PEARCE CHURCH

June 26, 2020

WORSHIP

This Sunday, our online service features the seventh and final message from 1 Peter. As you'd expect, our man Peter, the leader among the early church, shares a passionate message about how to lead the church and treat your pastor. Sounds like an appropriate message for all of us as we prayerfully anticipate the selection of our next Lead Pastor in the weeks and months to come. We'll be online on the Pearce Church Facebook page at our usual times of 10:30am and 5pm.

At the end of every school year, it's been our tradition to present Bibles to our 1st graders as a celebration of their accomplishment of learning to read. Our prayer is that by having their own copy of the Bible, these kids can begin to make God's word a part of their lives by reading it on their own. We also present teen study Bibles to our 5th graders to use throughout middle school and high school and to celebrate them moving up to our youth program in the fall. And, we take a moment to recognize and celebrate our high school seniors and provide them with a book to help them as they move out into the world and continue to make their faith their own. This year's process was a little different. Our 1st and 5th grade families were invited to the church a couple of weeks ago to receive their Bibles from their Sunday school teachers and our youth leaders delivered books to seniors at their homes. We've captured photos of everything and will show that video during the first few minutes of our worship service this Sunday. Be sure to tune in right at 10:30 so you don't miss it!

First Graders: Carolyn Coon, Ava Keim, Gideon Newcomb, Andrew O'Donnell, Harris Robinson

Fifth Graders: Maximus Bliss, Kate Comfort, Juliana Davison, Jessup Hoose, Aubrey Keim, Madison Murphy, Malorie Newcomb

Seniors and their plans for the fall:

- Elisa Everett—plans to attend SUNY Brockport
- Brianna Fagan—plans to attend Roberts Wesleyan College, majoring in Early Childhood Education
- Rachael Guarino—plans to attend Roberts Wesleyan College to become a music therapist
- Ellie Humphrey—enrolling in a program at the Rochester Educational Opportunity Center to become a teacher's assistant with developmentally disabled students
- Mikayla Jacobs—plans to attend SUNY Fredonia where she has been accepted into the Honors Program and will double major in Theater Arts and Political Science
- Tim Ockrin—plans to attend Houghton College to study Applied Physics, also participating in the Jazz and Wind Ensemble
- Chelsea Pappa—plans to attend University of Pittsburgh to study psychology
- Trent Repass—plans to attend Taylor University, majoring in Computer Science-Digital Media, minoring in Worship Arts
- Wesley Wicks—plans to attend SUNY College at Brockport

YOUTH MINISTRY

Hey, teens! Eight Tuesday evening TNT (Tuesday Night Thing) events and several extended Saturday events are planned just for you this summer (June 30 and August 22). As long as in-person events can be safely conducted in accordance with public health guidelines, these events will take place outside in a variety of local parks and backyards and teenagers will have to arrange their own transportation. If it becomes possible to use the church van, transportation may be provided for some events. Check the weekly NEUs and the event schedule on the <u>Journey Teens page of the church website</u> for details and contact TC at corbett tom@pearcechurch.org if you have questions.

The first TNT will happen Tuesday, June 30, from 6:30-8pm at the Sanford Road Park in Riga (836 South Sanford Road at the corner of South Sanford Road and Route 36)). This beginning-of-summer get-together will feature pizza, noncontact games, and a time to discuss the impact of our pandemic experiences of the past few months. Our time together will include appropriate social distancing, facemasks, and handwashing and the food and drink will be served in a manner that minimizes person-to-person contact. To avoid the close contact that comes with church-provided transportation, you'll need to arrange your own transportation to and from this event. Meet at 6:30pm in the park's open-air picnic shelter and get picked up there at 8pm. Since there is a 25-person limit for social gatherings, the first 25 people to sign up

will be able to attend. Sign up now up by emailing TC at corbett_tom@pearcechurch.org. It will be fun to see each other without Zoom for the first time since March!

CONNECT

Our first in-person event, **Gathering on the Lawn**, will be held on Sunday, July 12, at 6pm. Bring a blanket or lawn chair and join us for a time to reconnect through song, scripture, and encouragement. We'll end the evening with ice cream from LuGia's. Please be prepared to follow social distancing guidelines and bring a mask for those times that 6 ft. distance cannot be maintained. Space is limited due to COVID restrictions, you can go to the "Stay Informed" page of our website to register or click this link.

Stay connected this summer! Our Daily Connect posts on the <u>Pearce Church Facebook page</u> happen Monday, Wednesday, and Friday each week at 7pm for a time of reflection, worship, and prayer. You can also join <u>the Pearce Nation Facebook group</u> to keep in touch with your church family.

STAY INFORMED

As we work toward the time when we will be able to meet for worship inside our building, pray for our staff. The amount of work required to keep everyone safe while at the same time providing high-quality online services for those who are not able to return or who are beyond our local community, is daunting. However, we are confident that the Lord is with us and with your prayerful support he will help us to meet the challenge. You can regularly check the "Stay Informed" page on our website for reopening and ministry updates as they become available. If you aren't receiving our regular emails, call us at 585-594-9488 or email pearce@pearcechurch.org and ask to be added to our: Prayer Chain (sent as prayer requests are received), Prayer Focus (weekly summary of Prayer Chain requests), Pastor Glenn's weekly note (sent on Thursdays), and NEUs (weekly newsletter).

GIVE

Thank you for your continued faithful giving to Pearce! We ask that you continue to prayerfully consider how the Lord may be asking you to contribute resources not only to the church but to other efforts to assist others during this time as well. See the giving page of our website for different ways to donate to Pearce.

Pearce Year-to-Date Giving Update			
	2020 Budget	2020 Actual	2019 Actual
	thru 25 weeks	thru 25 weeks	thru 25 weeks
Operations	541,126	549,789	562,859
Building	82,770	71,103	82,781
Missions	19,472	20,310	20,179

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