

PEARCE CHURCH

News, Events & Updates • December 12, 2025

This Weekend (December 13 & 14)

Saturday Worship: 5:00pm / Sunday Worship: 9:30am

Sermon Series: Hope Reborn
Sermon Title: Everlasting Father
Preaching Pastor: Pastor Brian
Scripture: John 1:1-8

This Week (December 12 – December 19)

Friday, December 12

- Christmas Story Hour for kids and their families
 - Time/Location: 6:30 - 8pm in Parmerter Chapel
 - Join in the fun by bringing a blanket or sleeping bag, wearing your pajamas, etc.
 - A reception with snacks and crafts will immediately follow Story Hour in the Family Life Center

Sunday, December 14

- Sunday Morning Prayer at 9am – feel free to spend time in prayer in the Parlor prior to the service
- Pearce Church and Grace Choirs special musical celebration, The Messiah Has Come! will begin at 3pm in the Sanctuary – If you are unable to attend in person, a livestream will be available on the Pearce YouTube channel or by clicking on [this link](#)
- Bible Quizzing meets from 6:30 – 8pm in the Loft

Monday, December 15

- Celebrate Recovery, a space for honest connection and shared experiences as God is invited into our healing, meets at 6:30pm in the Friendship Center - to learn more, go [here](#) to email your questions

Tuesday, December 16

- Tuesday Men's Breakfast – 7am at Town and Country Family Restaurant (3205 Chili Ave, Rochester, NY 14624)
- Tuesday Morning Bible Study (men and women) meet from 9-10:15am in Room 80 (NOTE: there is no class on December 23 & December 30)
- Dementia caregivers support group meets at noon in the Conference Room
- Adult Floor Hockey meets from 6:45-8:45pm in the Family Life Center for older teens and adults

Wednesday, December 17

- Mid-Week Prayer Gathering from 6:30 – 7:30pm in Room 136 (KidsMin hallway)
- Oasis (Youth Group) meets at 6:30pm in the Loft
- Choir Rehearsal from 6:30 – 7:30pm in the Sanctuary
- Worship Team Rehearsal from 7:30 – 8:30pm in the Sanctuary

Thursday, December 18

- Marys & Marthas Group will meet 11:30am in the Friendship Center
- Young Adults Small Group from 6:45 – 9pm at the home of Karensa Reber – go [here](#) for more details

Plan Ahead

December

- December 20 & 21: Munch and Mingle after both services
- December 20: Memorial Service for Wayne Drew at 1pm in the Sanctuary
- December 24, 25, 26: Pearce Office & P4K closed for Christmas
- December 24: Christmas Eve Service at 5pm in the Sanctuary – Childcare will be provided for infants through 4-year-olds (not yet in kindergarten)
- December 30: Widows & Widowers group meets at noon at the Town & County Restaurant (3205 Chili Ave, Rochester, NY 14624) for a time of food and fellowship
- December 31: Pearce Office & P4K will close at 3pm for New Year's Eve

January

- January 1 & 2: Pearce Office & P4K will be closed for New Year's
- January 6: Tuesday Morning Bible Study (men and women) begins a new study on Ruth & Esther from 9-10:15am in Room 80
- January 9: Parent Night Out (watch for more details in the coming weeks)
- January 15: Pearce 4 Kids PreK Open House from 6 – 7pm
- January 17: Preschool Open Gym from 9-10am in the Family Life Center - designed for children ages 1–5 and their caregivers, this is a warm and welcoming space to play, explore, and connect with other families during the cold winter months
- January 17 & 18: Teen and Adult Discipleship courses begin
- January 18: Segue for 4th - 6th graders
- January 31: Preschool Open Gym from 9-10am in the Family Life Center - designed for children ages 1–5 and their caregivers, this is a warm and welcoming space to play, explore, and connect with other families during the cold winter months

Giving & Serving Opportunities

- Thank you to all who donate to our **Food Cupboard!** This week's needs are:

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| ○ Quick Lunches (example: SpaghettiOs) | ○ Condiments |
| ○ Jelly | ○ Ground Coffee |
| ○ Salad Dressing | |

If you need food support, please contact the church to set up an appointment.

- **Year-End Giving:** Thank you for your faithful generosity throughout the year. Your financial support plays a vital role in furthering the ministry and mission of Pearce, and we are deeply grateful. To ensure your gifts are credited for the 2025 tax year, please note the following guidelines:
 - **In-Person or Mailed Gifts:** In accordance with IRS regulation, contributions must be received in the church office by Wednesday, December 31, at 3pm (the church will close early for New Year's Eve) or postmarked by December 31
 - **Online Giving:** Online donations must be initiated no later than December 31, 2025
 - **Gifts After December 31:** Any contributions received or postmarked after December 31, 2025, will be recorded as 2026 gifts
- **Check out the various [ways to give](#)** to support Operations, Missions, and the Free to Serve Campaign

Offering Envelopes:

For those who ordered giving envelopes, your box will be available for pickup at the Welcome Desk starting this weekend and, afterward, during regular business hours and before or after weekend services. If you did not order offering envelopes but would like a box, please email pearce@pearcechurch.org

Baptism Opportunity

Baptism at Pearce is an opportunity to publicly declare your faith. If interested, connect with a pastor or [fill out this online form](#) by January 11 and someone will be in touch with you to guide you through the next steps.

Employment Opportunity: Welcome Desk Receptionist

Go to [this link](#) to view the job opening or contact [Lydia Monroe](#), HR Director, for more information

Prayer

- **Prayer Chain:** Daily prayer updates are sent Monday through Friday at 3:30pm, providing information about the needs of our Pearce community. If you have a personal prayer request, update, or bereavement information to share, send it to pearce@pearcechurch.org, or call the church at 585-594-9488, and we will be sure to include it in our next update.