

# PEARCE CHURCH

News, Events & Updates • October 22, 2021

## WORSHIP

**This weekend**, Pastor Todd Daningburg will continue the sermon series on the Free Methodist Way (FM Way), with the message “Love-Driven Justice” from Isaiah 58:6-12. We also will welcome Kara Story, our Interim Sunday Worship Director, and her husband, Parker.

## COMMUNITY

**Conversations on Race** are two opportunities taking place in the coming weeks for us to listen and learn more about issues of justice and the important role of the Church when it comes to racial reconciliation. These relate to the current sermon series on the Free Methodist Way, especially with the value of Love-Driven Justice.

- “America’s Racial Divide: How did we get here and what can the Church do about it?” with Nicole Doyley on Wednesday, October 27 at 6:30-8pm in Parmerter Chapel.
- “Racist Policy and Resistance in Rochester” with Shane Wiegand on Wednesday, November 3 at 6:30-8pm in the Friendship Center.

Childcare for nursery-5<sup>th</sup> grade will be provided, with intentional, related learning activities for those above nursery age. More information on these conversations and speakers can be found on our [website](#).

**Giving:** Thank you for the generous outpouring of gifts through your tithes and offerings this past weekend (Operations - \$21,514.04; Building - \$3,184.00; and Missions - \$2,798.00). As we continue through this final quarter of the year, all are encouraged to pray diligently and give generously as the Lord leads. Help Pearce finish 2021 strong and prepare for a new year of our mission to Engage, Enfold, Equip, and Exalt. Giving in three primary ways enables us to carry out our ministry, provide for the retirement of our building debt, and support our missionaries globally and locally. Let us join to do together what we cannot do alone as faithful stewards of the provisions God has given. As Moses directed God’s people in Deuteronomy 26:10-11, we say, “Now I bring the firstfruits of the soil that you, Lord, have given me,” and then we can, “Rejoice in all the good things the Lord your God has given to you.”

**2022 Giving Envelopes:** Thanks for your financial support of Pearce! We will soon be ordering new giving envelopes. If you do not currently receive giving envelopes and would like to have a set for 2022, please contact [Jess Alcorn](#) by Friday, October 29. If you have extras you didn’t use this year and can use them next year, or if you’ve switched to online or mobile giving and don’t plan to use physical giving envelopes for 2022, please let Jess know that as well.

**Kids Gym** is a weekly time for preschoolers and their caregivers to participate in safe, interactive play from 9-10am on Wednesdays in the Family Life Center.

Fall has just started but Thanksgiving is not far away, and planning is already underway for our annual **Thanksgiving Community Food Ministry**. Our goal this year is to provide boxes of food, fresh produce, and frozen turkeys for 1050 families in the Rochester area. In addition to families identified by Pearce, we partner with our sister church, Heart & Soul, as well as Rochester Family Mission, a dozen or so additional city churches and local agencies to identify families in need. How can you help? Look [HERE](#) for more info on how to fill an Adopt-a-Box, send financial support, and other ways you can participate in this community-wide ministry!

**Fall Ministries** are up and running! Below are some options to consider!

- **Sunday Discipleship Hour:** Classes are Sundays from 9-10am. A list of class options can be found [here!](#)
- **Community Bible Study (CBS):** The class is open to women and children (up to age 11). The study includes Daniel, 1&2 Timothy, Titus, and James. This in-person Wednesday morning class meets from 10:30am-12:30pm. Online

options are also available on Wednesday morning and evening. For more information or to register, check out the CBS [website](#) or contact the class coordinator, Debbie Stahl, at 303-522-7933 or Laura Cockrell at 585-802-9569. (Children's classes are currently full so any children will be put on a wait list.)

- **Pearce Teens:**

- **Wednesday Night Youth Group (WNYG)** meets regularly on Wednesdays from 6:30-8pm.
- **Sunday Morning "Teen Talks"** are on Sunday mornings from 9-10am in the Loft.
- **Bible Quiz** team practices are on Tuesdays from 7-8:30pm in the teen area with tournaments once a month on Saturday from October through April.
- Our first **HSE (High School Exclusive)** event of the year will be on **Friday, October 22 from 7-9pm at Pearce.**
- **Parents** can stay up to date by following the Pearce Teens Parents FB page.
- More info on all of the above teen activities can be found on the Pearce [teens page](#).

- **Golden Heirs:** Adults 55 and older meet monthly (September-June) to share lunch together on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month. The next luncheon is on November 8 at noon in the Friendship Center. Cost is \$5 per person.
- **Grief Care:** After the funeral, when the cards and flowers have stopped, your grief continues and you sometimes feel alone. You're not. Our Grief Care support group is for those grieving the loss of a loved one. The group meets every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 6:30pm in the Upper Room and will meet next on November 2. Questions can be sent to Dorcas McCown at [dorcasmccown@mac.com](mailto:dorcasmccown@mac.com).
- **Dementia Caregivers Support Group** meets the third Tuesday of every month at noon in the Pearce Conference room. Bring your lunch with you. If you are providing care for a family member who has dementia, this group can be a great source of caring, understanding, and support. The next meeting will be November 16. For more information, call Mary Lou Bates at 585-754-3462.
- **Celebrate Recovery (CR)** is a Christ-centered, 12 step recovery program for anyone struggling with hurt, pain, or addiction of any kind. This is a safe place to find community and freedom from the issues that are controlling our life. Community CR meets on Wednesdays from 6:30-8pm at Pearce in the Kids Ministry Worship Room. You can read more about Celebrate Recovery on their website: [www.celebraterecovery.com](http://www.celebraterecovery.com) . Questions can be directed to our leadership team by emailing [CR@pearcechurch.org](mailto:CR@pearcechurch.org).

## GIVE

Thank you for your **Food Cupboard** donations! Currently, we are running low on the following items: individually packed toothbrushes, canned potatoes, mixed vegetables and carrots; canned mandarin oranges, and pears; and pineapple and strawberry or orange marmalade jams. Donations may be left in the shopping cart in the main lobby when the building is open. If you are interested in being on the volunteer list as a backup when needed, please contact [Carolyn Showers](#).

**Thank you** for your continued financial support of Pearce! Check out the various [ways to give](#).

## Employment Opportunities:

- **Pearce 4 Kids Child Care Center** is looking for **full-time lead teachers** to work with our preschool age children. These positions involve planning and implementing curriculum, organizing the daily schedule, giving direction to a teacher's assistant and communicating effectively with parents. Qualifications for these positions include one of the following:
  - Associate's Degree or higher in Early Childhood, Child Development or related field
  - Child Development Associate Credential (CDA)
  - 9 College credits in Early Childhood, Child Development or a related field with a plan leading to a CDA credential.

For more information, please contact [Lydia Monroe](#) or [Mattie Laley](#).

- Pearce is in need of part-time **evening facilities staff**. We are in search of capable, responsible and team-oriented people, who can be available for a typical schedule of 6-9:30pm on weekdays, with occasional weekend hours. If interested, please contact [Bob Antes](#).
- Pearce is looking for a **Communications Director** to oversee all aspects of communication at Pearce! This position involves developing and implementing communication strategies to reach our community for Jesus, and keeping folks informed of things happening at Pearce. We are accepting applications through October. If you are interested, please submit your resumé to [Honna Curtis](#).