

# PEACEMAKING OFFERING October 2nd and 9th, 2016



There are four Special Offerings of the Presbyterian Church (USA); the Peacemaking Offering is one of those four. It supports the peacemaking efforts of the Church at every level, and provides an opportunity to witness to God's Peace giving in the world. We are called to be agents of reconciliation for individuals, for families and for communities, as well as in the international arena. We are called to do what we individually and collectively can do to build a culture of peace in the world.

Each congregation is encouraged to keep 25% of this offering for its own peacemaking efforts ... 25% will be used to support Presbytery and Synod peacemaking, and 50% will be forwarded to the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program of the General Assembly (the national level of PC(USA). You may visit www.pcusa.org to learn more.

We, who enjoy so much peace in our lives compared to most of the rest of the world, have an opportunity with this offering to share some of our good fortune with so many others in need. We hope you will wish to participate! You may use the Peacemaking envelopes from the display or your Bulletin on Sunday, October 11th.



October 15th is our Annual Fine Furniture Sale at PCJH. We are now collecting items for the sale.

Please let us know if we can pick up any items from your home by calling Tiffany Tate at 307-690-6189.

If you can be part of our Fine Furniture Team for preparation or day of, please email Tiffany Tate at <a href="mailto:tiffanytate1@gmail.com">tiffanytate1@gmail.com</a> It is not only a wonderful spirit of fellowship and teamwork but also a fundraiser for the ministry work at our church. Furniture; Lamps; Art; Rugs; and Home Decor are all thankfully accepted.



# Nourishments of Mercy - Bible Study

Blessed are those who show mercy to others.
Please join us for this community wide 6 week women's Bible Study.

We will come together to hear live teaching on how important it is to receive God's mercy in our lives and to extend mercy to others. We will also be offering a time of fellowship and connection within small groups.

When: Time-9:30-11:30 on
Wednesday mornings
Dates- September 21- October
26, 2016
Where: Presbyterian Church.
1251 South Park Loop Road
There is no charge and
child care will be provided for
children 5 and under.
Please RSVP so we can save
a spot for you at 734-2545
Or email Nancy Erwin at
nancyclay@gmail.com

#### A WORD FROM PASTOR BEN PASCAL

# Every Member a Minister

Dear PCJH Family,

Engage. You will hear this word a lot at PCJH over the next nine months. The definition of engage is: to pledge; to promise; to draw into; to involve oneself or become occupied; to become engrossed; to participate. My prayer is that you will be challenged and encouraged to engage with God and others in the name of Jesus. In so doing, my hope is that we will all gather around the knowledge of God's love for all people, that we will grow as disciples of Jesus, and that we will go out into our community as people on a mission to give the world a glimpse of the kingdom of God.

Engage is a church curriculum that was developed by the Presbyterian Church (USA) evangelism department. It is wonderful and thought provoking material! Here's an excerpt from the introduction of the Engage curriculum to give you a better idea of what it is all about...

It should be easier than telling someone about your favorite television program. It should be easier than sharing your enthusiasm for a particular team. It should be easier than sending a Facebook "like" message. It certainly is more important and invites others into a life-changing experience. Telling another person about God's love in Jesus Christ and the difference that has made in your life should be the easiest thing of all.

But most of us have not found this to be easy. We worry about what to say. We wonder how our words will be received. We are uncomfortable talking about ourselves. We are concerned about intruding into another's space. And we certainly don't want to sound judgmental.

Yet, what could be more rewarding than guiding someone else to the abundant life of grace and love that we have come to know in Jesus Christ? What could be more significant than leading someone to the source of life's meaning and purpose? What could be more joyful than to welcome someone into the body of Christ, the community of faith? What could be more fulfilling than to cooperate with God's healing, reconciling, and redemptive work?

The resources "Engage the Gospel; Engage in Discipleship; and Engage in Mission" have been created to make sharing the good news of Jesus Christ just a bit easier. Putting in a good word for Jesus, especially among people needing to hear that word, is never easy. But joining together to share our faith openly, to enlarge our understanding, to connect our stories with God's redemptive story, to practice various approaches, and to encourage and pray for one another will make our call to be an evangelist easier.

Yes, you are called to be an evangelist! You are called to share your faith in Jesus Christ and to serve others in his name. You are called to embody and proclaim love in the midst of fear, life in the midst of death, and hope in the midst of despair. You are called to share a passion for the ongoing ministry of Jesus Christ. This may not be the easiest thing you have been called to do but it is by far the most rewarding. Grace and peace to you!

Wow!! What a wonderful vision for this coming year! I know many of you don't think of yourselves as evangelists, but you are. The words you say and the way you live are a witness to God's love in Jesus Christ... whether good or bad, whether you like it or not... you are an evangelist!

On Sunday, September 25th, we embarked on a seven week sermon series entitled Engage the Gospel. We will be focusing on the good news of God's love for all people and how it transforms our lives. I will be preaching on this topic on Sunday mornings during worship and Pastor Tammy will be leading a class on this topic on Wednesday nights at 7:00pm immediately following our community dinner. We have participant guides available that you can pick up in the church office if you would like to make it part of your weekly devotions and do some self reflection at home. I am excited to see how the Lord will lead us as we focus on engaging with our God and others in the name of Jesus.

During the winter we will do a study entitled Engage in Discipleship. We will take a deeper look at engaging with our Lord not as passive believers, but as engaged and active disciples.

During the spring we will do a study entitled Engage in Mission. We will take a deeper look at engaging with our Lord in mission to our local community and world. We will be challenged to continue to go beyond the walls of the church with the message of hope and grace in Jesus Christ.

The Engage curriculum teaches the heart and art of Jesus' ministry to a world in great need. Will you be intentional and engage with God and others this year through the ministry and mission of the Presbyterian Church of Jackson Hole? I sure hope so. It is going to be a fun adventure to see how and where God leads us as we engage in the gospel, discipleship and mission.

On the journey with you,

Pastor Ben

#### A WORD FROM ASSOCIATE PASTOR TAMMY LETTS

Dear Friends of PCJH.

First and foremost, I wish to express my deepest appreciation and gratitude for the warm welcome I've received since arriving in Jackson. I am truly humbled and blessed by the outpouring of gifts, cards, meals and so many demonstrations of kindness and thoughtfulness. The new manse is lovelier than I could ever dreamed. Your graciousness has really touched me. Thank you all most sincerely.

Moving into a new community can be so exciting and hopeful. There is great anticipation for new beginnings and new friends. It's a time for positive change and opened opportunities. At the same time, moving, like any change, can also be disruptive and overwhelming. Change brings loss: loss of the familiar, or loss of expectations. As I look at the many boxes surrounding me, I experience both: the loss of what was and the hope of what is to come. I believe we all experience these realities throughout our lives. Sometimes change is wanted and some changes are unwanted. Regardless, change is a dynamic force requiring us to reflect on where our priorities and anchors lie.

In The Message, Eugene Peterson paraphrases John 1:14 by describing Jesus' incarnation as the following, "The Word became flesh and blood, and moved into the neighborhood." I love that image! Jesus left that which was familiar (the heavenly realm) and entered into our time and space - became one of us. And as a result of that Move, our lives are changed.... forever.

This fall, Pastor Ben and I will be exploring different scriptures, thoughts and ideas about how we all are called to "move into our neighborhood" and engage others with this great news. It will be a time for us to welcome the change God desires to bring in us and through us to move into our community bringing hope, grace, leadership, and new beginnings. Part of my new responsibilities here at PCJH include the ministry of Christian education and spiritual formation. All spiritual formation, regardless of age or life circumstance, begins with God encountering us - God moving toward us - transforming us in the likeness of Christ. Therefore, from the anchor of God's amazing love, we are then free to move toward others with that same grace and love. Serving our children as a Sunday school teacher or reaching our students as youth staff are just a couple of examples of how we engage others with the good news.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve and partner with you as we get "moving". Thank you for the blessing of being a part of this church family and welcoming me in your midst. And I thank the Lord for what God will continue to do in this place, bringing about the changes God desires. Can't wait to unpack and see what happens!

Rev. Tamara Letts

**CYF MINISTRIES** - Hello all, Conner Morton (the new intern) here with an incredible opportunity. It has been my pleasure to work alongside our incredible staff and our amazing volunteers for the last few weeks in preparation for the upcoming launch of some of the most important ministries a church can provide. It has been an absolute joy to see people ministering in an intergenerational way and passing on the faith, and I wanted to extend an invitation to all of you, an invitation to come and see what God is doing in the hearts and minds of the children and youth. Our ministries are open, and I would greatly appreciate it if you would dedicate time to prayer and reading to determine Gods calling on your life and see if He is leading you to share in the joy of youth ministry alongside me. Any questions or the like, give me a call at 217-474-6209, or email at cmorton@pcjh.org.

## **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CORNER**

NURSERY NEWS: Our littlest church members would love extra caregivers on Sunday mornings in the nursery, especially at the 8:00am service. If you are interested in helping with children ages 0-3, we'd love to talk to you. Please contact Darla Jackson at darlajackson@gmail.com for more information.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND JOIN THE TEAM! Each Sunday morning, PCJH offers a wonderful experience for children ages 4 – middle school age students during the Sunday school hour. Each week dedicated people take just an hour or so from their week to assist in teaching to over 30 young people and that number is growing! What a joy seeing how they grow in both faith and knowledge - and you can be a part of it. Our commitment to providing an excellent Sunday experience is inextricably linked to the number of teachers and leaders. As of today, we have noteworthy vacancies for teachers in each age group. Our children deserve our best efforts. We are seeking people who will take at least one Sunday a month to teach/lead a class. All curriculum, supplies and resources are provided. It's an incredible opportunity to see what God is doing in the hearts and minds of the children and our congregation. I look forward to serving together with you. For more information, contact me, Conner Morton, the Christian Education intern at cmorton@pcjh.org or 307-734-0388, ext. 124.

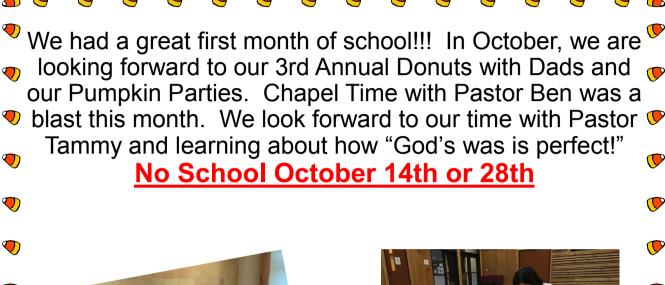
ATTENTION MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS! We are off and running with youth group! Come join us Sunday mornings during the 10:15 service time for a great time of fun, friends, and cool discussions. Then, also on Sundays, at 4:30pm, in the PCJH gym, the MS youth group starts with crazy games, rockin' music, and total awesomeness. Watch for new special events and camps coming soon that you won't want to miss. Contact Conner for more info at cmorton@pcjh.org. If interested in being an adult leader for the MS youth group, (which would be more than welcomed), please feel free to contact Conner Morton or Tammy Letts.

### ADULT EDUCATION CONTINUES ...

Sunday Mornings: Feel free to join us at 9:00am in the Genesis Room for an in-depth look at the book of Acts. You'll enjoy rich learning and lively discussions. All are welcome. Childcare provided. Instructor: Rev. Tammy Letts.

Wednesday Evenings:

5:15PM - Gather together to reflect and discuss the upcoming Sunday's scripture and topic. Instructor: Rev. Ben Pascal 7:00PM – "Engage the Gospel" – a small group study on how our faith can impact others in our community in new and dynamic ways. Instructor: Rev. Tammy Letts.





# The Global Leadership Summit









Many thanks to our attendees and dedicated volunteers who played an integral part in the success of PCJH's 2nd annual Global Leadership Summit. A special thank you to Snake River Roasting Co. for donating coffee for the event and to our photographer, Tom Montgomery.

Join us for next year's Summit on August 10-11-17











# AGROS SERVICE TRIP

While the cold of winter seems to be a long time in the future, we all know that the next several months will fly by. The November Agros service trip will be a great opportunity for you to experience the tropical warmth of Nicaragua prior to the onset of winter. This trip is scheduled for **November 12<sup>th</sup> through the 20<sup>th</sup>**. If you are interested in becoming a member of this team please contact Bob Kopp at <a href="mailto:bkopp@waldenasset.com">bkopp@waldenasset.com</a> or (518) 527-2937.

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# October Anniversaries 2016

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October 1	William & Sharon Schoen	50 years
October 3	Ralph & Jeanne Hudelson	24 years
	Frank & Judy Scarborough	52 years
October 4	Steve & Sharon Fralin	13 years
October 7	Mitch & Angela Lewis	21 years
October 8	Brad & Barbara Andrews	22 years
October 13	Shawn & Katie Robertson	4 years
October 15	Brett & Gaylyn Frantz	22 years
October 17	Bill & Celia Dillion	35 years

# October Birthdays

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October 1	Louisa Sandvig
	Dana Smith
October 2	Cindy Weber
October 3	Marian Meyers
	Erin Rosenberg
October 5	Kent Nichols
October 7	Kae Brockermeyer
	Katie Mendenhall
	David Meyers
October 8	Susan Ordway
October 10	Darla Jackson
	Ann Stalker
October 12	Silver Jacobson
October 14	Mike Halpin
October 16	Nancy Brumsted
	Martha VanGenderen
October 17	Barb Andrews
	Teresa Nye
	Fred Walker
October 18	Sue Consolo-Murphy
	John Drew
October 21	Cindy Leinonen
October 22	Jordan Shive
October 23	Janice Skinner
October 31	Pete Forster

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

office@pcjh.org or 734-0388\*\*

# **GET TO KNOW US Church Staff**

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#### **Ruling Elders**

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

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

# <u>Deacons</u>

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

#### Co-chairs: Donna Barrett & Karen Brennan

Kenlyn Long	Michael Adams	Joanie Shipman
Barb Huhn	Yvonne Henze	Tena Webb
Jen Baki	Dylan Wade	Deb Keenan
Paula Jorgensen	Erin Rosenberg	Deb Kopp
Irene Lund	Julie Matzke	Kerry Murphy
Jennifer Wolf	Nancy Brumsted	Carol Poole
Jackie Montgomery	Sandra Zender	Julie Whitlock
Randy & Robyn Reedy		

# **Facilities**

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

# OCTOBER 2016

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Sat	8 8am Men's Discussion Group in PCJH Youth Lounge 1pm Upward BB Games	8am Men's Discussion Group in PCJH Youth Lounge FINE FURNITURE SALE in Sanctuary	22 8am Men's Discussion Group in PCJH Youth Lounge 1pm Upward BB Games	29 8am Men's Discussion Group in PCJH Youth Lounge 1pm Upward BB Games	
Fri	2	NO LITTLE LAMBS	21	28 NO LITTLE LAMBS	
Thu	6 12noon Men's Group @ JH Grocery Community Room 3pm JOY Affercare 6pm Upward Practice	13 12noon Men's Group @ JH Grocery Community Room 3pm JOY Affercare 6pm Upward Practice	20 12noon Men's Group @ JH Grocery Community Room 3pm JOY Affercare 6pm Upward Practice	27 12noon Men's Group @ JH Grocery Community Room 3pm JOY Affercare 6pm Upward Practice	
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The Mission of The Presbyterian Church of Jackson Hole is

# 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.

www.pcjh.org