

March, 2014



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**The Buses Are Coming!
– The Buses Are
Coming! – We Need
Your Help!**

No, the British are not coming -- and no, this is not a Paul Revere alarm. But we do need your help.

The great news is that the two new 15 passenger activity buses manufactured by the Thomas Bus Company, which feature seat belts, headrests, and build-in car seats, will be arriving in May.

The new buses will be used for Little Lambs Preschool, J.O.Y. Summer Camp, and our Wednesday After-School program as we transport children safely around the Jackson Hole valley.

And the good news is that they are almost paid for – but not quite. The total cost is \$110,000. The Church has received over \$80,000 so far. We still need donations for the remaining \$30,000. We ask you to prayerfully consider participating in this fund-raising effort. Please know that every dollar helps us meet our goal.

Please make your tax-deductible contribution to PCJH and send it to Diane McGee or drop it off in the offering plate or at the Church office, indicating that it is directed to purchase the new buses.

Submitted by the PCJH Stewardship Team



A WORD FROM PASTOR PAUL HAYDEN

Howdy Everyone.

Change.

As I write this article to you, I do not know what the vote of the congregation will be as we choose the Pastoral Transition Model for PCJH. All I know is that a model will be chosen and regardless of the choice, there will be changes that will take place within this part of God's family.

What will some of those changes be? We can only speculate. What might those speculations be? Here are a few of my thoughts.

There will be some folks who will leave the church.

There will be some new folks who will begin attending the church.

There will be some who say "I have helped around here as much as I can. I have no more to give." They will still worship and participate but leading will not be an option.

There will be others who will say, "I like where PCJH is going. I want to contribute more of my time, talents, and treasures."

I am reminded of Jesus' words in **John 15** where he talks about the pruning of the vines in the vineyard. The 'vinedresser', God, does this so there will be more growth. Pruning is always painful. We lose some of the branches we love, but we also open the doors to new branches (people) we will love. When God is directing the process it will be for the growth of God's kingdom of which PCJH is a part.

There will be new directions and new visions established. Hopefully these will not be done in contradiction to the core values that have been developed over the first 20 years of PCJH's life. In **1 Corinthians 3:6**, St. Paul talks about having laid a foundation upon which someone else will build. That is what I pray will

happen here. We have laid a good foundation, a unique base of ministry, a loving environment for spiritual growth upon which new leadership may choose to build.

This new building, new direction, new emphasis is absolutely necessary for PCJH if we are going to be a healthy church. At the recent Presbytery of Wyoming meeting a consultant from our denomination said research has revealed that a church's vision will only last 20-23 years. If it is not revitalized and reshaped, the church will begin to die. New direction/vision is essential for the ongoing health of our church.

As this new direction begins to unfold, one thing we need to understand is that the **Long Range Planning** report to the congregation will need to be put on hold.... but it will not be lost. The appropriate location to place the input received from the many, many interviews conducted by the LRP Team would be into the vision process with new leadership. To do otherwise could handcuff the new leadership's vision. To place the report with the new leadership will take a future action of the congregation since the LRPT was a committee of the congregation. As members, please prayer-fully consider if this is the direction you would like to go.

One final word. I have come to believe that there is something in a church's life that is more important than the role of the pastor, new or old. The support and involvement of the church family through prayer, support, and participation is what helps every church to succeed. I pray, as change happens, as new visions unfold and new direction is established, that you will increase your commitment and involvement in this part of God's family.

May the Lord continue to bless and guide PCJH as we put our trust in Him.

Pastor Paul

Dear PCJH Family,

I am writing to you the day after our congregational meeting where the members of PCJH voted in favor of pursuing me as the next Senior Pastor of this great church!! The events of this past month have not fully sunk in yet. I am still in awe of how God orchestrates all of life, including my call to serve you as your pastor.

I am reminded of this when I read the Apostle Paul's prayer from Ephesians 3:14-21...

Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever! Amen.

I certainly feel the power of God working within us as a church. I certainly feel like the Lord is doing immeasurably more than I could have ever asked or imagined. I certainly hope that our mission and ministry as a church will bring glory to Jesus Christ throughout all generations as we pass on the faith by gathering to love God, growing to know and follow Jesus, and going to make a difference in the world in Christ's name.

I would like to thank all of you who have prayed during this transition process. Please continue to pray as the work has just begun. :) I would also like to thank all of you who have spent so much time in discussion and discernment in private conversations and public congregational meetings. I appreciate everyone's honest and constructive participation. My biggest concern during this whole process was not whether or not I would be selected as your next Senior Pastor. My biggest concern was that the process was done well so that we could hear God's voice, remain united as a church, and come out on the other side ready to serve the Lord with enthusiasm. I believe this is happening to the best of our ability. Thanks be to God!

I would also like to publicly thank the Ruling Elders of PCJH for their leadership, commitment, and love for the Lord and his church. Thank you!

As we begin down the road of ministry together, I would like to share with you the vision I have for PCJH. Many of you were able to attend worship on February 23rd when I preached on this topic in more detail, but for those of you who were unable to be there, I would encourage you to listen to the sermon on our website at www.pcjh.org.

Before I explain my vision, I want to emphasize my commitment to expand upon the foundation that has already been laid here at PCJH. Let us affirm a few things:

- God is already at work among us.
- We are on good fertile soil for optimal growth, thanks to Paul Hayden's leadership and the congregation's work.
- Our current vision of passing on the faith as we gather, grow and go is still relevant, useful, and biblical.

- ◆ I also want to emphasize my commitment to the values of this congregation that will not change under my leadership. We will remain rooted in Jesus Christ.
- We will continue to rely on God's word as an authoritative voice for life and ministry.
- We will continue to strive for unity in the midst of our diversity.
- We will continue our spirit of welcome and acceptance as we emphasize God's love and grace.

If there was one phrase that would encapsulate my vision for PCJH as we enter into the next phase of our life and ministry together, it would be *Every Member a Minister*. A member is "a distinct part of a whole." A minister is "one serving as an agent for another... attending to the needs of others." Each one of us is a member of the body of Christ, and more specifically, of PCJH. In the same way, each one of us is also a minister.

When you hear the word, "minister," I hope you don't just think of a pastor or a priest. I hope you begin to see yourself, as well as your brothers and sisters in Christ, as ministers. We are all ministers called to do God's work based on our gifts.

Every Member a Minister

This is the focus of my vision for PCJH as we move into the future together.

Presbyterians are often known for creating visions that include ambitious building campaigns. We have already built a wonderful facility, and paid it off, thanks be to God! Now we need to focus on filling this place and building up our people as disciples and ministers of our Lord. The natural outcome of *Every Member a Minister* will be the expansion of our ministry. We will expand our gathering; we will expand our growing; and we will expand our going. It is the people of PCJH, not the pastors and staff, who will be the primary agents to expand PCJH's ministry into the future. You are the ministers!

"Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it." -1 Corinthians 12:27

There is no chUrch without U! *Everybody* is part of the Body. What part will you play in this church? Whether you are officially a member or not, you are still part of this church, and we need you. We all have gifts and a work to do. How is God calling you to serve in and through PCJH?

This is a defining moment for us as a congregation. As we move into the future, my hope is that when people think of the minister at PCJH, they won't just think of Ben Pascal. My hope is that they will think of you and every member of this church as the minister.

I look forward to doing ministry with you,

Faithfully, ~Pastor Ben

CYF March Events

Friday, Feb 28th - Sat, March 1st
30 Hour Famine

Saturday, March 1st
J.O.Y. Summer Camp &
Little Lambs 2014-2015
registration begins for PCJH
members and Little Lambs families

Sunday, March 2nd
*Pink Flamingos Youth Mission
Trip fundraiser begins
*Safe Church class 11:30am
*No Youth Group

Wed., March 5th
*Wednesday Rendezvous
*Ash Wednesday 5:15pm

Sunday, March 9th
*Little Lambs open enrollment
begins
*J.O.Y. Summer Camp open
enrollments begins
*Youth Group
M.S 4:00-5:30
H.S/Mission Training 6:00-7:00

Wed., March 12th
*Wednesday Rendezvous

Sunday, March 16th
*Youth Group
M.S 4:00-5:30pm
H.S/Mission Training 6:00-7:00pm

Monday, March 17th
St. Patrick's Day!

Wednesday, March 19th
*Wednesday Rendezvous

March 22 - April 6th
SPRING BREAK
No after school Wednesday
Rendezvous, or Youth Group or
Little Lambs during the break.

Sunday, March 23rd
*Group Sunday School
*No Youth Group

Wednesday, March 26th
No Wednesday Rendezvous

Sunday, March 30th
*Group Sunday School
*No Youth Group

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Children, Youth & Family Newsletter

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Safe Church Training

Sunday, March 2nd at 11:30am
in the Genesis Room

- All **New** Staff, Elders, Deacons and CYF
- Volunteers are required to complete a training course.
- Lunch and childcare will be provided.
- RSVP to Diane McGee at 739-9591 x104 or dmcgee@pcjh.org
- PCJH implemented our formal Safe Church Policy in January 2012 to continue to ensure that the children and youth who participate in programs and activities within our church community have a safe and secure environment.



PCJH members and attendees are also welcome to attend

You've Been Flamingoed Youth Mission Fundraiser!



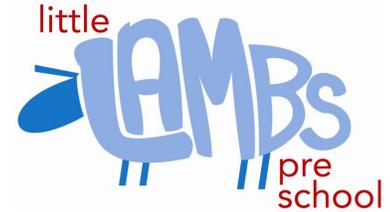
Picture this: You are sitting at home in front of a warm, cozy fire reading your favorite book and drinking a cup of tea. Suddenly, you hear your doorbell ring, but when you answer the door, there is no one to be found! Only small flamingos scattered about on your lawn, standing silently in the snow. After your initial confusion (and possible discomfort) you notice a large sign held by one of the flamingos: "You've Been Flamingoed by the PCJH Youth Group!"

Yes, that's right –March has arrived, and the PCJH flamingos have arrived! All month long, the youth group will be accepting requests to "flamingo" members of the congregation. If you would like to "flamingo" someone, please contact Jordan Shive at jshive@pcjh.org or 739-9591 to plan your "Flamingo" Experience. All proceeds go toward the Youth Mission Trip to Guatemala this June.

Welcome Case Sayers Abel! Mrs. Erin & Trent welcomed their son on February 1st!



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God's Little Lambs



Greetings from Little Lambs! With Ms. Erin on maternity leave, Ms. Clare is now on our teaching team, and Ms. Effie has stepped in leading us and planned a fun February that was filled with great activities and learning experiences! Valentines Day was a wonderful time to talk about God's love for all of us. We had an Olympics week and learned about U.S. presidents! Ms. Cora visited us and taught us about dental health, & we painted with toothbrushes! Our Preschool and PreK classes went on a sleigh ride at the Elk Refuge. The month of March will be fun, celebrating Dr. Seuss's birthday and taking x-country ski lessons. Spring Break will be March 22-April 6.

Blessings from the Little Lambs Staff



2014-2015 Little Lambs registration begins!

Priority Enrollment for Little Lambs Families & PCJH Members March 1st-8th at pcjh.org.

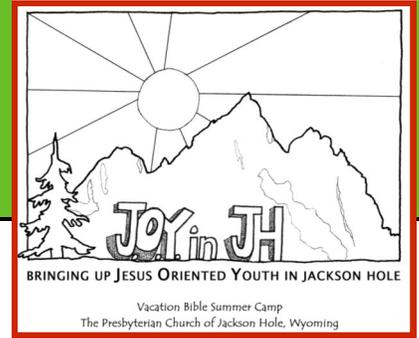
Contact Diane McGee with enrollment questions dmcgee@pcjh.org or 307-739-9591.



The All Family Tubing Party at Snow King was a great time of fellowship and outreach. 'Kids' of all ages had lots of sliding fun!



J.O.Y. Jesus Oriented Youth in JH Summer Day Camp



Registration Begins!

- ☸ **MARCH 1st-8th** for PCJH Members and J.O.Y. and Little Lambs families.
- ☸ **Open registration begins MARCH 9th** for our friends in the community.
- ☸ Registration is all **on-line** this year! Find the link on our website: pcjh.org
- ☸ Contact Diane McGee at joy@pcjh.org or 739-9591 with any questions.



Daily Programs June 16th - August 22nd
for Children age 3 years (as of September 15, 2014)
through students entering 8th grade.
Leader in Training opportunities for students entering
7th grade through High School.



PCJH Sunday Cross Country Ski Group—2014



A tentative schedule for March is listed below. Please check the weekly PCJH email for changes that may occur due to weather or whim! If you do not receive the newsletter and/or would like to be added to the X-country Ski email list: please contact: June Nystrom at junenystrom@gmail.com or Debbie Schlinger at debbieschlinger@gmail.com

March 2 Game Creek (for sure, no rain in sight!) meet at church parking lot at 1:30 to carpool

March 9 Leeks Marina meet at the Forest Service Building at 1:30

30
Hour
FAMINE

The 30-Hour Famine is a World Vision program that engages teenagers with the issues of global poverty and how we can make a difference.

The PCJH youth group lock-in began on Feb. 28th and will be completed on March 1st. In collaboration with the other church youth groups, they will have fasted for 30 hours while raising money and awareness against world hunger. The lock-in included community service; games; bible study; prayer; and worship. They will break the fast at a special communion service on March 1st at 5:15pm in the Chapel.

Milestones Ministry

Part of our mission at PCJH is to Pass on the Faith by partnering home and congregation. In an effort to equip and partner with parents in ministry to their kids, we have created milestones in order that all children passing through PCJH go through the significant rites of passage to prepare them spiritually for adulthood.

One type of milestone is giving gifts. It is our hope that the gift will remind children of God's gift of grace. On the first Sunday in March, children 3yrs - 2nd grade, will receive a Prayer Pillow that is handmade by PCJH volunteers. This small pillow has a pocket that holds prayer cards that can be read at various times throughout a child's day.

If your child has not received one of these Prayer Pillows, please contact Ricky Emlyn at 739-9591 or remlyn@pcjh.org.

Fine Furniture Sale on Saturday, May 31, 2014

Volunteers, Donated Items
and Buyers Needed



PCJH will have it's fifth
"Fine Furniture Sale"
at 9am on Saturday, May 31
in the Church Fellowship Hall.
You can help!

First, please donate items for sale.
Then, attend the sale and buy some
great furniture and home
furnishings at excellent prices. We
also need
volunteers to help with the sale.

If you have some fine home
furnishings to add to the
upcoming sale, here are some
guidelines.

Here's what we need

Bookcases
End tables
Living room chairs
Night stands
Area rugs
Floor and table lamps
Antiques and collectibles
Dining tables and chairs
Dressers
Framed mirrors
Quality bed and bath linens
"Crate and Barrel" style table ware
Sets of dishes, glasses, flatware
Fine cookware
Accent pillows and better art pieces

Sorry, we cannot accept these

No televisions

No "too worn or torn"

No large TV wall units
No large desks

No fitness machines
No mattresses

No odds 'n ends of table service pieces

If you have items to donate (we can arrange pickup), please contact Ed Cheramy at 690-1245 or the church office at 734-0388. If you can volunteer to help with the sale, please call Shirley Cheramy at 739-2157.

March Birthdays 2014

Mike Jorgenson	March 1
John McFarland	March 1
Jade Ridgeway	March 1
Steve Roberts	March 1
Tena Webb	March 1
Finn Beninga	March 2
Lindsey Dufault	March 2
Sarah Andrews	March 3
Robin Evans	March 4
Scarlet Amdor	March 5
Wesley Mulligan	March 5
Tom Thompson	March 5
Robert Wikoff	March 5
Glenn Jansen	March 6
Natalie Lyon	March 6
Lindsey Primich	March 7
Don Cushman	March 9
Pamela Stockton	March 9
Karen Brennan	March 10
Bill Long	March 10
Grace Pike	March 10
Lynn	
Sherwood-Humphries	March 10
Maggie Valiante	March 10
Harrison Sauter	March 11
Sara White	March 11
Henry Allen	March 12
Wendy Eaton	March 12
Caryn Haman	March 12
Douglas Martens	March 13
Tanya Zaist	March 13
Shane Crabtree	March 14
Drew Hauser	March 14
Julie Birrer	March 15
Jeanne	
Hudelson/Robbins	March 15
Brooke Jarvie	March 16
Lauren Kopp	March 16
Robyn Reedy	March 16
Sam Hayden	March 17
James Hayden	March 17
Paul Piper	March 17
Patsy Raaum	March 17
Mike Deland	March 18
Derek Nelson	March 18
Suzanne Stieglmeyer	March 18
Bethann Wittig	March 18
Jack Nystrom	March 19
Katelyn Ankeny	March 20
Dawn Dunlap	March 20
Jared Lloyd	March 21
Julie Miller	March 21
Guy Evans	March 22
Ingrid Shaw	March 22
Scott McGee	March 23
Janice Segerstrom	March 23
Alison Kyle -Varilone	March 24

Carol Pugmire	March 25
Joel Revill	March 25
Samantha Wittig	March 25
Karen Gill	March 26
Hillary Lavino	March 26
Carol Marshall	March 26
Kris Thompson	March 26
Abby Devine	March 27
Bill Hungate	March 27
Leif Huot	March 27
Sandra Wilkerson	March 27
Owen Beninga	March 28
Michele Nelson	March 28
De Schoonover	March 28
Victoria Weiss	March 28
Dominic Windey	March 28
Amanda Robertson	March 29
Sally Byrne	March 30
Davie Guslander	March 30
Hallie Robertson	March 30
Kiki Zaist	March 30



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March Anniversaries 2014

Mike & Robyn Jones	March 9	Married 40 Years
Neil & Gemma Ford	March 13	Married 21 Years
Bob & Mary Walton	March 16	Married 40 Years
Ben & Addie Pascal	March 25	Married 8 Years
Eric & Sarah Wilson	March 25	Married 8 Years
Rodger & Teresa Nye	March 30	Married 25 Years

Monday,
March 17th, 2014

Happy
St. Patrick's
Day



March 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Youth Mission Flamingo Sales begin					J.O.Y. and Little Lambs 2014-2015 Enrollment Begins →	1 8:00am Men's Discussion Group PCJH Youth Lounge
2 8:00 am Worship Service 9:00am Adult Bible Class 10:15am Worship Service Prayer Pillow Sunday 10:30am Children's Sunday School 11:30am Safe Church Training NO Youth Group	3	4 7:30 Stewardship 12 Noon Women's Bible Study 1:30pm Staff	5 After school-6:15pm Midweek Rendezvous 5:15 Ash Wednesday 6:15pm Dinner 7:00pm Choir 7:00pm Koinonia	6 12:00 Noon Men's Group at E. leaven	7	8 8:00am Men's Discussion Group PCJH Youth Lounge
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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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