PEARCE CHURCH

News, Events & Updates • August 5, 2022

Worship Services

This weekend, Pastor Todd will begin the sermon series, Unshakeable Faith: Lessons from Hebrews 11-13, with the message, "Seeking a Homeland" from Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16. We will also celebrate Communion together and have a special exit offering for Oliver, from Nzige, Rwanda who is sponsored by the children from Pearce.

Sunday Morning Prayer - God is doing a new thing! In response, a group is gathering to pray for the morning service. We meet and pray each week at 9am in the Parlor. We hope you will join us for one or more weeks of this special prayer time for our church! Please contact <u>Pastor Colleen</u> if you have any questions.

Kids' Worship - Nursery care will be provided for children aged infant thru pre-K. Kids who are completing Kindergarten – those completing 5th grade will begin worship service in the Sanctuary with their families and then be dismissed partway through the service to attend Kids' Worship with their peers.

Fall Worship & Discipleship Schedule - We hope you have enjoyed the summer worship time on Sundays. The staff is excited to announce that our Sunday worship service will remain at 9:30am into the new ministry year. Discipleship will move to after the worship service to help accommodate new plans and efforts in this area, and information for all age groups will be relayed in the coming weeks. Please note that our Saturday service will remain at 5pm.

ROOTED - What is the first thing you think about when you see the word, "rooted?" Do you think of growth, a strong foundation, roots spreading deep and wide as they are watered and fed? Pearce is planning to embark on a whole new discipleship pathway and the first stop is ROOTED! ROOTED is an experience for everyone whether you are new to faith or long-time follower of Christ. Expect the amazing transformation, healing and growth that follows. For 10 weeks, starting September 18, join a ROOTED group and deepen your connection with God, His Church, and your purpose in the epic story He is writing through human history.

What does it involve?:

- 10 weeks meeting and interacting with a small group on Sundays from 10:45am-12:15pm, starting September 18 thru November 20. It is recommended that a person not miss more than two sessions to fully benefit from ROOTED
- 7 Rhythms Daily Devotion, Prayer, Repentance, Sacrificial Generosity, Serve the Community, Share your Story, and Worship
- Purchase of a ROOTED workbook for \$20 (Email Pastor Colleen if you need assistance due to cost)
- An open mind and heart to where God will take you and your ROOTED Group

ROOTED will be the discipleship option for all ages (Teens – Adults) in the Fall. KidsMin will touch on elements of this experience that are age appropriate. Don't wait - <u>register today!</u>

This Week (August 5-12)

Sunday, August 7

• Are you a college-age young adult (18-24 years old) looking for something fun to do on Sunday, August 7? There will be a **College Cookout** hosted by ministry intern, Carson DiFranco, at the Pearce Mission House (located at 49 Orchard Street), from 12-5pm. Stop in if you're free that afternoon to enjoy some good food and hang out with other college-age friends.

Monday, August 8

• **Celebrate Recovery (CR)** – from 6:30-8pm in the Friendship Center. You can read more about CR on <u>their website</u>. Questions can be directed to CR leadership by emailing <u>Pastor Colleen</u>.

Plan Ahead

Level Up! Check out the <u>Level Up page</u> on our website! The elevator is being upgraded in early/mid August as there have been supply chain issues which have bumped back the planned start date several times. We needed to raise \$35,000 to complete the project and, as of this week, only need an additional \$4,069 to meet that goal! Please pray about this special giving opportunity and, if you feel led to give, you may donate via cash, check or by using the online giving page and selecting "Elevator Project." Those who would like to pledge an amount to give are encouraged to let us know by completing a pledge card at the Welcome Center. Thank you.

A **memorial service** to celebrate the life of **Sherwood Everett** will be held at Pearce on Saturday, August 13 at 1pm. Please continue to pray for the family during this time.

Did you know that singing has measurable health benefits? Studies show that singing can enhance memory, expand lung function, relieve stress, and may even lessen snoring! So, please, join us in a congregational **Hymn Sing** on Sunday, August 14 at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary. It promises to be a time of blessing for all, inside and out! Bring your voice and a song request as we "speak to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit."

Dementia Caregivers Support Group: Meets monthly on the 3rd Tuesday, from 12-1:30pm in the Conference Room. The next meeting is August 16. Please bring your lunch with you. For more details, call Mary Lou Bates at 585-754-3462.

Family Game Night will take place on Wednesday, August 24 from 6-8pm in the Pearce gym. Bring your kids (any age) for an evening of fun and delicious snacks!

All current or interested worship ministry volunteers are warmly invited to our fall kick-off event! Please join us for a **September Soiree** on Friday, September 9 from 6-8pm in the Friendship Center. Come share in a delicious meal and fellowship as we commit together to seek and serve the Lord through worship ministries this year. <u>RSVP to Julie</u> <u>Smith</u> by Monday, September 5.

Send us a note to update us on a new address, family member, contact info, prayer requests and more!

Give/Serve

Thank you to all who are donating to our **Food Pantry**! This week's needs are: purée, stewed, or whole tomatoes; mayonnaise; jam/jelly; baked beans; sugar-free Jell-O; coffee creamer; single toothbrushes; detergent and large garbage bags. Please contact the church or <u>Carolyn Showers</u> to set up an appointment.

Thank you for your continued financial support of Pearce! Check out the various ways to give.