

The Pinnacle

The Presbyterian Church of Jackson Hole

June, 2015

Where every member is a minister!



FIND OUT WHEN THE RUMMAGE SALE IS?

MEET YOUR DEACON OF THE MONTH, MARIAN MYERS

FIND OUT ABOUT WEDNESDAYS CLASS THIS SUMMER

FIND OUT HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE WITHIN THE CHURCH

- Tithes and offerings may be made on-line at PCJH.org by clicking the yellow "Donate" button at the bottom right of your screen.

The PCJH ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE

Saturday, June 20, 2015

8am—1pm

Teton County Fair Building
It is like a GIANT Treasure Hunt!
Friends, PCJH Family and FUN!
It Supports the Jackson Community
It Supports PCJH as well!



In order to make our annual rummage sale **BIGGER** and **BETTER** than ever, **PCJH needs your help!**

Here is how:

- Everybody needs a Spring Clean. Please bring your best rummage items to the Teton County Fair Ground Building during the week of set up: June 15-19. We will be working almost all day, every day that week so please come by to drop off your stuff, and if you can, stay a while to help the team set up.
- Sign up to join us in preparing for the BIG SALE.
- There will be a BIG truck parked in the PCJH parking lot the week of June 8 for your convenience in dropping off your items for the sale. The truck's shelves will need organizing, so please volunteer for an hour of sorting through the really fun items!

What kind of rummage items are we looking for? Good Question:

- gently used, clean clothes (all sizes)
- household items
- kitchen-wares
- kids' toys and baby supplies
- sporting goods
- garden tools
- art and collectables
- smaller pieces of furniture

Lots and lots of volunteers will be needed to sort and categorize while the truck is in the parking lot at PCJH and also during the week before the sale at the Fair Grounds.

Volunteers are also needed the day of the Big Sale, Saturday, June 20, 8am to 1pm and right after the sale to reorganize the County Building.

It is fun working with and getting to know all the other PCJH volunteers. New friends are just waiting to meet you. Look for the sign-up sheets in the lobby of the church. Join in, share and HAVE FUN!

If you want more information, call Diane Nichols at 303-748-7138 or Irene Lund at 310-993-7485.

Every Member a Minister

Dear PCJH Family,

As we head into the summer months, the rhythm to life and ministry changes. We begin to welcome our summer resident friends back into town. We are grateful to all be together again. The summer is a busy time of year in Jackson as many people work long hours during this "harvest" time of the year as tourists flock to our valley. Others are busy entertaining family members and playing outside in the beautiful weather (although it is raining as I write this.) Our students finish up another year of school. Our seniors are graduating and moving on. Our choir takes a summer break which allows others to provide special music on Sundays. Our Wednesday night fellowship dinners will wrap up on June 10th as we give our faithful volunteers a break and as we all take advantage of the many opportunities provided by our community on summer nights. We will begin an adult education class on Wednesday nights at 6:00pm on June 17th to provide a mid-week time of gathering together to grow in our faith this summer. Our high school mission team will be traveling to Costa Rica to do the Lord's work. Our children's Sunday School teachers take a break over the summer while Ricky leads group Sunday School. Our JOY summer camp begins to ramp up as we welcome old and new campers for a summer of fun and faith as they explore God's Creation together.

Different rhythms to life are important because it provides change, it keeps things interesting, and it gives us a breath of fresh air. In the midst of all that change, one thing remains constant. God. God is our Rock and our Redeemer. God's love is everlasting. May this summer be a chance for you to see God anew and to grow in your faith in fresh ways. May the Holy Spirit blow on us and give us an abundant life this summer as we move to a new rhythm of life and ministry.

Summer Sermon Series

During the first half of June we will wrap up a short sermon series on the book of Jonah, the reluctant prophet. We will be focusing on God's relentless grace. As we move into the second half of June we will begin a summer-long sermon series entitled

**Questions for God
Questions God Asks Us**

As the Israelites journeyed through the desert of Sinai for 40 years, they were sustained by manna that fell from heaven. The manna was like bread that provided sustenance for the Israelites during their long journey through the wilderness. The word "manna" in Hebrew literally means, "What is it?" The very thing that provided nourishment and sustenance came in the form of a question... "What is it?"

Questions are important. We all have them. I personally believe our questions can provide spiritual nourishment as we wrestle with challenging questions about life and faith. I don't know about you, but I am not satisfied with easy

answers. I enjoy a relationship with God where I am free to ask questions and in doing so, I grow in my faith. I am saddened when I meet people who no longer ask questions.

Might our questions be an example of our child-like faith that Jesus wants from us? My 5-year-old daughter asks a lot of questions. I delight in her questions as long as she doesn't begin repeating, "why?... why?... why?... why?... why?... why?... When she has a thoughtful question, I am always happy to discuss her question with her. I believe God welcomes our questions because the Lord knows they will ultimately lead us to God.

What questions do you have for God? Please take time between now and June 14th to write out your questions for God. You can email them to me at bpascal@pcjh.org or you can write your questions on a note and put it in the box in the church lobby. I will compile the questions and pick five to address during the sermon series this summer. However, I'd like to point out that Jesus was asked 183 questions in the Gospels, but he only directly answered three of them!

Have you ever considered that God might also have questions for us? We are always so quick to question God, but maybe we should consider the questions God asks us. In the Bible there are several questions that God asks the people. Here are a few... Where are you? Where is your brother? What is that in your hand? What is your name? What are you doing here? What are you looking for? Who do you say I am? Do you want to get well? Why are you crying? Do you understand what I have done for you?

How would you answer these questions?

Trevor Hudson, in his book *Questions God Asks Us*, writes the following about why God would want to entertain our questions and ask us questions...

1. *God wants to enter into a conversational relationship with each of us.*
2. *God gives greater dignity to us by allowing us to wrestle with the questions rather than simply giving us the answers.*
3. *A question has greater power to transform us than a straightforward answer.*

We will explore questions of faith during our summer sermon series in June, July and August. This summer will be a great time to invite friends to church as we explore some great questions!

Let's continue striving for the vision of **every member a minister** as we work towards our mission to **gather** to love God and others, **grow** to know and follow Jesus, and **go** to make a difference in the world.

Your friend along the journey,

~Pastor Ben

Meet the PCJH Staff & Ruling Elders

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Ben Pascal – Senior Pastor
Rev. Steve Weber – Temporary Associate Pastor

Worship Staff

Kenny Hadden – Worship Coordinator
Keith Phillips – Pianist

Administrative Staff

Jo Holton - Church Administrator & Facilities Director
Lindsey Parr – Communications & Congregational Life Coordinator
Pam Flores – Congregational Host
Barb Huhn – Pinnacle Newsletter Publisher
Kim Bogen – Bookkeeper
Sanchez Family – Custodial Crew
Bill Fox – Maintenance Specialist

Kitchen Staff

Steve Murphy – Wednesday Fellowship Dinner Chef

Children, Youth and Family Ministry

Ricky Emlyn – Director of Children, Youth and Family
Jordan Shive – 2nd Year Intern
Abby Powell – 1st Year Intern
Darla Jackson – Nursery
Renee Knutson – Wednesday After School Teacher

Little Lambs Preschool

Effie Edwards – Director & Teacher
Diane McGee – Assistant Director & Teacher
Martha Davila – Teacher
Mrs. Cho – Teacher
Katie Moteberg – Teacher
Pat Wright – Teacher

J.O.Y. Summer Camp

Diane McGee – J.O.Y. Summer Camp Director
Stephanie Murphy – Assistant Director

Upward Basketball

Linda Hanlon – Upward Basketball Director

PCJH Church Council (Ruling Elders)

Ken Blount & Kathy Robertson - Adult Ministries
Alli Lane - Small Groups
Cindy Dahlin - Congregational Life
Nancy Dunlap - Worship
Karen Fox - Children, Youth & Family
Larry Huhn - Buildings & Grounds
Larry Jorgenson - Clerk
Alan Lund - Finance
Patty McDonald - Personnel
George Scarlett - Nominating
Katie-Chloe Stock - Mission

DEACON OF THE MONTH Marian Myers

My husband, Dave, and daughter, Sydney, and I have lived full time in Jackson since 1997. Having met as college students in Yellowstone, Dave and I made plans for many years to move to Jackson. We began attending PCJH right away---it became our church home from the first moment we walked into the Middle School with our 6 month old daughter and were greeted by the smiling faces of Sherry Poinsett and Lynn Sherwood. We are now the proud parents of a Senior who is soon to be graduating from JHHS! I am fortunate to work for myself in a profession which I love, as a physical therapist. Like many in the valley, my other interests include a variety of outdoor pursuits--- climbing, kayaking, mountain biking, back country skiing, and snowboarding. At PCJH I have had the privilege to serve as an Elder as well as a Deacon. It is also a privilege to be part of a church family who reaches out to the community locally and abroad. I continue to be excited about the leadership and staff of PCJH and am grateful for their service. Let us strive to “treat others the same way you want them to treat you” (Luke 6:31) and to remember that “nothing can ever separate us from God’s love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow...”(Romans 8:38)



PCJH Teams Need More Participation

There's a joke out there that says something like this...

*"Do you know how many Presbyterians it takes to change a light bulb?"
"I don't know... they would probably form a committee to figure it out."*

While there may be some truth to that joke as we think of denominational gridlock and some churches that rely so heavily on committees that they never get anything done, we are proud to say that PCJH doesn't get caught up in committees getting in the way of doing the Lord's work.

In fact, we actually are trying to not even use the word "committee" because of the negative connotation to the word and because we see these groups operating more like a "team". So... you'll find us using the word "team" in place of "committee" at PCJH.

Our PCJH teams do a great job of serving the church and creating a space for the membership and regular attendees to participate in the leadership and inner-workings of the church, while also providing accountability to the congregation and church council. Our teams are extremely helpful and filled with people willing to serve.

There are several teams in the life of PCJH. Currently every team is seeking additional team members to participate in the work of the team. Please consider joining a team by contacting the team chair(s) below. Here are the various teams that are open to members and regular attendees.

1. **Worship Team** – This team meets about once every six weeks and provides feedback and suggestions for our Sunday worship services. They are instrumental in planning big worship events during the high seasons of Advent/Christmas, Lent/Holy Week/Easter, and other special occasions. Please contact Nancy Dunlap at ngdunlap@gmail.com for more info.
2. **Adult Ministries Team** – This team meets about six times a year and provides feedback and suggestions for our adult ministries which includes adult classes, 20s & 30s ministry, retreats, and small groups. Please contact Kathy Robertson at kr Robertson@bresnan.net, Ken Blount at blountkr@gmail.com, or Alli Lane at alli.lane603@gmail.com for more info.
3. **Children, Youth and Family Team** – This team is in its formation stage and will meet periodically to provide feedback and suggestions for all of our children and youth programs, including Sunday School, Wednesday After School Program, Youth Ministry, and other programs. Please contact Karen Fox at karen.fox1@usbank.com for more info.
4. **Finance Team** – This team meets for an hour on the third Tuesday of every month at 4:00pm to review PCJH's financial statements and to make financial recommendations to Council when needed. Please contact Alan Lund at alan.lund32@gmail.com for more info.
5. **Stewardship Team** – This team meets about every six weeks to provide feedback and suggestions on how to create a culture of generosity at PCJH through our time, talents, and treasure. The team is instrumental in raising the funds needed to operate the church. Please contact Greg Wright at gregorywright@mac.com for more info.
6. **Congregational Life Team** – This team meets about six times a year to provide feedback and suggestions on how best to welcome and assimilate people into the life of the church. This team also plans fun fellowship events throughout the year in order to cultivate relationships among the congregation. Please contact Cindy Dahlin at cindydahlin@hotmail.com for more info.
7. **Buildings and Grounds Team** – This team meets periodically to review and make decisions about PCJH's buildings and grounds as needs and issues come up related to the properties owned by the church. Please contact Larry Huhn at jackfoodwy@gmail.com for more info.
8. **Mission Team** – This team meets about six times a year to oversee PCJH's mission efforts locally, regionally, nationally, and internationally. The team makes decisions regarding PCJH monetary gifts given to our mission partners and to coordinate special mission projects like the monthly Good Samaritan Mission dinners, special offerings, disaster relief efforts, and our Agros International partnership. Please contact Katie-Chloe Stock at katiechloe1@gmail.com for more info.
9. **Personnel Team** – This team meets as needed throughout the year and is responsible for the church's oversight of staff. They are involved in discussing confidential information as it relates to the human resources of the church. Please contact Patty McDonald at pattyamcdonald@gmail.com for more info.
10. **Hospitality Team** – This team meets as needed throughout the year in order to provide hospitality to grieving families. The team's main focus is to provide support at funerals and memorial services. Please contact Robyn Jones at jonesrobyn123@gmail.com.

(CONTINUED) PCJH TEAMS NEED MORE PARTICIPATION

In addition to these ten teams, there are several other teams that are subsets of these teams such as Sunday School teachers, youth ministry leaders, choir, praise band, Wednesday dinner crew, and other special event teams.

We also have three teams that use a formal nomination process in order for people to serve on the team. The nomination process happens only once a year at our annual congregational meeting. Only official members of PCJH may serve on these teams...

1. **Ruling Elders (Church Council)** – This team meets on the third Tuesday of every month at 5:30pm and consists of the Ruling Elders elected by the congregation. They provide the overall spiritual leadership and direction of the church and review the work of the other teams and are responsible for making big decisions on behalf of the congregation. Please contact Pastor Ben at bpascal@pcjh.org for more info.
2. **Deacons** – This team meets about six times a year and consists of Deacons elected by the congregation. They provide care for the membership of the church. Each Deacon has a flock of members who they keep in touch with and provide care when needed. Please contact Karen Brennan at karensandvik@hotmail.com, or Donna Barrett at donna@garyshockeylaw.com for more info.
3. **Nominating Team** – This team consists of members elected by the congregation and they are in charge of the nominating process for Ruling Elders and Deacons and for any other special teams that need to be formed in the life of the church. Please contact George Scarlett at scarlettgeorge@hotmail.com for more info.

If you have any further questions about these various teams and how you might use your time and talent to serve, please contact the team chairs above.

Remember... every member a minister!



Stewardship Update: Last year, as a congregation we were blessed to have exceeded our target for tithes and offerings by over \$10,268 thanks to your extraordinary generosity.

Our target for 2015 is \$908,034, an increase of 3.8% over last year's target and a modest increase of 2.6% from what we actually received last year.

As of the end of April, tithes and offerings to PCJH totaled \$203,025, which was \$4,300 behind where we were at the same time last year. Because our target for 2015 is an increase over 2014, this comparison understates our current shortfall. Factoring that in, we're approximately \$11,000 behind where we should be at this point in the year – not a worrisome amount, but a shortfall.

We have \$705,009 remaining to be raised this year to meet our target towards this year's budget.

Yours in Christ, Stewardship Team PCJH

Budget Update: As you may recall, PCJH has a budget for 2015 of approximately \$1,000,000, with expenses expected to be greater than revenues by \$27,175.

As of the end of April, PCJH is four months into the 2015 Budget. Expenses are below expected levels for the this time of year by \$22,369.

Blessings, The Finance Team



A Slice of Theology: Comparative Religions

Wednesdays This Summer
Beginning June 17 at 6 p.m.
Join Us in the Genesis Room
Pizza (and other tasty options) and a
Great Course will be Served

Our format will include sharing a simple meal, a 30-minute lecture from Dr. Kimball and time for discussion. Please share this important opportunity to learn and grow in our understanding with your friends.

ABOUT THIS COURSE: This is one of the Great Courses. It is taught via video by a renowned scholar in the area of world religions, Dr. Charles Kimball, a professor in Religious Studies at the University of Oklahoma. He is an ordained Baptist pastor with a Doctor of Theology in Comparative Religions from Harvard University who is a frequent lecturer and expert analyst on issues related to the Middle East, Islam, Jewish-Christian-Muslim relations and the intersection of religion and politics in the United States. He is the author of several books including *Striving Together: A Way Forward in Christian-Muslim Relations*.

What, exactly, is religion? And why does one religious tradition often differ so markedly from another, even when you might not expect it to? Why, for example, are the Abrahamic faiths of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam—despite their common source—often so different? And what kinds of factors separate the beliefs of a Hindu or Buddhist not only from those held by Jews, Christians, or Muslims, or by each other, but also from many who identify themselves as fellow Hindus or Buddhists?

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CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Children, Youth & Family Newsletter

June, 2015

Save the Dates

Wednesday, June 3

After School Program
6:45-7:45 MS Youth Group

Wednesday, June 10

NO AFTER SCHOOL
PROGRAM until September

Monday, June 15

First day of JOY Camp

Saturday, June 20

HS Mission Team Leaves

Saturday, June 27

HS Mission Team Returns

On Saturday, June 20, sixteen high schoolers and five adult leaders will be on their way to San Jose, Costa Rica to build a home through the ministry Homes of



Hope, a branch of Youth With a Mission: Costa Rica. Our packing lists have been sent out, plane tickets bought, and the team has grown more ready for the trip with each passing Wednesday, which is when we have our Mission Trip Training meetings. As a whole, we are so excited to not only build a house for a family in need, therefore building them a completely new life, but also to run a Children's Program with the children in the area. The team, split into two, will take turns playing games, reading crafts, and teaching stories to the children while the other half builds. I am so eager to see

the different ways in which our team is touched by the Costa Ricans and the heart of Jesus. I ask that you be praying for our team in the weeks to come. Before, we leave, will you pray that our team **submit** our thoughts and actions to the Lord in order to prepare their hearts for the trip and may we continue to grow in **unity** among each other. Once there, please pray that we are **committed** and **engaged** to the task at hand, constantly seeking, receiving, and giving the love of Jesus. Once home, I ask that you pray for us to be **crucified** to our old lives and attempt to understand what Jesus has done in our lives. These words are important, for they are five of the seven key ingredients for a successful mission trip that we will be studying in Costa Rica. Once we leave, we will have a daily update on our trip that can be found at www.pcjhcostarica.wordpress.com. Please check there for all team updates, pictures, and prayer requests.



This is part of
our team
during the
flamingo
fundraiser.

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May was busy! We were working in our garden plots and celebrating our wonderful MOTHERS!!! We are finishing up the year learning about trying new things, doing our best and helping others. We look forward to bike week at the end of the month and some park visits in the month of June. I cannot believe it is almost the end of the school year!!!!



Please “save the date” for the Little Lambs End of Year Program and Graduation on Thursday, June 4th @ 5:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.





J.O.Y. in JH Summer Camp

Registration Continues online @ pcjh.org
 Limited Spaces - Enroll Soon!



Thank you for joining us at Spring Brunch & your generous donations.

You helped us raise \$1334 for J.O.Y. Scholarships!

Special thanks to all of the volunteers and sponsors who made this event possible, including the Sat. Men's Group,

Mary Walton, J.O.Y. campers & parents, staff,

Hoback Market, Jackson Whole Grocer & Albertsons



EXPLORE YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS
 Through Service, Leadership and Good Old-Fashioned Fun!

DAY CAMP:

Week 1 July 6-10 Week 2 July 13-17 Week 3 July 20-24



REGISTER NOW
LIMITED SPACES!

For more information:
explorers@pcjh.org
 or 739-9591

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We provide a truly unique summer camp experience for children 3yrs—Middle School! Daily & Weekly Programs

Find details & enrollment instructions w/link on our website pcjh.org

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



THE GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

August 6-7, 2015 | willowcreek.com/summit

Pastor Ben hosted “A Taste of the Summit” at PCJH last month to provide a glimpse into **The Global Leadership Summit** that we are hosting this summer at our church on August 6-7th. A group of elders, deacons, the PCJH staff, local pastors, and key community leaders attended the informational and motivational gathering. The “Taste” was a great opportunity to spread the news:

**The Global Leadership Summit is a “can’t miss”
leadership-training event for our congregants
and community members!**

The “Taste” was so well received that three local churches have committed to “partner” with us in this extraordinary event and are promoting it with their congregations as well! So, spread the word with your family, friends and coworkers and join us for this unprecedented church-sponsored community event.

As you know, the early bird gets the worm! PCJH attendees may register now for the lowest Global Leadership Summit rate using the code GLS15HOST at pcjh.org/events/global-leadership-summit/

For more information, videos, and Summit resources, please visit: <http://www.willowcreek.com/events/leadership/>

Contact Sue Unruh with questions at sueunruh@gmail.com or 224-623-0109.



BILL HYBELS

Founder and Senior Pastor, Willow Creek Community Church

Bill Hybels is senior pastor of Willow Creek Community Church, a church of more than 25,000 that celebrates its 40th year in 2015. He founded The Global Leadership Summit with a commitment to develop and mentor leaders worldwide. In 2014, the Summit equipped more than 220,000 leaders in 785 cities and 108 countries. Hybels is the best-selling author of more than 20 books including *Simplify*, *Courageous Leadership* and *Leadership Axioms*.



SALLIE KRAWCHECK

Chair, Ellevest Network; Former President, Bank of America's Global Wealth & Investment Management

Sallie Krawcheck has a reputation for integrity, independent thinking and an unrelenting focus on results. Called "The Last Honest Analyst" on Wall Street by *Fortune Magazine*, she argued that clients should be reimbursed for a portion of the losses they incurred during the financial downturn. Named number 9 on *Fast Company's* list of the "100 Most Creative People 2014," Krawcheck recognizes that empowering women is smart for business and currently leads Ellevest—a network of more than 34,000 professional women around the world.



ADAM GRANT

Professor, Wharton School of Business; Best-selling Author

Adam Grant is the youngest tenured professor at Wharton. Named one of *BusinessWeek's* favorite professors and one of the world's 40 best business professors under 40, he is the best-selling author of *Give and Take: A Revolutionary Approach to Success*. His pioneering research has led to increased performance and reduced burnout among business professionals—concluding that a giving mindset might be the best path to getting ahead.



BRIAN HOUSTON

Founder and Global Senior Pastor, Hillsong Church

Brian Houston is senior pastor of Australia-based Hillsong Church, a global family of congregations comprising more than 100,000 weekly attendees. Regarded for his boldness, innovation and vision, he is passionate about the local church and empowering the next generation of leaders with fresh Biblical teaching, relevant worship and accessible community. He is also the President of Hillsong Bible College and the Executive Producer of more than 30 gold and platinum albums that have come from the Hillsong Worship team.



ED CATMULL

Co-founder of Pixar Animation Studios; President of Walt Disney Animation Studios

Ed Catmull has been honored with five Academy Awards including the Gordon E. Sawyer Award for a lifetime of contributions and leadership in the field of computer graphics for the motion picture industry. His book *Creativity, Inc.* is a distillation of the management principles he has used to lead one of the world's most creative cultures. This session will explore the nerve center of Pixar—the meetings, postmortems and "Braintrust" sessions where some of the most successful films in history have been made.

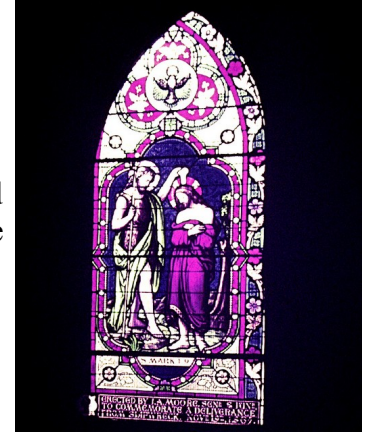
MAY Anniversaries 2015



Scott & Donna Barrett June 1	Married 7 years
David & Patsy Raaum June 3	Married 20 years
Duane & Nancy Schneider June 5	Married 39 years
Ray & Meg Womack June 5	Married 40 years
Jeff & Sarah Hanson June 9	Married 31 years
Dean & Carol Lewis June 9	Married 37 years
Grace & Al Reuter June 10	Married 54 years
Dennis & Jo Holton June 11	Married 27 years
Scott & Diane McGee June 12	Married 11 years
Greg & Patricia Wright June 13	Married 34 years
Bob & Debbie Kopp June 16	Married 36 years
Ken & Bobbi Thomasma June 16	Married 60 years
David & Eunice Conine June 18	Married 49 years
Merrill & Nanette Ritter June 18	Married 53 years
Terry & Margaret Jones June 19	Married 44 years
Bob & Annabelle Lerch June 22	Married 58 years
Doug & Pamela Sanders June 22	Married 48 years
Jim & Sally Byrne June 26	Married 55 years
Bob & Bonnie Lewis June 27	Married 35 years
Tom & Janice Segerstrom June 27	
Jeff & Lana Crabtree June 28	Married 35 years
Matt & Julie Faupel June 29	Married 13 years

The Gospel of Matthew Study

Our Sunday morning study of Matthew's gospel continues this summer at 9 a.m. It is never too late to get in on the lively discussion and insights into the life of Jesus. All are welcome in the Genesis Room with Pastor Steve Weber leading most Sundays.



Welcome New Members

We would like to welcome the following people as new members of PCJH...

1. Jack & Carla Herman
2. Laura & Will Soltau
3. Rick & Sue Unruh
4. Karin Unruh
5. Michele Halle

Membership at PCJH is a way for people to publicly proclaim their faith in Jesus Christ and their commitment to the ministry and mission of the local church. Once someone becomes a member of PCJH, they are assigned a deacon who prays and cares for them. Members are also allowed to vote on important matters in the life of the church, serve as deacons, elders, and committee chairs. There are other perks and discounts related to our children, youth, and family fee-based ministries.

In order to become a member, we ask people to attend one of our quarterly church information classes. After attending the class and having any questions answered about their personal faith and the church, the individual attends one of our Church Council meetings where they are asked four questions of faith in front of the Ruling Elders and then accepted into membership. If you are interested in becoming a new member, our next Church Information Class will be held on Wednesday, July 8th from 5:30pm to 8:00pm (dinner and childcare provided). Please RSVP with Jo Holton at jholton@pcjh.org if you are interested in attending.

Email Address Privacy

PCJH is committed to protecting everyone's email address privacy. Please do not use PCJH as a way to acquire email addresses for soliciting purposes. If you should receive emails about church business where email addresses have been inadvertently listed rather than BCC'd, we kindly request that you do not use those addresses for purposes other than church business communications.

Should you receive an unwanted solicitation email from a PCJH member or affiliate, please notify the church office at office@pcjh.org.

**VIEW THE PINNACLE IN COLOR BY VISITING
THE CHURCH WEBSITE at WWW.PCJH.ORG**

June 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 HS Senior Recognition Sunday 8am—Worship Service 9:00am Adult Classes 10:15am Intergenerational Worship Service First Communion	8 8:45am—Women's Covenant Group	9 6:45am—Men's Breakfast at the Virginian 12 Noon Women's Bible Study 1:15pm Staff	10 No After School Program 6:00pm—Last Fellowship Dinner till September 6:45-7:45 – Adult Classes	11 Last Day of Little Lambs 12:00 Noon Men's Group at JH Whole Grocer—Community Room	12	13 8:00am -Men's Discussion Group PCJH Youth Lounge
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BRING YOUR BEST

A WORD FROM ASSOCIATE PASTOR STEVE WEBER

Here They Come ... Are You Ready for Tourist Season?

Pastor Steve Weber

“Right now, there are more animals than people,” so said our waitress at Wild Bill Cody’s old hunting lodge just outside Yellowstone’s east gate. Really? I had some sort of loose count going in my head and bipeds were definitely far in the lead compared to the moose, elk, deer, bison, big horn sheep, antelope, marmots, chipmunks we had seen. Actually it was a close race until the big pink bus from Las Vegas pulled in with what sounded like scores of Germans disembarking who were also keeping score.



As tourist season explodes on western Wyoming my first reaction is “Wow! Where did they all come from?” One nuance of developing technology this year is the popularity of the selfie pole and it appears to have made its way to Jackson Hole. Visitors with cell phone Extended on the end of a four foot pole are taking their own photos at the antler arch on town square, before the moose statue at the park visitor center or just before the Teton Range itself. That’s a disappointment. Last summer, before coming to serve here at PCJH, I would drop Cindy off at her Center for the Arts office and then head for the Town Square where I served as an unofficial town photographer. Now my services no longer appear to be needed. Bummer!

Do you like meeting all these travelers? After church last Sunday we grabbed a cup of joe at Cowboy Coffee before heading to Yellowstone. On the sidewalk were two college-age women sprawled on the ground next to their loaded touring bikes. Well, of course, I just had to chat with them. They are riding from San Francisco to New York this summer. We talked about cycling and touring and I shared some of our story. Because, I know, the best part of traveling is the local people along the way. They loved Jackson! And they hadn’t even seen the mountains yet!

What I am enjoying most about living in a tourist town is how much other people enjoy what we see and experience every day. Yes, they sometimes get too close to wildlife. Yes, the square is a jumbled mess. Yes, the traffic at Buffalo Junction reminds me of Seattle at quitting time. But I love how the idea of the old west makes people smile and dream. And I like seeing families licking ice cream cones and laying on the grass in the square. Most of all it is just plain interesting to meet people from all over and simply let them know this amazing place we get to live is for them too, even for just a short visit.

Most days, now that the snow is almost gone, we see visitors atop Teton Pass gathering for photos before the sign that says, “Howdy Stranger: Yonder is Jackson Hole, Last of the Old West.” Way down below in our valley and it is indeed spectacular. Did you know that those signs first were put in place in the 1930’s? Local artists and craftsmen came together to make the signs as a way of welcoming people to the valley. Even Harry Clissold, the Mayor of Jackson at the time, put on chaps, a cowboy hat, boots and spurs and posed for the cowboy figure who points toward Jackson Hole.

The Bible encourages us to have a welcoming heart and voice toward those who have made the trek to clomp along our sidewalks and gaze at the beauty of this place. “*Don't forget to show hospitality to strangers, for some who have done this have entertained angels without realizing it!*” (Hebrews 13:2) The apostle Paul went so far as to say, “*Practice hospitality*” (Romans 12:13). We certainly have many opportunities for that!

Summer is here and so are all those minivans and RVs of strangers. Time to hone our photo skills (for those without a selfie pole), to take a moment to give directions, share where we often see elk, reveal our favorite eatery, make a new friend, see our valley through the eyes of another and maybe entertain angels without realizing it. Bring ‘em on! I might even wear cowboy boots. You?

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