



Attention Garden lovers!



Individual working plots available this summer in the PCJH Garden of Eatin'.

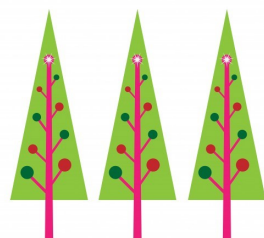
No cost. Enjoy digging in the dirt and growing your own vegetables.

Please contact Meg Womack at megwomack75@gmail.com if you are interested.

Interested in a PCJH dinner group?

Contact Julie Whitlock for more information and getting signed up at julieinid@silverstar.com

CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING



The Mission Committee is pleased to share with you that, once again, you have been a most generous congregation in reaching out to those in need. We received a total of \$2,672.00 for our Christmas Joy Offering!

This Special Offering has been forwarded to the Presbyterian Church (USA) - our "national office" - for the traditional distribution ... half going to the Board of Pensions to assist retired pastors in times of special need, and half to the seven ethnic/racial schools and colleges founded, and long supported by the Presbyterian Church (USA).

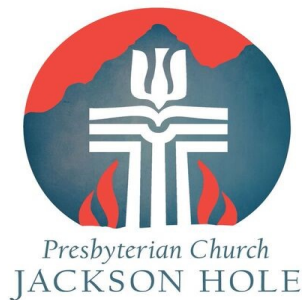


Daylight Savings Time
March 12th



A WORD FROM PASTOR BEN PASCAL

Every Member a Minister



Dear PCJH Family,

Jesus said to his disciples,

“For the people’s hearts have become calloused; they hardly hear with their ears, and they have closed their eyes. Otherwise they might see with their eyes, hear with their ears, understand with their hearts and turn, and I would heal them.” – Matthew 13:15

Jesus wants to heal us. Jesus wants us to be healed from the sin we have committed and the sin that has been inflicted on us. Jesus wants us to be healed from despair and grief; hopelessness and fear; worry and endless doubt. Jesus wants to heal us from loneliness. Jesus wants to heal our unforgiving hearts and the broken and painful relationships in our lives. Jesus wants to heal us from our incessant thirst and hunger for God’s love in our lives. Jesus wants us to live a life of love and peace and joy in Him.

Yes, we need healing in our individual and familial lives, but what about the world? Our world desperately needs healing too. The nations of the world need healing from poverty, oppression, violence, hatred, terrorism and war.

Our world needs healing, our nation needs healing, our individual lives need healing. Jesus came to heal us (Matthew 4:23, 13:15) and he came for the healing of the nations (Revelation 22:2). Amen!

My grandfather, Rev. John H. Vruwink, an episcopal priest, wrote a book called *The Healing Cross* while he pastored St. John’s Episcopal Church in Tulsa, Oklahoma in the 1960’s. I was reading his book last Spring and I was inspired by it. I’ve decided to use it as a foundation for our lenten sermon series in 2017.

The Healing Cross focuses on the final words Jesus spoke as he was being crucified. The words Jesus

spoke while he was suffering on the cross have the power to bring healing to our lives. These seven last words are what we are going to focus on during this season of lent.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 1st. It is a time of preparation for Easter Sunday, April 16th . During these six and a half weeks we will study and meditate on the amazing work Jesus did on the cross, which has changed the course of history and has transformed people’s lives for over 2,000 years, and continues to impact the world today.

Here’s an overview of the seven last words that Jesus spoke on the cross, and the basis of our lenten sermon series: *The Healing Cross*.

1. “Father forgive them, for they know not what they do.”
2. “My friend, I am telling you the truth. Today, you will be with me in paradise.”
3. “Woman, behold your son. Son, behold your mother.”
4. “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”
5. “I thirst.”
6. “It is finished!”
7. “Father, into Thy hands I commend my spirit.”

On Wednesday, March 22nd at 7:00pm we will have a special healing service in the PCJH Chapel led by Father Ubald. Father Ubald is a catholic priest from Rwanda who has been instrumental in bringing healing to his nation after the horrible genocide in 1994. When Father Ubald preaches in Rwanda, thousands upon thousands of people show up. He is a wonderful man full of the Holy Spirit and God’s love and grace.

Father Ubald has conducted healing services at other churches in Jackson Hole over the years and I thought it would be wonderful to have him be with us during this season as we focus on the healing work of Jesus on the cross. For those of you who are interested in learning more about healing prayer and the questions that arise as we witness some people who are healed and some people who are not healed, please come to a class on Wednesday, March 15th at 7:00pm in order to learn more about what you might experience on the 22nd with Father Ubald.

May this season of lent be a time of healing for you and our world as we focus on the words of Jesus from the cross of Calvary, over two thousand years ago.

Faithfully, Ben



THE GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

August 10-11, 2017 | willowcreek.com/summit

Peter Keenan, our Buildings and Grounds Elder, is looking for a volunteer team for issues that may come up from time to time. It's a fun team being assembled who truly appreciates any gifts you would be willing to share with them. Projects are ever changing.

If you think you might be willing to serve, please email Peter at keenanpkr@gmail.com



CURRENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Youth Ministries Coordinator (20 hrs/week)
Office Assistant (15 hrs/week)

For more information, job descriptions and to apply, please contact Rev. Tamara Letts at tletts@pcjh.org or Cindy Dahlin at cdahlin@pcjh.org.



BY POPULAR DEMAND
PCJH IS MOVING TO AN ONLINE DIRECTORY

We are excited to get this project underway and capture as many of you as possible and update your current contact information. This is a secure directory provided through www.instantchurch.com and accessible through the www.pcjh.org password secure website and then with your own personal secure password. Instant Church.com even has a PhoneApp! Keep thinking of our favorite digital photo to provide the church office. Head and torso shots work the best.

There will be opportunities to provide us with your most current and accurate information during January in Lobby. Our database team will also be available in the Lobby after worship services for photo taking as well. You may also email Pam Flores at: pflores@pcjh.org with your information. This is open to Members and Regular Attenders.



If you have a baby born in your family, please let the front office know at office@pcjh.org so that we can celebrate with you! The baby's name, parents and/or grandparents will be placed in that Sunday's Bulletin along with a white rose on our worship table.

Blessings and Congratulations !



2017 JOY SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION BEGINS MARCH 6th

See the link on our website OR email dwade@pcjh.org

March will be full of fun, learning
all about Growing Up Healthy!

We will participate in many fun,
fitness activities.

We will have our 2nd Annual
Little Lambs Jog-a-thon.

***Little Lambs Spring Break**
March 27– April 7

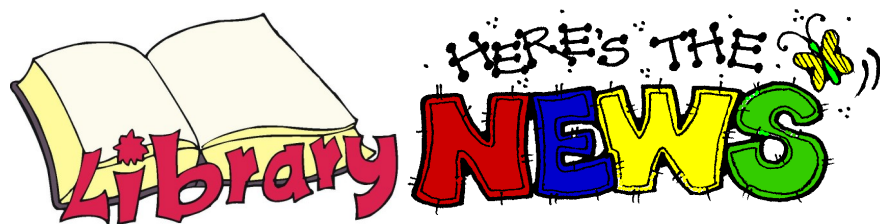


2017-2018 Little Lambs Registration

**March 1: Priority enrollment for
Little Lambs families and PCJH
members**

**March 8: General public registration
Register at pcjh.org**

**Contact Effie Edwards with
enrollment questions.
eedwards@pcjh.org /307.739.9591**



Submitted by Maggie Valiante

Thanks to all of you who have helped GROW the PCJH library with your book donations. Because we are “FULLY BOOKED”, we are asking that you HOLD OFF on donating until further notice! Please DO come by for a visit. Here are a few favorites:

Renovation of the Heart by Dallas Willard – Richard J Foster says of this book, “No one has thought more carefully than Dallas Willard about the human personality and how it can be transformed into Christlikeness.”

Everybody’s Normal Till you get to Know Them by John Ortberg – best selling author, Ortberg “zooms in on the things that make community tick.....Ortberg shows how community pays tremendous dividends in happiness, health, support and growth.”

Just Enough Light for the Step I’m On by Stormie Omartian – this book gives us the encouragement to lean on God during the tough times, trusting that “God will give you everything you need the moment you need it.”

February’s Clerk’s Corner



Your Session met on February 21st and began a study on *Being Reformed - Faith Seeking Understanding* study for Ruling Elders. Our first topic was discussing the call to serve. This study helps us explore our roles as elders and what it means to serve the church.

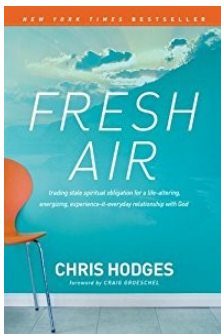
After much prayerful consideration, two open positions in the church have been filled. Session would like to welcome Liz Collins, our new Interim Communications Director, and Dylan Wade, our new Children’s Ministry Coordinator. We look forward to the contributions they will make to the life of the church in their new positions.

Do you fancy yourself handy around the house? If so, we invite you to talk to Peter Keenan about volunteering at PCJH. Due to the excessive amount of snow removal this winter, the Buildings, Grounds & Vehicles team is searching out those handy folks that can help with small projects around the church. Your time and talents will help ensure the 2017 maintenance budget continues in the black!

On March 22nd at 7pm, Father Ubold will lead a service on “Healing and Reconciliation.” If you are interested in attending Father Ubold’s service, Session invites you to attend the “Faith, Prayer, and Healing” seminar on Wednesday, March 15th at 7pm to prepare for Father Ubold’s message. The seminar will be led by Tammy, Ben and Kathy Robertson, and will explore the biblical foundations of healings and prepare us for Father Ubold’s visit.

Adult Education at PCJH

Sunday Mornings: 9:00am



"Fresh Air: Trading Stale Spiritual Obligation for a Life-Altering, Energizing, Experience-It-Everyday Relationship with God" by Chris Hodges. Come join this great class inviting us to really grow and be transformed by God. All are welcome to come! Led by Sandra Zender.

AND

The Acts of the Apostles Study. An in-depth look into the book of Acts and how the early church began. Led by Rev. Tammy Letts.

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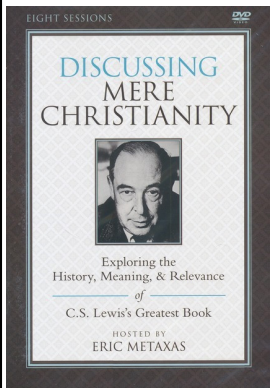
Wednesdays 5:15pm

The Meaning of Marriage: 6-Week Study (started February 15th)

Modern culture would have you believe that everyone has a soul mate; that romance is the most important part of a successful marriage; that marriage does not mean 'til death do us part, but merely for as long as my needs are being met; and that when serious differences arise, divorce is the best solution.

This six-session video Bible study is for anyone from singles to couples considering marriage to those who have been married recently or for a long time. The class will be facilitated by Pastor Ben.

Wednesdays: 7:00pm



Discussing Mere Christianity (study with DVD): Exploring the History, Meaning, and Relevance of C.S. Lewis's Greatest Book.

We'll discover why Mere Christianity is one of the most read and beloved Christian books of all time. Host Eric Metaxas and a variety of Christian leaders—including Philip Yancey, Alister McGrath, Devin Brown, Paul McCusker, Douglas Gresham, and others—help us understand the timeless message of C. S. Lewis in fresh ways for a new generation. Led by Rev. Tammy Letts.

AND

7:00 p.m. Ascent - a special group designed for those in their 20's and 30's. A great time for music, discussion and good times. Each week at 7:00pm. Led by Rev. Ben Pascal.

Consider coming together and be enriched in God's fellowship!



The Vision Team Report Submitted by: Warren Van Genderen

The Vision Team is in the fact-gathering stage. It will consist of three parts. The first part is using the Reveal Survey to develop some parameters on the Spiritual vitality of our congregation. We hope everyone affiliated with the church (members and regular attenders) will take the survey.

We think we have fixed all the glitches with the survey. So if you haven't taken it, we encourage you to take it now.

NEW LINK: Log on to: <https://reveal.app.link/presbyterianchu> and follow the instructions. There will be two logos with Reveal. You will want to use the RED one. Since we were having computer problems in the first week, we are extending the time you have to complete the survey until March 6, 2017. If you haven't taken the survey, do as Nike says "Just Do It".

Secondly, the committee is planning on talking to community leaders and organizations to ask them their view of the Jackson community in general, what they think are the greatest needs in the community, and their general impression of PCJH.

Thirdly, we plan on have meetings with the congregation in which we will give the results of the survey and have congregational discussions on the implications of the results and what they indicate for the future direction of the church.

All of this will be a lot of work, but it should be fun and instructive and hopefully lead to a strong and vital PCJH.



Greetings from the Mission Team at PCJH! Submitted by: Katie-Chloe Stock

Please see upcoming events and volunteer opportunities below. We would love to have you join us!

Habitat for Humanity of the Greater Teton Area Build Day with PCJH -

Please join us on Saturday, March 4th from 8am-5pm, as a group from PCJH will go to Alpine to continue work on one of the two new homes they are building there. The actual workday will last from 9am-4pm as the rest of the time will be spent commuting to and from Alpine. We can have up to 15 people (16 years old and up) and we'd be thrilled to have you join us! Please contact Katie-Chloe Stock at katiechloe1@gmail.com or 662.931.0127 if you would like to participate. We will plan to carpool from the PCJH parking lot, leaving at 8am.

Good Samaritan mission meals - PCJH serves meals at the Good Samaritan mission every 2nd Thursday of the month from around 5:00-6:15pm, and if you would like to provide part of a meal, please see dates below in the sign up link and please plan to provide for around 25-30 people with your item of choice. You can sign up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b4da5ad22a4fd0-good>

Doreen and Moffat Zimba from Zambia, Africa, will be sharing about their work with Northrise University on April 2 at 9:15am during adult education time.

Meals on Wheels is looking for volunteers from 11:30am-12:30pm on weekdays, contact Hannah Sell at info@seniorcenterjh.org or 307.733.7300 if you would like to help out!



AGROS SPRING MISSION TRIP

Planning has begun for the Spring Agros mission trip to Nicaragua. Last April we missed sending a team and our village family in Tierra Nueva told us, on many occasions during the November trip, how concerned they were when we did not visit them. We have been doing this over the past 5 years. We are currently trying to determine the best dates for a trip given the Jackson spring break school schedule and the late Easter date. The three options are: March 25th to April 2nd; April 1st to 9th; or April 22nd to 30th. If you are interested in being part of this team please contact Bob Kopp (bkopp@waldenasset.com, 518-527-2937) to let him know which dates would be best for you.

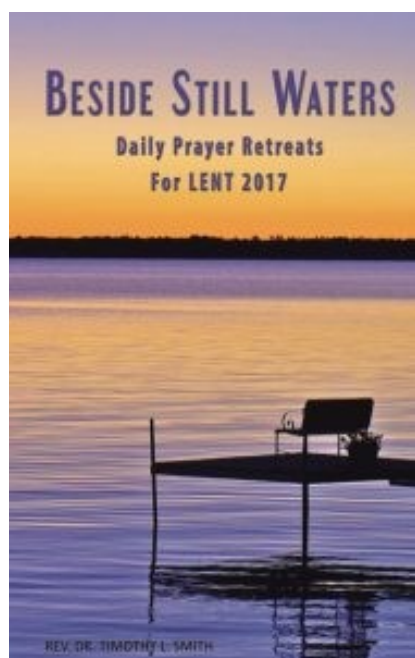


GOING OVER JORDAN

By Kenny Hadden, Worship Coordinator

This week I am preparing for our second annual “Bluegrass Sunday.” As I consider songs to include, I’m struck by how many of the old gospel lyrics are about heaven – how great it will be, how we can’t get there without Jesus, how we’ll see all of our loved ones there, etc. And I can’t help but wonder, isn’t being a Christian about more than just what happens on the day you die? Doesn’t the Good News of Jesus Christ go a little deeper than just “getting into” heaven? It won’t surprise anyone to know that music is a big part of my faith. Even before

I called myself a Christian, I would choke up as I sang those seemingly one-dimensional lyrics about heaven: “I’m going there to meet my Savior / I’m going there no more to roam.” “In heaven above, where all is love / There’ll be no sorrow there” “In the sweet by and by, we will meet on that beautiful shore.” Reflecting on these lyrics now, I realize that they are not superficial at all, but point toward those desires that are most essential to being human: to be loved, to be accepted, to be free from suffering, to be whole. How salvation works remains unknown to me. As we often say together in the Great Thanksgiving prayer preceding communion, “Great is the mystery of our faith: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.” Indeed, the deepest thinkers I’ve encountered on the subject of the atonement seem as perplexed as I am. However, it does appear that salvation – whether you conceive of it as happening in every moment, or on your death bed, or on God’s judgment day – is the crux of the Christian faith. So, these old songs speak to a central element of our faith, and perhaps my emotional response to them can give me some insight into that great mystery. Maybe it really is as simple as the songs say, and heaven is a bright and shining shore where we literally rest in the arms of Jesus. Who knows? What I can say is that when I sing this music, I forget about all my theological confusion, and my heart opens up to receive God’s love. So I’m going to keep on singing, and I’ll take comfort in the assurances of scripture that these songs evince, praying that “we’ll understand it all by and by.”



The Adult Ministry Team has ordered Lenten devotional books.

PCJH will have devotional books available for the 47 days of Lent. The book is titled, “Beside Still Waters: Daily Prayer Retreats for Lent 2017”. The author invites us to a daily prayer retreat.

Each day begins with a short reflection on Scripture followed by a prayer activity. People have often thought of Lent as a time to give up something, but it can just as well be a time for taking up something.

This guide invites us to spend time listening, reflecting, and talking to God. The books will be available in the Lobby. If you prefer, you may also read the devotional selections each day at www.waterfromrock.org.

A WORD FROM PASTOR TAMMY LETTS



Lent is the season when Christians have historically prepared their hearts for Easter with reflection, repentance, and prayer. It begins with Ash Wednesday and proceeds for forty days, culminating in Good Friday and Holy Saturday. Since Sundays are weekly celebrations of the resurrection of Jesus, the six Sundays in Lent are not counted as part of the forty-day season.

Many Christians choose to fast throughout the season of Lent, or give something up like coffee or sweets. We do so because it's one way to move from self-indulgence to self-sacrifice. We pray that every time we long for a bite of

chocolate or a sip of coffee, our hearts would instead long for God. So we deprive ourselves of perhaps a "luxury" as an act of devotion.

But the season of Lent is more than just temporary behavior modification. It's more than just trying to improve on the good intentions of the heart. The season of Lent highlights what it really means for the Christ follower to live every day sacrificially and dependently on God.

Joel 2:12,13 says:

"That is why the Lord says, 'Turn to me now, while there is time. Give me your hearts. Come with fasting, weeping, and mourning. Don't tear your clothing in your grief, but tear your hearts instead. Return to the Lord your God for he is merciful and compassionate, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love. He is eager to relent and not punish.' "

What God is really concerned about is what's going on in your heart. This is not a token act or empty ritual. Yes, we need to see our sins and our brokenness. Yes, we hold the weight of moral conviction. The fasting, weeping and mourning are signs of a broken, contrite heart. It is the heart which needs to be addressed, not our stomachs or our taste buds. Rending our hearts means to change our will to be bent toward the goodness of God. And God meets us there.

During Lent, we focus not on what we are doing but rather on turning our longings toward the Lord: to focus not on the "What" of Lent, but rather on the "Who."

And hear again of this One to whom we are invited know God and the richness of God's presence. As the Psalmist writes, God is kind and gracious, forgiving, compassionate, and slow to anger.

Over the course of Lent, let us intentionally think about our lives and how we've been living it. Let us pray to have eyes that see and ears to hear God. There may be mourning and weeping. Yet through our tears, our eyes will be lifted up to see how wide and long and high and deep the Savior's love is for us. While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Christ rose for us. Christ reigns in us.



Join us for our Ash Wednesday Service
March 1, at 7:00PM in the chapel.

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March Anniversaries 2017

March 13 Neil & Gemma Ford
March 16 Mike & Robyn Jones
Bob & Mary Walton
March 25 Ben & Addie Pascal

March Birthdays 2017

March 1 Mike Jorgenson
Tena Webb
March 2 Scott O'Hare
March 5 Mary Gridley
Tom Thompson
March 6 Madonna Ames
Natalie Dahlin Lyon
March 7 Lindsey Primich Rainier
March 9 Don Cushman
Pamela Stockton
March 10 Karen Brennan
Bill Long
Grace Pike
March 12 Caryn Haman
March 15 Julie Birrer
Jeanne Hudelson
March 16 Robyn Reedy
March 17 Sam and James Hayden
Paul Piper
March 18 Mike Deland
March 19 Elizabeth Hennessy
March 23 Scott McGee
Jan Segerstrom
March 24 Alison Kyle
March 25 Carol Pugmire
March 26 Carol Marshall
Kris Thompspon
Ariana Snowdon
March 27 Leif Huot
March 28 Judy Weikle
Victoria Weiss
March 30 Sally Byrne
David Guslander
Mo Kool Primich
Hallie Robertson



**** Please let our church office know your wedding anniversary date so we can be in prayerful celebration with you!**

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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.

Class of 2017	2018	2019
Patty McDonald* Personnel	Pat Wright Stewardship	Alan Lund* Finance
Katie-Chloe Stock Missions	Barb Andrews Youth Ministry	Barbara Carlsberg Worship
Ken Blount Clerk of Session	Peter Keenan Buildings & Grounds	Meg Womack Congregational Life
Kerry Murphy Nominating/Member Assimilation	Warren VanGenderen Adult Ministries	Aaron Nydam Children's Ministry

Deacons

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

Class of 2017	2018	2019
Nancy Brumsted Jackie Montgomery Carol Poole Sandra Zender Karen Brennan* (Moderator) Joanie Shipman* Julie Whitlock* Randy & Robyn Reedy*	Jen Baki Dylan Wade Paula Jorgenson Erin Rosenberg Deb Keenan Yvonne Henze* Tena Webb* Barb Huhn*	Liz Jorgenson Annie Mueller Marge McCallister Tom Deltz Dorothy Neckels Alicia Neathery Susan Hawkins Kenlyn Long*

*serving second term

MARCH 2017

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Passing on the Faith

as we Gather to love God;

GROW to know and follow Jesus; and

GO and make a difference.

*All are welcome and all are needed as we advance this significant mission for the
21st Century.*

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