ○ Cleaning Supplies |
| ○ Pasta Sauce | ○ Peanut Butter | ○ Foil | ○ Feminine Hygiene Products |
| ○ Chunky Soups | ○ Jelly | ○ Razors | |
| ○ Tuna | ○ Salad Dressing | ○ Toothbrushes | |
| ○ Canned Beans | ○ Juice | ○ Toothpaste | |
| ○ Mixed Fruit | ○ Baking Mixes | ○ Bar Soap | |
| | ○ Pancake Mixes | ○ Shampoo | |

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

- 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, or call the church at 585-594-9488, and we will be sure to include it in our next update.