

EVERY MEMBER A MINISTER

Thank You Volunteers!

Readers:

Jane Lavino
Addie Pascal

Hospitality Team:

Deb Keenan
Julie & Dan Matzke
Joan & John Shipman

December Deacons:

Julie Matzke
Deb Kopp

Gift Counters:

Julie Birrer
Kraig Kobert

Pinnacle Newsletter

Volunteer: Barb Huhn

Fellowship Snacks:

Julie Birrer
Bobbi Thomasma
Claudia Schrotz
June Nystrom
Kristi Steiert

Welcome Table:

Ingrid Watsabaugh

Accounts Payable

Volunteer: Louisa Sandvig

A Special Thank You!

To the Ladies Christmas Luncheon Team who put on a wonderful community event this week.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Wednesday Bus Drivers for JOY After-School
Sunday School Teachers
Nursery Care

GIVING

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." - 2 Corinthians 9:7

Giving generously is essential to our spiritual life and reflects our gratitude to God. There are many ways to give in addition to the baskets passed in worship...



***Mail** - a check to the Church office (please don't send cash)



***Online** - by clicking on the yellow Donate button on the bottom right of the screen, pcjh.org



***Text** - by texting a dollar amount to 307-200-2175. (You will be asked to provide billing information the first time.)



***Credit** or debit card payments, please contact Kim Bogen at kbogen@pcjh.org.

Thank you for your generosity!

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!

A Humble Christmas



Prophecies
Fulfilled in Jesus

Worship Service 10:15am December 11, 2016

Thoughts for the Day

"But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel."

-Luke 2:6

"Humility is the solid foundation of all virtues"

-Confucius

"In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death – even death on a cross!"

-Philippians 2:5-8

"Do you wish to rise? Begin by descending. You plan a tower that will pierce the clouds? Lay first the foundation of humility."

-St. Augustine

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF JACKSON HOLE

is a church where every member is a minister, called to pass on the faith, as we...

Gather to love God and others;

Grow to know and follow Jesus; and

Go to make a difference in the world.

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Presbyterian Church
JACKSON HOLE

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



Caroling & Potluck
TODAY, 4:00pm, Meet at
Pastor Tammy's house,
850 Seneca Lane.



Christmas Cantata
December 18th 10:15am,
Join us for this festive
arrangement of Christmas carols
and songs featuring the PCJH
Choir and full orchestra!
Nursery available.



Employment Opportunities
-Children's Ministry
Coordinator (FT)
-Youth Coordinator (PT)
-After School Staff (PT)
Please contact Tammy Letts for
more information, tletts@pcjh.org



Parent Information Gathering
This meeting is for all interested
parents of children and youth to
share vision, hopes and plans for
the children and youth ministries
for PCJH. Either today, 11:30am
Or Wednesday, December 14th at
5:15pm in the Genesis Room.



Christmas Outreach
Please join the Deacons this
month as we support the
Community Safety Network.
The "**Giving Tree**" in the lobby
is covered with ideas for
equipping the shelter and
providing gifts to residents
during Christmas. Choose one
or more idea ornaments and
bring the new or gently used
items back to the tree,
unwrapped, by Dec 19th.



Ascent Christmas Party
December 14th, 6:45pm
The young adults (20's & 30's) of
PCJH will be gathering at Blair
Apartments (115 A). Join us for a
fun evening! Please bring an
appetizer or dessert to share and a
white elephant gift. Contact Karin
Unruh, karinunruh@gmail.com
for more information.

End of Year Stewardship
Thank you for your generosity in
giving to the ministry of PCJH. In
order to meet our goal, we still
need to raise \$113,626 in 2016.
Please consider helping us reach
our goal.



WORSHIP

Sunday Worship Services:
8:00am – Traditional Worship Service
10:15am – Contemporary Worship Service

FELLOWSHIP

Wednesday Community Dinners – As a church we are intentional about gathering as a community during the week. Our Wednesday dinners are 6:15-7:00pm, September through May. Following dinner there are great programs and classes for all ages, 7:00-8:00pm. Let Christine Goodman know if you would like to help with setup, cleanup or in the kitchen, 307-690-1199.

Holy Yoga – Mondays, 9:15am. Come enjoy a time of worship, movement, and inspiration. \$10 suggested donation.

Dinner Groups – If you would like to join a monthly fellowship dinner group, please contact Deb Schlinger, debbieschlinger@gmail.com.

MISSION & OUTREACH

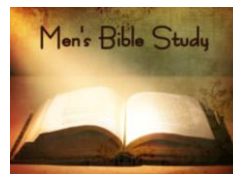
Good Samaritan Mission – PCJH prepares a meal at the local mission monthly, the second Thursday of every month, 5:00-6:15pm. Anyone is welcome to provide a dish for this meal and groups are encouraged! Please contact Katie-Chloe Stock with questions, katiechloe1@gmail.com.

Stephen Ministry – PCJH provides trained Stephen Ministers who are available to meet with you one-on-one to provide regular support and care for you during a difficult time or season in life. Please contact Pastor Ben if you would like to meet with a Stephen Minister.

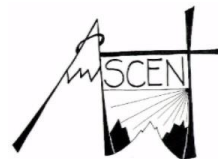
ADULT CLASSES



Women's Bible Study
Tuesdays, 12:00pm at PCJH, in
the Matthew Room w/ Pastor Ben



Men's Bible Study
Thursdays, 12:00pm at the Whole
Grocer, in the Community Room
w/ Pastor Ben



**Ascent: Young Adults
(20's & 30's)**
Christmas Party this week.
6:45pm, appetizers,
dessert and white elephant
gift exchange.



Book of Acts (will resume in January)
Sundays at 9:00am with
Pastor Tammy in the
Genesis room.



The Bible and Handel's Messiah
With Pastor Tammy, Sundays, 9:00am
and Wednesdays, 7:00pm in the
Genesis Room.

GET TO KNOW US

Pastoral Staff

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Ruling Elders

Ruling Elders are the spiritual leaders of the church.
Session meetings are the third Tuesday of every month at 5:30pm.

<u>Class of 2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Larry Huhn <i>Building & Grounds*</i>	Katie-Chloe Stock <i>Missions</i>	Barb Andrews <i>Children/Youth</i>
Alan Lund <i>Finance</i>	Nancy Dunlap <i>Worship</i>	Peter Keenan <i>Nominating</i>
Debbie Schlinger <i>Congregational Life</i>	Larry Jorgenson <i>Clerk of Session</i>	Pat Wright <i>Stewardship</i>
Alli Lane <i>Small Groups</i>	Patty McDonald* <i>Personnel</i>	Warren VanGenderen <i>Adult Ministries</i>

Deacons

Deacons provide the ministry of compassion and service for those in need.

<u>Class of 2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Kenlyn Long Deb Kopp* Julie Matzke Kerry Murphy Irene Lund Jennifer Wolf Randy & Robyn Reedy	Michael Adams* Joanie Shipman* Carol Poole Julie Whitlock* Jackie Montgomery Nancy Brumsted Sandra Zender Donna Barrett* Karen Brennan*	Jen Baki Tena Webb* Deb Keenan Barb Huhn* Yvonne Henze* Erin Rosenberg Paula Jorgenson Dylan Wade

*serving second term

FACILITIES

Our facilities are available to rent for meetings, events, etc.
Please contact Cindy Dahlin for details, cdahlin@pcjh.org.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Children's Ministry Coordinator (FT)
Youth Coordinator (PT)
After School Staff (PT)

Please contact Tammy Letts for more information, tletts@pcjh.org

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY

Nursery

Available Sundays, 8:00-11:30am, 0-3 years old

Sunday School

We gather together weekly during the 10:15 worship service and have classes based on age groups: 4yrs to K, 1st and 2nd grade, 3-5th grade and 6-8th grade. We strive to help each child develop a relationship with Jesus Christ and develop a loving personal relationship with each child.

Little Lambs Preschool

The mission of Little Lambs is to provide a loving environment that promotes the social, physical, intellectual and spiritual development for your child. Little lambs runs from September – June. Classes available 9:00am - 3:00pm, M-F, plus before and after care.
Please sign up online, www.pcjh.org.
Contact Effie Edwards, eedwards@pcjh.org



JOY After School

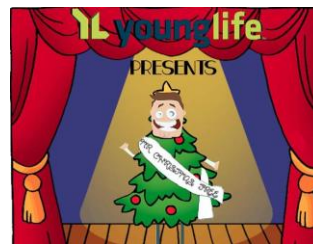
Our After-School program is offered for any children in Kindergarten through Fifth grade in any of the local elementary schools. The program runs September - June and is from the school's dismissal until 6:15pm, Wednesday. We have a healthy snack, homework time, Bible devotional, music, and organized/free playtime. Please contact Renee Knutson, rknutson@pcjh.org.



Mr. Xmas Tree

Monday, December 12th
7:47pm

Come see the debut Mr. Xmas Tree event at the Pink Garter Theater. Enjoy a high school holiday event and experience the fun that is Young Life. 2017 Summer Camp signups will be available after the performance.



Middle School

12/11 – All Church Caroling

1/8 – NEXT meeting, 4:30pm



Music Department

Adult & Children's choirs, and music lessons (piano, guitar, strings & voice). Contact Kenny Hadden music@pcjh.org. Listen to our worship music on the 'pcjhmusic' playlist on Spotify.



WE GATHER IN GRATEFUL WORSHIP

Welcome and Opening Prayer

(Lighting of the Advent Candles)

Hymn of Praise

O Come All Ye Faithful (Hymn #41)

Prayer of Confession*

Addie Pascal

Lord of Christmas Peace, we have done wrong. We have tarnished the gift you gave freely. We have buried you so deeply in our hearts, the world doesn't see you. We have not followed Christ, we have ignored your teachings, we have lived lives of apathy against your love, we have built fences and fortresses to push people away, and we have silenced the screams of those in need. Forgive us, we pray. Free us from our sin, free us from our captivity, free us to a life lived in joy through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

One: Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Your sins are pardoned. The penalty is paid.

All: Thanks be to God.

Song of Response

O Little Town of Bethlehem (Hymn 44, v.4)

Passing the Peace of Christ

(Take a few moments to greet one another)

A TIME FOR FAMILY CELEBRATION

News of the Church Family

(Please sign and pass the welcome pads)

Every Member a Minister

Deb Keenan

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

(Forgive us our sins)

Giving Generously of our Tithes and Offerings

(Electronic giving instructions are on the back bottom of this bulletin)

Intergenerational Christmas Pageant

Time for a Change

WE GROW BY LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Time for Reflection and Study

Rev. Ben Pascal

A Humble Christmas

WE GO TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN GOD'S WORLD

The Benediction

Joy To The World

Fellowship in the Lobby

(Please enjoy food and fellowship after the service, and stop by the welcome table on your way out)

WELCOME VISITORS!

If you are new to PCJH we want to welcome you and let you know we are glad you are here! We hope you feel at home here and experience God's presence and grace today. We would love to get to know you, so please leave your information on a **welcome pad** located in each row. **Nametags** are also available at the welcome table and help us all greet one another.

Children on Sunday

8:00am - Children are welcome to worship with their family. The nursery is also available for children during the entire service.

10:15am - Today is a special Sunday with an intergenerational performance of the Christmas Story. Children are to stay in worship and enjoy the storytelling. The nursery is available for children 0-4 years old. There is no Sunday School today.

Want to know more about PCJH?

Please stop by our Welcome Table in the lobby.

Our next **Church Information Class** with Pastor Ben will be on Sunday, January 22nd from 11:30am to 2:00pm. Lunch and childcare provided.

Please RSVP with Cindy at cdahlin@pcjh.org



Nametags on Sundays

Please remember to wear your nametags to help us get to know one another better.

HOW TO STAY CONNECTED



Website

www.pcjh.org



Facebook



Weekly Email

Let us know if you would like your email added, office@pcjh.org



Monthly Newsletter

Available for pick-up in the Lobby, view online, or by mail upon request



Sermons Online

pcjh.org/online-sermons/



Prayer Requests

pcjh.org/prayer-requests/

PRAYER

If there is anything you would like our prayer team to be praying about or you would like to be added to the prayer email list, please let us know, office@pcjh.org.

"Be joyful always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." - 1Thessalonians 5:16-18

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