

# PEARCE CHURCH

News, Events & Updates • March 4, 2021

## WORSHIP

**In-Person Worship Services resume this weekend!** The Saturday service starts at 5pm and Sunday worship begins at 10:30am. Those joining us in person are asked to register on the [Regathering page of our website](#). COVID guidelines are still in effect, including social distancing, wearing masks while in the building, and thorough sanitizing. As excited as we are to see everyone again, we do understand that not everyone will be ready to meet back in the building. We'll continue to livestream our Sunday morning service to [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#).

**Journey Kids (birth-5<sup>th</sup> grade):** Nursery care (birth-PreKindergarten) is provided during the Saturday evening service. On Sunday morning, nursery care (birth up to age 2) is provided and Sunday School is offered for kids (age 2 years-5<sup>th</sup> grade) during the service.

**This weekend,** Pastor Todd continues our Lenten Sermon Series, "The Power of Sacrifice" with the message "Razed and Raised" from John 2:13-22.

**Holy Communion will be served in services this weekend.** We invite those joining us from home to prepare bread and juice before the service begins. Our tradition is to receive an **Exit Offering** at the end of services when Communion is served. This weekend's Exit Offering is for Mike and Andrea Green, Free Methodist missionaries to Uruguay. The Greens are stepping down from their position as Free Methodist missionaries so they can focus on their marriage and family at this time. Our Exit Offering will help them get settled as they move back to Michigan in May. You can read more about their decision and transition in [this letter they wrote to our Pearce congregation](#). To give to this Exit Offering, you can mail a check to the church or use the drop-box outside our café entrance. (Mark checks for "March 6/7 Exit Offering" and make sure cash is in an envelope labeled "March 6/7 Exit Offering.")

## HOLY WEEK AT PEARCE

Easter is just one month away! Throughout Holy Week, we'll celebrate the hope we have because of Easter. This will be a wonderful opportunity to invite a friend or family member to come to church with you. As you add these services and events to your calendar, consider who you might invite to join you. Later this month, we'll have graphics to post on social media and postcards that you can use to make those invitations.

- **Good Friday, April 2:** Our Good Friday Service will be livestreamed at 7pm on FB and YouTube and will be available to watch any time after the service ends. Holy Communion will be served. We encourage you to prepare bread and juice at home before the service begins. (The church office and building will be closed on Good Friday.)
- **Holy Saturday, April 3:** Join us for our Saturday Worship Service in Parmerter Chapel at 5pm. This contemplative service is one of hope, even in the darkness—we wait for Easter Sunday with expectancy. *Nursery care provided (birth-Pre-Kindergarten).*
- **Easter Sunday, April 4:**
  - We're getting an early start to our Easter celebration this year with a **Sunrise Service** in the Orchard Street parking lot at 7:30am. One highlight of this service will be singing songs of praise and celebration together!
  - **Easter Breakfast** will be served in the Family Life Center from 8-10am. The menu includes pastries, buttermilk pancakes, breakfast sausages, ham steaks, and fresh-cut fruit. The breakfast is free, donations accepted.
  - We invite you to join us for our **Easter Sunday Service** at 10:30am in the Sanctuary. Pastor Todd will bring the message, "Unexpected," from John 20:1-18. *Nursery care provided (birth-Pre-Kindergarten); kids bags available for school-aged children.*

## COMMUNITY

**Pearce 4 Kids Summer Camp:** Parents, are you looking for a fun program for your kids this summer? You should check out Pearce 4 Kids Summer Day Camp! Camp is an 8-week summer program for kids entering Kindergarten this fall through children 12 years of age. Each week (June 28-August 20) includes fun activities designed around that week's theme, like Hollywood (Movies), Tokyo (Olympics), and Canada (Hockey Week). Children going into Kindergarten and

1st grade will enjoy activities in a separate hallway from the older campers. Brochures with more information, including pricing and how to register, are available at the lobby Welcome Desk.

### Teenagers (grades 6-12):

- **Journey Teens Equip Study Hour** meets virtually on Sundays at 9 am.
- **James and Nate Weise** live stream on Sunday mornings at 11:30 to Journey Teens [FB](#) and [Instagram](#).
- **Bible Quiz** practice is held at the church on Tuesdays at 6:30pm.
- **Youth Group** meets virtually on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm.

Contact TC at [corbett\\_tom@pearcechurch.org](mailto:corbett_tom@pearcechurch.org) for more information about youth activities or to receive Zoom invitations.

**Journey Teen Movie Night (grades 6-12)** is happening Friday, March 12, from 7-10pm in The Loft—popcorn, candy, and beverages provided! Teens will be watching *The Apostle* that, according to Focus on the Family’s review, “...offers something rarely found in mainstream motion pictures: a springboard for discussions of faith, sin, and forgiveness” (<https://www.pluggedin.com/movie-reviews/apostle/>). RSVP to TC at [corbett\\_tom@pearcechurch.org](mailto:corbett_tom@pearcechurch.org) by March 10.

### Support Groups:

- The **Dementia Caregivers Support Group** meets at noon in the Pearce Conference Room on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. This group supports dementia caregivers who face frustration, and even anger, as a part of everyday life. To learn more, contact Mary Lou Bates ([jmlbates@gmail.com](mailto:jmlbates@gmail.com)).
- If you have experienced the death of a loved one, we want you to know you are not alone. **Grief Care** can provide you with many avenues for care and encouragement during your time of loss. The group uses the [GriefShare curriculum](#) and meets at 6:30pm on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month in the Upper Room. Contact Dorcas McCown ([dorcasmccown@mac.com](mailto:dorcasmccown@mac.com)) to learn how to join this group.
- **Celebrate Recovery Community Group** meets on Wednesdays at 6:30pm in the Journey Kids hallway. This is a safe place where we can be set free from our hurts, habits, and hang-ups. CR is an open meeting, and everyone is welcome. Contact the CR leadership team at [cr@pearcechurch.org](mailto:cr@pearcechurch.org) to learn more.

### SERVE

The Journey Kids staff are planning a **special Easter outreach project for the children** this year and they could use your help! They’ll need close to 400 plastic Easter eggs and many, many bags of jelly beans (plain ones, nothing fancy!). Even though this is a children’s project, we would love to have the whole church involved. If you’re out shopping and can grab a bag or two of jelly beans or plastic Easter eggs, that would be great! Donations can be dropped off in the wagon outside the Journey Kids hallway (by the reception desk) any time until Sunday, March 14. Contact Lydia with questions at [monroe\\_lydia@pearcechurch.org](mailto:monroe_lydia@pearcechurch.org).

**Job Opening:** We are looking for a part-time Worship Arts Tech Director to be part of our Sunday morning team. This individual should have previous experience in mixing sound and audio in both live and recorded settings, post-production, ProPresenter, and working or volunteering on a tech team. Visit [pearcechurch.org/jobs](http://pearcechurch.org/jobs) to find a job description and submit your resume. Contact Jessie at [keim\\_jessie@pearcechurch.org](mailto:keim_jessie@pearcechurch.org) with questions.

### GIVE

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- contact your bank and set up automatic giving