

PEARCE CHURCH

NEWS, EVENTS & UPDATES | January 22, 2021

WORSHIP

This weekend, Pastor Todd continues our series, “Forward in Faith: A New Year’s Look at James,” with the message, “Faithful Words” from James 3:1-12. We hope you can **join us for worship on [Facebook](#) or [YouTube](#) at 5pm on Saturday and 10:30am Sunday**. We’re only meeting online right now, so help us continue to stay connected by commenting during the service—let us know how we can pray for you, tell us how you’re doing, or just say hello.

Did you know we offer a phone streaming service? This allows us to stream our worship service audio through the telephone. If you have a phone, you can be a part of our Sunday worship services. Once you add your number to our phone stream list, you don’t need to worry about dialing in every Sunday—you’ll receive a call from our phone stream number when a service goes live. [Click this link](#) for instructions on how to get started.

ANNUAL CELEBRATION

Our **Annual Celebration** is coming Wednesday, February 3, at 6:30pm. This year’s theme is “Forward in Faith.” We’ll review what did and didn’t happen in 2020, praise God for His faithfulness throughout the year, and look forward in faith to what God has in store for our church in 2021. Due to COVID restrictions, we will be meeting via Zoom. (A recorded video of the Zoom webinar will be available to watch after the fact on Facebook and YouTube.) On February 3 at 6:30pm, you can [click this link to join our Zoom webinar](#). The passcode to join is: 098681

We’re offering a dessert sampler for families to pick up at the church on the day of the Annual Celebration (February 3), between 12-5pm. Samplers will include Carrot Cake, Cream Puffs, Brownie Ganache, and Cheesecake. You can enjoy your goodies while watching the meeting on Zoom. To order your dessert sampler, [follow this link and fill out the form](#).

All full members of Pearce are encouraged to **vote for new members of the Official Board and Nominating Committee**. There are three slots open for serving on the Official Board for three-year terms. The five nominees are Mark Bates, Karen Hopkins, Kimberly LaCelle, Linda Mantegna, and Mike Wilson. There are also three slots open for serving on the Nominating Committee for three-year terms. These individuals have been nominated for the Nominating Committee: Lois Corbett, Rob Distaffen, Jim Fugate, Dan Kennedy, Bill Lloyd, John Monroe, and Wes Tagliaferre. You can learn more about our nominees at [pearcechurch.org/annualcelebration](#). Voting will take place online this year but there will be an option to vote by mail or in-person at the reception desk for those who don’t have access to a computer.

- **To vote in person**, stop at the Pearce reception desk anytime between 7am-6pm, February 1-February 5.
- **To vote by mail**, call the church office at 585-594-9488 by January 29 to request a mail-in kit. Mail-in votes must be postmarked by February 6 or dropped in the outer cafe dropbox by February 7.
- **To vote online**, [click this link](#) February 1-7. Unique login information for each member has been sent out. If you lose that information or have questions, contact the church office at pearce@pearcechurch.org or 585-594-9488.

COMMUNITY

Journey Kids is meeting virtually on Sundays: School Age (K-5th) from 9:30-9:55am; Preschool (2-4 years) from 9:55-10:15am. The children can catch up with friends and Journey Kids teachers, hear and discuss a Bible story from our virtual curriculum, I Belong to Jesus, and work on a craft together as well as other fun and creative ideas that our Journey Kids staff are developing. If your child is interested in joining us, email Lydia Monroe (monroe_lydia@pearcechurch.org) to be added to the weekly meeting invitation email.

Teenagers in grades 6-12, contact TC at corbett_tom@pearcechurch.org for more information about youth activities or to receive Zoom invitation emails.

- **Journey Teens Equip Study Hour** meets virtually on Sundays at 9am.
- **Bible Quizzing for Journey Teens** continues Zoom practices on Tuesday evenings and virtual tournaments every month.
- **Youth Group** meets virtually on Wednesdays at 6:30pm.

We're celebrating the 2nd anniversary of Celebrate Recovery at Pearce! You're invited to join the group on Wednesday, January 27, at 6:30pm for a chance to learn what CR is all about, celebrate recovery milestones, and hear live testimony of a recovery journey from our group. Due to COVID, CR is held virtually so if you want to join the meeting, email cr@peacechurch.org and request the Zoom information.

Our Facebook group name has changed to Pearce Place. The new name conveys a sense of warmth and welcome. We hope the space is safe and comfortable where people can share life with its joys and concerns. Everyone should feel like they belong and can connect with one another. We hope you enjoy the new name, and more importantly, participate in this space to love, support, encourage, and care for one another in our journey together. If you haven't joined our [FB group](#), we invite you to take the time to do that now.

SERVE

Thank you to those who support our Food Cupboard as we continue to serve families in our area when they are in need. We have an exciting story to share! Over the past few weeks, we've received such a large amount of donations that the food did not all fit in our Food Cupboard room and needed to be stored in the Family Life Center. We had way more than we could give away in a reasonable timeframe. So, in addition to our regular donations going out from Pearce every Monday, we were able to contact Samaritans Harvest, New Hope Church, and Open Door Baptist Church and they were thrilled to pick up food this past week to help them serve more than 100 families. We are blessed to be a blessing!

For the past several years, **Pearce has been a support congregation for RAIHN** (Rochester Area Interfaith Hospitality Network), a not-for-profit organization that assists homeless families to achieve sustainable independence by supporting them with tailored services including shelter, food, and case management. RAIHN is changing its name to Family Promise and is hosting two State of the Organization meetings this winter: February 2 at noon and February 3 at 7pm. Register for this virtual event to hear program updates from RAIHN/Family Promise of Greater Rochester and learn about the organization's pending name change. Click to register: [February 2](#); [February 3](#).

GIVE

Thanks for supporting Pearce! Your continued financial support of Pearce is deeply appreciated. [Ways to give:](#)

- [give online](#)
- text "GIVE" to 585-617-0773 on your cell phone
- drop a check in the mail or our outdoor dropbox (just outside the café entrance)
- contact your bank and set up automatic giving

Pearce Year-to-Date Giving Update			
	2021 Budget	2021 Actual	2020 Actual
	thru 3 weeks	thru 3 weeks	thru 3 weeks
Operations	64,935	33,499	51,660
Building	9,932	4,431	9,951
Missions	2,337	1,685	2,083