

# PEARCE CHURCH

News, Events & Updates • February 20, 2026

## This Weekend (February 21 & 22)

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

Sermon Series: Lent: Journey of Truth  
Sermon Title: True Grit  
Preaching Pastor: Pastor Brian  
Scripture: Matthew 4:1-11

## This Week (February 20 - 27)

### Saturday, February 21

- Latin America Mission Team returns home

### Sunday, February 22

- Sunday Morning Prayer at 9am – feel free to spend time in prayer in the Parlor prior to the service
- Bible Quizzing meets from 6:30 – 8pm in the Loft

### Monday, February 23

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

### Tuesday, February 24

- Tuesday Men's Breakfast – 7am at Town and Country Family Restaurant (3205 Chili Ave, Rochester, NY 14624)
- Tuesday Morning Bible Study for men and women from 9-10:15am in the Friendship Center
- Widows & Widowers group meets at noon at the Town & County Restaurant (3205 Chili Ave, Rochester, NY 14624)
- Adult Floor Hockey meets from 6:45 – 8:45pm in the family Life Center for older teens and adults

### Wednesday, February 25

- Oasis (Youth Group) meets at 6:30pm in the Loft
- Men's Choir Rehearsal from 7:30 – 8:30pm in Parmerter Chapel
- Worship Team Rehearsal from 7:30 – 8:30pm in the Sanctuary

### Thursday, February 26

- Marys and Marthas Group meets at 11:30 in the Friendship Center
- Young Adults Small Group from 6:45 – 9pm at the home of Karen Reber – go [here](#) for more details
- GCLT meets at 7pm in the Conference Room

### Friday, February 27

- Family Game Night at 6pm in the Café – go [here](#) for more information and to register your family's attendance

## Plan Ahead

- **February 27:** KidsMin Family Game Night from 6 – 8pm in the Café – go [here](#) to register
- **February 28:** Preschool Open Gym from 9-10am in the Family Life Center
- **February 28 & March 1:** Pastries with the Pastors
  - Time: Saturday 6:15 – 7pm | Sunday 10:45 – 11:30am
  - Location: Café
  - Description: A casual opportunity for those newer to Pearce to meet the pastors and hear a brief overview of Pearce's ministries
- **March 5:** Backpack food packing from noon to 1pm - go [here](#) to volunteer
- **March 8:** Segue for 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> graders from 6:30 – 8pm
- **March 14:** Preschool Open Gym from 9 -10am in the Family Life Center
- **March 17:** Camp Connect Planning Meeting meets at 6:30pm in the Café – all who are interested are welcome
- **March 20:** Parent Night out – watch for more details in the coming weeks

## Baptism Opportunity – March 15

Baptism at Pearce is an opportunity to publicly declare your faith. If interested, connect with a pastor or [fill out this online form](#) by February 27 and someone will be in touch with you to guide you through the next steps.

## Upcoming Adult Discipleship Courses (click on the course name below to register)

Note: Childcare is available for Infants - 5th graders for both courses

- [The Practices: Fasting](#)
  - Dates: Sundays, March 1 – 22
  - Time: 10:45am - noon
  - Facilitator: Cait Bates
  - Description: In this 4-week course, you will learn and grow together through video instruction, personal practice and reflection on fasting, and group sessions to process your reflections.
- [Explore Pearce](#)
  - Dates: Sundays, March 8 – 29
  - Time: 10:45 – noon
  - Location: Café
  - Description: In this 4-week course you will learn what we believe and who we are as a church family, as well as explore what it means to become a member.

## Pearce 4 Kids Child Care Center

Interested in Nursery School and/or Pre-Kindergarten for the fall? P4K Nursery School and Pre-K registration is now open. Go to [this link](#) to register or visit their webpage [here](#).

## Retreat Opportunity: S.H.E. – A Women's Retreat (Seek, Hear, Encounter)

- Dates: May 1 & 2
- Location: [Encounter Church](#) | 85 Freedom Lane | Milan, PA 18831
- Keynote Speakers: Pastor Colleen Dick and Kathryn Anderson
- Early Bird Cost: \$25 if registered by March 1 (\$40 after March 1)
- [Go here to register](#)

## Giving & Serving Opportunities

- If you need **food support**, please contact the church to set up an appointment
- **The RWU ministry group**, FREE, is collecting hygiene and warmth products in order to assemble hygiene care packages for individuals seeking to break free from the clutches of human trafficking. These packages will be donated to [Brightstar](#), an organization dedicated to providing support to adult women impacted by addiction and sexual exploitation. As a two-year residential program in Monroe County committed to this cause, Bright Star exemplifies resilience and compassion in its mission to empower survivors on their journey to healing and independence. Drop off items in the barrel in the Atrium Lobby anytime the church is open. Please ensure all donations are received by Monday, March 2 (note extended date for donations).

Suggested donations to create hygiene care packages include:

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| ○ Socks                      | ○ Travel Size Conditioner               |
| ○ Gloves                     | ○ Travel Size Tissues                   |
| ○ Hats                       | ○ Toothbrushes                          |
| ○ Emergency Thermal Blankets | ○ Toothpaste                            |
| ○ Hand/Foot Warmers          | ○ Deodorant                             |
| ○ Flashlights                | ○ Bar Soap                              |
| ○ Lip Balm/Chapstick         | ○ Hand Sanitizer                        |
| ○ Wet Wipes                  | ○ Snacks                                |
| ○ Travel Size Lotion         | ○ Gatorade Powder/Electrolyte/Emergen-C |
| ○ Travel Size Shampoo        |   |

- Check out the various [ways to give](#) to support Operations, Missions, and the Free to Serve Campaign

## Employment Opportunity: Full-Time Welcome Desk Receptionist

Visit [this link](#) to view the job opening, or contact [Lydia Monroe](#), HR Director, for more information. The position requires availability Monday through Friday, from 8am to 5pm, with an hour break for lunch.

**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](mailto:pearce@pearcechurch.org), or call the church at 585-594-9488, and we will be sure to include it in our next update.

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