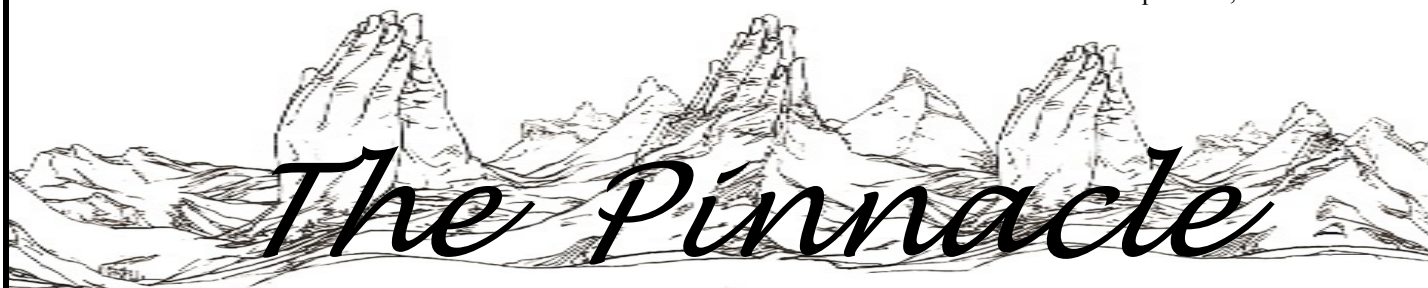


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"Welcome our New CYF Intern, Jordan Shive"

Hello, I am Jordan Shive. I will be the PCJH intern for the upcoming year. I am so fortunate and appreciative to have the opportunity to join in the community you all have built here at PCJH. I look forward to working with you and your staff in sharing the love of Christ in Jackson and the world. I was adopted from Peru, South America as an infant, and was blessed with a very loving family. We first lived in North Carolina, but I was essentially raised in Green Bay, WI. So, I am an ever-loyal Packer fan. In 2005, my family moved to West Fargo, ND where I attended West Fargo High School. While there, I participated in many organizations including choir, theatre, band, and DECA. In 2009, I began attending Jamestown College in Jamestown, ND. During my time there, God put a conviction in my heart to connect with other men on my campus and share with them the compassion and love of Jesus. At that time, my roommate and I started and organized a men's ministry. We conducted Bible studies, discipleship programs, and 'Bro Nights'. We constantly encouraged, affirmed, and challenged young men on our campus. It truly was an empowering and humbling time in my life. During my senior year, I was elected the president of The Knight's Society, a campus organization. It was a great experience, to say the least! By meeting people where they were in their lives and spending time with them, I was able to challenge them to self-reflection and help them gain an awareness of their self-worth and aspirations. They then could lead and evoke the same challenge to other people in their lives. I graduated from Jamestown College with a BA in Fine Arts Music. I have experienced many growing phrases in my life and my faith by leading worship music, bible studies, and discipleship programs. I am excited to continue my growth at PCJH and contribute wherever I can. I am thoroughly looking forward to meeting you all!

A WORD FROM PASTOR PAUL HAYDEN

Howdy Everyone...

...and thanks to all of you for your prayers and support as Terri and I spent our two months away in Scotland. It was a great trip. We experienced beautiful scenery, centuries of history (castle upon castle), tremendous art, interesting people, good local music, and the presence of the Lord. Not a bad trip, you might say!

On the pastoral front, it is always risky turning the preaching and teaching over to a person you have only met by e-mail. Four things made me feel comfortable in inviting Rev. Stevenson to do this exchange: The doctrinal similarities of the Reformed Faith in our denomination and the Church of Scotland; The newsletter of the Dunbar Parish Church that reflected their activity, Christ-centeredness, Biblical orientation, and dynamic; The level of comfort knowing Pastor Ben would be present, leading the congregation in my absence (true to form, Ben did a great job); the sovereignty of God. I firmly believe that when God is in charge great things will happen.

And what did Terri and I learn from the people of Dunbar Parish Church which we served?

1. People rich in faith. The people we met loved God and loved their neighbors.
2. People of prayer. Whether in homes or before services at the church we shared in a number of wonderful times of prayer.
3. People who are the history of the church. I became very aware of the reality that ministers come and go, but, God's people carry God's work forward.
4. Hospitality is a spiritual gift and when lived, can make people feel at home regardless of the differences.
5. We grow in many ways when we are willing to take a risk, branch out of our comfort zone and try something different.

Did we see areas where there might be room to grow? Absolutely...just like at PCJH. When we stop growing, we start dying. When we stop seeing the needs around us, we stop being involved in our community. When we stop wanting to reach out and touch one another and care for our neighbor, we stop loving. There is always a new generation

to reach with the good news of the gospel. As some people say, "The best is yet to come."

Once again, thank you for allowing this exchange to take place.

When Terri and I returned from Scotland, in addition to all the adjustments of time, scenery, temperature, I felt the change in season. I have come to expect that change beginning those early mornings of the Teton County Fair. The air is just a little bit more crisp and the darkness of the evening comes just a bit earlier with each passing day. The change signals that slow progression from summer to winter, the season we call Fall. It is an exciting time filled with lots of color but always transition.

As this Fall begins, we are going to see some wonderful changes at PCJH. New children will arrive in our Little Lambs Pre-school. We will hear new music from our choir. Ben and I will be preaching textually as well as topically from the Book of Romans through the Fall and Winter. We will receive new members into the life of the church.

Maybe the biggest change will be in the ministry that our newest staff member, Ricky Emlyn, will bring to us. Ricky, Jodi and the kids, come to us from 13 years of ministry with "Youth With A Mission" (YWAM) where they have led missions in 50+ countries around the world and helped people deepen their walk with the Lord. As Director of Discipleship for Children Youth and Families, we are opening the door for Ricky to do that in our congregation. Ricky has a heart to see people grow to know and follow Jesus. As part of the staff team, we are asking him to assist us all in the deepening of our faith, as well. What a great school year awaits us as we Gather, Grow, and Go.

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.

Ephesians 3:20-21

Pastor Paul

Children Youth & Family Ministry

Associate Pastor Ben Pascal

Dear PCJH Family,

I can't believe it is already September!! I am excited for what the Lord is going to do as we begin our programmatic year. I want to highlight a few things.

Ricky Emlyn CYF Director of Discipleship

As many of you know, Ricky Emlyn is here and has already begun laying a foundation for this year's Sunday School, Wednesday After School Program, and Youth Ministry. As the Director of Discipleship for Children, Youth and Family, Ricky will be focusing on raising up volunteer leaders to join his team as they invest in the lives of our children and youth in Jesus' name. If you haven't had a chance yet, please drop by Ricky's office and introduce yourself.

CYF Volunteer & Parent Kick Off Brunch

We will be hosting a brunch on Sunday, September 8th at 11:30am as a way to kick off the school year for all CYF volunteers and parents. We want to introduce you to Ricky Emlyn and our other exceptional staff. We will cast a vision for how we think God is leading us this year with the CYF ministry. If you are interested in getting involved with our children and youth, please come! If you are a current volunteer within CYF, please come! If you are a parent of one of our children and youth, please come! We look forward to this time together as we launch our exciting fall programs.

Fall Programs Begin September 8th

Sunday School and Youth Group will kick off on Sunday, September 8th. Sunday School is available during our 10:15am service for kids birth – 8th grade. We will also kick off youth group on September 8th from 4:30pm to 6:30pm at PCJH. Youth Group is for all middle and high school students.

Wednesday After School Program

Do you know that we have an exceptional Wednesday After School program at PCJH? We take our church vans and pick up kids after school from Jackson Elementary, Wilson Elementary, Colter Elementary and the Middle School. We take them back to the church and feed them a snack and then we go on a field trip or do an activity or craft at the church in order to teach them about Jesus. They are then invited to join their parents to eat dinner at the weekly PCJH Community Dinner. The Wednesday After School program starts on September 11th and is open to all children and youth K-8th grade who are interested, but space is limited. Registration is required and there is a small fee in order to hold a spot. Please contact Ricky Emlyn if you are interested in your child participating. Ricky can be reached at remlyn@pcjh.org or 307-739-9591.

September Milestones

At PCJH we have a Milestones Ministry for our children and youth. We celebrate these milestones at various times of the year. The beginning of the school year is a time when we like to do "The Blessing of the Backpacks" as a reminder to our students that God is present with them even when they are at school. God wants them to grow in knowledge and discipline as they study and learn. On Sunday, September 8th, we will bless the backpacks during "Time with Children" at the 10:15am worship service. Please have your child bring their backpack to church on September 8th.

September is also the time of year when we make an effort to ensure that every child has their own age appropriate Bible. On Sunday, September 22nd, we will have Bibles available for any child who needs one. Ensuring that students have the Word of God is a very important milestone. You can learn more about our Milestones Ministry by picking up a brochure by the nursery.

5th Quarter on Friday, September 13th

Football season is here!! Every fall we partner with the other church youth groups in the valley and we host an event at PCJH immediately following the high school football game. We call it the 5th Quarter. It's an excellent outreach event in order to introduce middle and high school students to Jesus. The 5th Quarter starts after the football game and ends at 11:00pm.

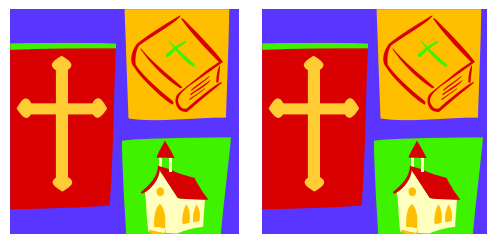
As if this wasn't enough, we will also be starting **Upward Basketball** in September and we have already started **Little Lambs Preschool**. It is sometimes a bit overwhelming how much we do for our children, youth and families, but it is all worth it because they are important members of the Kingdom of God... Jesus and the Bible say so.

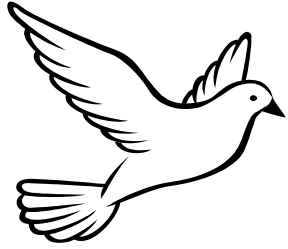
"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these." -Jesus

"Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it."

-Proverbs 22:6

Faithfully, ~Pastor Ben





Children, Youth & Family Newsletter

Save the Date

September 3rd

Labor Day -
office closed,
no school.

September 8th

Blessing of the Back-
packs at the 10:15
Worship Service.

Volunteer/Parent
Kickoff Brunch
(11:30am-1pm)

Youth Group
(4:30pm-6:30pm)

September 9, 10 & 12

Upward Basketball &
Cheerleading Player
evaluations at PCJH.
Contact Linda Hanlon
739-9591 x -124 or
upward@pcjh.org

September 13th

5th Quarter Event
(9pm-11pm)

September 14th

Girls youth group night
with Deanna
(time TBA)

September 15th

Youth Group Guys
Paintball Event
(11:30am-5pm)

September 22nd

High School & Middle
School Youth Group
(4:30-6:30)

September 29

High School & Middle
School Youth Group
(4:30-6:30)

Children, Youth & Family Newsletter

September 2013

Hi! My name is Ricky Emlyn. I am the new Director of Discipleship for children, youth and family. I'm really excited to meet you all!! We are kicking off the school year with a bang (yes it's time for Paintball!!), girls night with Deanna and of course don't forget 5th quarter blowout all lined up for this month.

Youth group hits the ground running with Sunday meetings and get ready for some special announcements on upcoming events and retreats, pre-registration info. on our 2014 international missions trip is also just around the corner so you won't want to miss it.

COACHES NEEDED !!!!!!!

Registration is open
for Boys and Girls
in the 1st through
6th grades.



Register on-line at www.pcjh.org.
Click on: Get Involved, Upward.

Player Evaluations will be on
September 9, 10, and 12
at PCJH

All cheerleaders and basketball players **MUST ATTEND ONE!**

What does it cost?
Basketball \$99.00 per child.
Cheerleading \$99.00 per child.
10% Discount for Siblings
2nd, 3rd, etc.

Contact:
Linda Hanlon, Director
upward@pcjh.org
307-739-9591 x 124

Howdy Church Family,

The Emlyn clan is excited to join this community as we pursue God's mission and purpose together as a church. It is a privilege and honor to be invited into this family, and we look forward to the relationships we will have the opportunity to form with you. In the meantime, we wanted to introduce ourselves and let you know a little more about our family.

I (Ricky) am from a small town in Northern British Columbia (eh?). For many years now, I have dedicated my life to serving God here in the US and in the nations. From pastoring youth in Los Angeles, leading discipleship training programs in Colorado Springs, to working with street kids in Brazil and South Africa, God has given me a passion for discipling young people into the plans He has for them.

My beautiful and amazing wife, Jodi, shares the same passion for discipleship, and has led many types of programs while encouraging young women to realize their potential in Christ.

As a family, we believe God has called us to raise up a generation of young people whose identities and purposes are firmly rooted in Christ. Our deepest desire is to walk alongside youth of all ages, introducing them to a lifestyle of faith and service. Our vision is to see them become leaders and trend setters in their schools, communities and the nations.

Our family is full of energy! More often than not, you can find us having fun and spending quality time together. Our kids, Brynn and Bear, love horseback riding and playing outdoors. Jodi loves cooking, home design and running. We are excited and grateful for this new season God has led us into, and can't wait to jump into life together with you.

Blessings,

The Emlyn Family

J.O.Y. Summer Camp

Thank you PCJH Family
for your support!!



We had a wonderful summer of fun, fellowship, and following Jesus – “God Sightings” were plentiful! Our staff and “leaders in training” were such a blessing - sharing our Lord's love with and guiding 158 campers! New this summer was the Explorers group for 6th-8th graders, lead by our Intern Andrew Perkins, and the "Summer Sampler" program that introduced 50 K-6th graders to J.O.Y.!

Because of your support of this ministry and generous contributions from the community and "Summer Sampler" program, families received \$25,500 in tuition assistance to attend J.O.Y. We thank you!

In His Service, Sarah Gensch & Diane McGee

Fellowship Dinners for Families with Young Children

At a PCJH Session meeting last year, one of our ruling elders made a comment that struck me as significant. She said, "There is a tsunami of families with young children flooding into PCJH. What are we going to do to connect them to the church and to one another?" I thought it was a great observation and an important question. Praise God for drawing all these families to us!

Since then, we have put our efforts together and we are inviting all families with young children to consider being a part of a **Monthly Dinner Fellowship Group** that meets in homes once a month with three other families. Here are the details...

- Each family rotates host duties at their home or other location
- Potluck style dinner, picnic or brunch
- Individual groups can decide on the date, time, and place of the meeting
- The goal is to build relationships and get to know other families of young children who attend PCJH
- Fun and relaxation are mandatory for participation
- A commitment to meet monthly or every 6 weeks with the same families from Oct. through May
- Sometimes you might want kids to be there and sometimes it might be nice to get a babysitter and have some adult time

If you are interested in either being in a group or being a group leader, please contact Pam Flores at pflores@pcjh.org. If you know some families with young children who are not yet connected to the life of PCJH, please encourage them to participate in this great fellowship opportunity! Addie and I started a group last year and have made some close and meaningful friendships in Christ. I encourage you to do the same.

~Pastor Ben



The PCJH young adult group, Koinonia, met in Miller Park throughout the summer for a weekly BBQ and worship time. This was an awesome time to enjoy the summer in Jackson and make our presence known out in the community!

Pastor Ben leads worship around the campfire at Colter Bay campground as people gather to hear Rev. Gordon Stevenson preach a powerful and convicting message on the eight myths of being a Christian.



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Little Lambs is back and running!



We are excited to have a new Pre-K class on M/W/F and are excited to welcome Miss Effie Edwards to our Little Lambs teaching team! September is packed with fun and active learning. We kicked the year off with a "Healthy Start" making fruit rainbows and joining Tiffany Morgan in Holy Yoga as we learned to move our bodies while praising the Lord. We have lots more planned with another St. Jude's Trike-a-Thon and Outdoor Classrooms. Our monthly bible verse is from Jeremiah 29:11, "'For I know the plans I have for you,' says the Lord." We still have toddler spaces available, so please contact me at eabel@pcjh.org for more information.

Blessings, Mrs. Erin



OKLAHOMA TORNADO RELIEF TRIP

On May 20th, a devastating tornado struck several of the communities near Oklahoma City. The severity of the storm was unprecedented and left a wide swath of devastation. Three months after this storm, they are just completing the cleanup efforts and will soon be looking to start the process of rebuilding homes and, more importantly, the lives of those people that were in the path of the storm. Many of these people are now living in 6 foot x 10 foot temporary shelters.

PCJH will be partnering with Habitat for Humanity of the Greater Teton Area to send a team to Oklahoma to help in this rebuilding. The trip is tentatively scheduled for October 20th to 27th. A large non-denominational Oklahoma church, the Church of the Harvest, is coordinating the volunteer relief efforts. They will house our volunteers in dormitory space and provide breakfast and dinner at a cost of only \$25/person/day. Air-fare from Jackson to Oklahoma City will be about \$500. Factoring in other expenses the anticipated total cost should be around \$800 per person. Some scholarship money is available to help those volunteers in need of financial assistance to make the trip possible.

All volunteers are welcome regardless of their building skill level. Work teams will be organized to utilize everyone that wants to participate.

The impact of this trip will be significant as very few teams have volunteered to provide help this fall. The goal is to get as many people as possible out of the temporary shelters by the onset of winter.

Let's show the people of Oklahoma the "Get Er Done" spirit of Wyoming.

If you have an interest in participating your Mission Team needs to hear from you NOW so that we can move forward with planning the trip logistics. To sign up for the trip or get additional information please contact Bob Kopp at bkopp@waldenasset.com or 203-2329.

PCJH Family: An opportunity to "Go and Grow"

St. John's Medical Center will be hosting
Spiritual Care Volunteer Training
Thursday, Sept. 26th from 5-9 PM (Dinner included)

"Spiritual Care Volunteers offer compassionate and nurturing care to the patients, residents, families and staff of St. John's Medical Center through a ministry of presence while honoring ethnic, cultural, religious and lifestyle diversity".

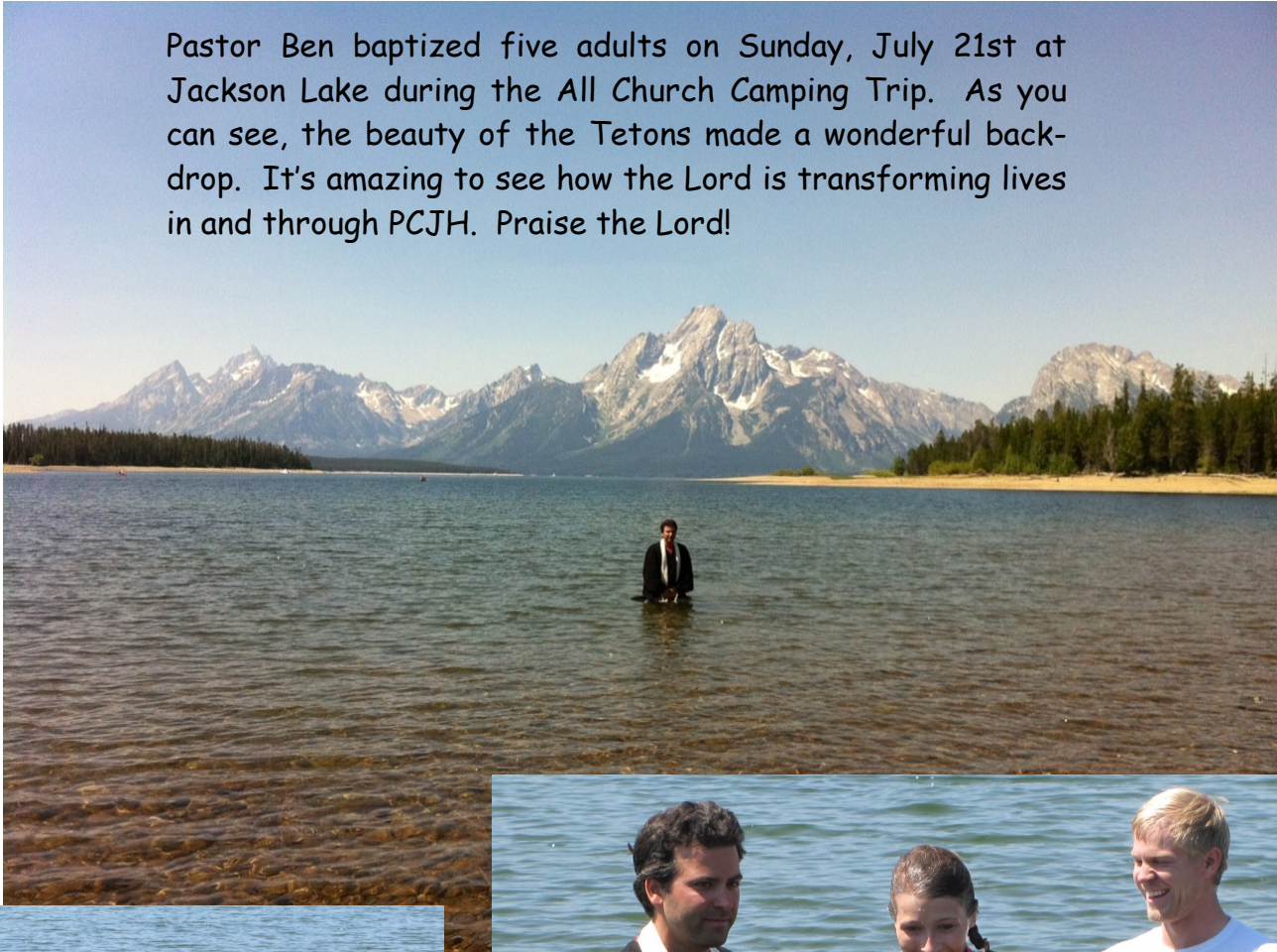
Spiritual Care volunteers are active members of their faith community who wish to extend their ministry of presence and compassion.

With support from the administration of SJMC the Spiritual Care Volunteers now have an opportunity to touch more lives at SJMC!

If you are interested in the special "call" to serve. Please contact Terri Hayden at 739-7541
or email at thayden@tetonhospital.org.
Registration is required.



Pastor Ben baptized five adults on Sunday, July 21st at Jackson Lake during the All Church Camping Trip. As you can see, the beauty of the Tetons made a wonderful backdrop. It's amazing to see how the Lord is transforming lives in and through PCJH. Praise the Lord!



September Birthdays 2013

Dean Shaw	Sept 1
Meg Womack	Sept 1
Dave Dufault	Sept 2
Jeff Hanson	Sept 2
Ken Thomasma	Sept 2
Louise Deland	Sept 3
Dennis Holton	Sept 3
Dave Leinonen	Sept 3
Ben Blount	Sept 4
Kerry Carr	Sept 4
Paula Jorgenson	Sept 4
Dean Lewis	Sept 4
Trevor Potter	Sept 4
Judy Scarborough	Sept 4
Robert Copyak	Sept 5
Matt Faupel	Sept 5
Caroline Taylor	Sept 5
Rayne Wikoff	Sept 5
Norm Hofley	Sept 6
Sheilah Kasten	Sept 7
Owen Orchard	Sept 7
Kyle Hanson	Sept 9
Logan Jarvie	Sept 9
Mary Neal	Sept 9
Joseph Ertle	Sept 10
Cheyenne Holton	Sept 10
Sigmund Mattheis	Sept 11
Brian Bergsma	Sept 12
Ellery Schwertfeger	Sept 12
Meta Sternberg	Sept 12
Shirley Cheramy	Sept 13
Tori Lund	Sept 13
Beau Luther	Sept 13
Scott Smith	Sept 13
Brandie Orchard	Sept 14
Alex Jordan	Sept 15
Duane Schneider	Sept 15
Sam Smith	Sept 15
Jennifer Durn	Sept 16
Robin Raymond	Sept 16
Dee Dee Sorsby	Sept 16
Ruth Ann Petroff	Sept 17
Chase Beninga	Sept 18
Aaron Nydam	Sept 18
Deanna Fox	Sept 19
John Hanlon	Sept 19



Eliot Neal	Sept 19
Luke Walton	Sept 19
Erin Nye	Sept 20
Larry VanGenderen	Sept 20
Norah Wilson	Sept 20
Emma Boillot	Sept 21
Belle Fralin	Sept 21
Lynn Friess	Sept 23
Mitch Lewis	Sept 23
Helen Stalker	Sept 23
Vivian Barrett	Sept 25
Brittney Murphy	Sept 25
Ainsley Schwertfeger	Sept 25
Andrew Perkins	Sept 26
Brady Swecker	Sept 26
Nicole Ackley	Sept 27
Calee Dunlap	Sept 27
Thom Sheue	Sept 27
Pat Weber/Windle	Sept 28
Aaron Ackley	Sept 29
Bryce Fralin	Sept 29
Deb Keenan	Sept 29
Alan Luther	Sept 29
Mike Nelson	Sept 29
Frank Scarborough	Sept 29
Erica Dahlin	Sept 30
David Dahlin	Sept 30
Janice Murphy	Sept 30
Ford Stradley	Sept 30

September Anniversaries 2013



Mike & Liz Jorgenson	Sept 1	11 Years
Peter & Deb Keenan	Sept 1	6 Years
Kerry & Sue Murphy	Sept 1	23 Years
Kraig & Julie Kobert	Sept 2	18 Years
Devin & Madeline Owens	Sept 2	1 Year
Tom & Kris Thompson	Sept 2	35 Years
John & Lori Bitner	Sept 4	3 Years
Guy & Robin Evans	Sept 4	8 Years
Billy & Kathy Robertson	Sept 4	37 Years
Warren & Sue Myers	Sept 5	15 Years
Robert & Debra Sanford	Sept 6	27 Years
Shepard & Lynn Humphries	Sept 7	10 Years
Ed & Shirley Cheramy	Sept 8	27 Years
Joe & Julie Whitlock	Sept 8	52 Years
Norm & Carole Hofley	Sept 9	52 Years
Mark & Liz Cassen	Sept 10	8 Years
Brett & Sarah Gensch	Sept 15	12 Years
Mike & Alison Kyle Varilone	Sept 16	13 Years
Tom & Pat Windle	Sept 17	25 Years
Alan & Irene Lund	Sept 19	32 Years
Phil & Betsy Stevenson	Sept 21	22 Years
Neal & Nancy Henderson	Sept 22	18 Years
Robert & Cathy Wikoff	Sept 23	24 Years
Jeff & Sandra Zender	Sept 25	8 Years
Glenn & Karen Ford	Sept 30	10 Years

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8:00 am Worship Service 9:00am Adult Bible Class 9:10:15am Worship Service 10:30am Children's Sunday School	2 Labor Day No Little Lambs Church Office Closed	3	4	5	6	7 8:00am Men's Discussion Group PCJH Youth Lounge
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