

# PEARCE CHURCH

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Dear Pearce Family,

John 6 tells the story of Jesus feeding the 5,000 with the simple lunch of a boy. It included five loaves and two fish. After the crowd was fed, there were twelve basketfuls of fish and bread left over, enough for each disciple to have a “take-home” meal. Amazing!

I love how children often lead the way in having faith. Jesus once said that to enter the Kingdom, we have to have faith like that of a child. As I look at what I have and what others need, I wonder if I would be as willing as that child to share. He didn't worry if he would have enough, if he would lose his lunch, if he would go hungry. He simply shared. And the reason Jesus invites us to share is that everyone needs him. In the case on that hillside, the “crowd” was coming to Jesus – people of every background, situation, motive, and need. None were judged unworthy. All were welcomed warmly. Everyone was fed. The little offered in faith was multiplied to be more than enough.

When people come to Pearce, are they coming because they see Jesus here? And as they come, will we feed them because we see Jesus in them? Are we willing to share what we have, trusting Jesus to make it more than enough? Everyone is hungry for something. Everyone needs to feel valued and that they belong. Let's pray that crowds of people come to Pearce because Jesus is here in us. And then be willing to feed them because we see Jesus in them. *“The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’”* (Matthew 25:40). All it takes is the faith of a child.

With Faith,  
Pastor Todd