

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Hope



WELCOME TO VISIONS WORSHIP!

December 10, 2017 - Second Sunday of Advent

PRAISE & WORSHIP

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

The Vollette Family

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 1:1-8

CHILDREN'S TIME

MESSAGE

"Prepare for Hope - Time to Get Going"

Rev. Dr. Edward Goode

OFFERING

SACRAMENTS OF THE LORD

CLOSING SONG

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

PASS THE PEACE of CHRIST

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of WYOMING - CONNECTING WITH GOD, EACH OTHER & THE WORLD

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VALLEY CONCERT SERIES - TODAY!

Today at 4 p.m. The Valley Concert Series presents its annual Music for Advent and Christmas concert. This features the award-winning Chancel Choir and soloists with our new organist, Connie Dare Golden, on organ and piano. This year we will have a brass quintet and percussion to accompany the choir, organ and congregation in a carol sing-along arranged by Derek Holman. We finish with the annual singing of "Night of Silence" by Daniel Kantor, with the choir surrounding the audience and humming "Silent Night".

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

ALL YOUTH are invited to participate in this year's Christmas Pageant Sunday evening, **December 17th**. We will practice on the following dates:
Today, December 10- 10:05 a.m.-10:55 a.m.
Saturday, December 16- 10:05a.m.-10:55 a.m.
Sunday, December 17- 10:05 a.m.-10:55 a.m.
Contact Adam Hayden if you wish to participate. 812-430-4464 or ahayden@pcwyoming.org

THE OTHER SIDE OF CHRISTMAS - TODAY

For our Adult Education discussions in December, Pastors Lisa and Ed will be looking at some of the lesser known stories of the birth of Jesus and some different ways we can look at them today and connect them to some of the things taking place in our country and world. **Sundays through Dec. 17th at 10 a.m.** in the Founders' Room. Please join us!

THE SHARING TREE

Thank you to everyone who gave to the Sharing Tree this year. We are happy to report that all of the gift tags were claimed and gifts purchased! What a blessing to those children in need!

"She reaches out to the poor, opening her hands to those in need. She is unafraid of winter's effect on her household, because all of them are warmly clothed." *Proverbs 31:20-21*

JOURNEYING THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS:

A BLUE CHRISTMAS LABYRINTH WALK

The Christmas and New Year holidays are considered to be a time of joy and festivity, and yet they can also be a time of sadness for those who have lost a loved one, a dream, a job, a home or have experienced other losses. Walking the labyrinth is an ancient tradition that offers time and space to pause for reflection and renewal. Join us on **Tuesday, December 12, at 7 p.m.** in the Great Room for a facilitated labyrinth walk with a focus on dealing with the grief that may come with the holiday season.

ADVENT DINNER - DEC 17th

Everyone's invited to an Advent Dinner in the Great Room on Sunday, **Dec. 17th, at 5:30 p.m.** We will eat together and hear from the PB&J Youth Orchestra. Then we will enjoy this year's Christmas Pageant in the Sanctuary! This event is FREE. Please invite a friend. :-)

NEW LISTENING ASSIST TECHNOLOGY

We have a new and improved listening assist system in the Sanctuary. Please let one of the Deacons know if you would like to try out the latest technology – we will get you fitted! Even if you use hearing assistance for everyday activities we will find the best match for you.

THE HEALING SPACE

We've added some new services:

Acupuncture - AromaTouch - BodyTalk - Brene Brown Workshops - Centering Prayer -
Chiropractic - Drumming - Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing - Emotional Freedom Technique - Enneagram - Holistic Nursing -
Integrative Nutrition - Hypnosis - Kundalini Yoga -
Massage - Meditation - Mental Health Counseling - Reiki - Soul Collage - Spiritual Direction - Thai Yoga Bodywork - Yoga - Yoga Therapy
Contact us at: 513-832-0686,
www.thehealingspace.org

A GREAT CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEA!

Trying to figure out what to get a friend or loved one for Christmas? Consider giving the gift of retreat and renewal. Gift Certificates for \$95 for the PCW 2018 Women’s Retreat are located in the Gathering Area. This Gift Certificate covers the entire cost of the event, lodging and meals for the weekend. The retreat will take place at the Sisters of Charity Motherhouse (20 minutes away from PCW) on January 26-28, 2018. Over the three days we hope to be renewed by the Holy Spirit through individual and group experiences. Pastor Lisa will facilitate the retreat time with others, offering a variety of opportunities for rest and renewal. Pick a certificate up today and cross it off your list!

HOLIDAY SERVICES SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 24th

Fourth Sunday of Advent - 10 a.m. Single unified service in the Sanctuary - Lessons and Carols.

Christmas Eve Services - 5:30 p.m. in the Great Room, and 11 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Sunday, December 31st

Single unified service - 10 a.m. in the Great Room.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Merrill Lynch has a new DTC # used in stock transfers to the church: **8862**. Please notify your financial advisers about this change at Merrill Lynch if you plan to transfer stock to the church in the future. Thank you.

A NEW SPACE FOR OUR KIDS

Come over to the extended Gathering Area and check out our new space for kids!

LAST CHANCE!



Christmas Poinsettias

Please send your order with a check to the church no later than Mon., Dec. 11th. Make checks payable to: PCW Designate "Flower Fund Christmas"

I wish to order _____ red poinsettias, \$14/plant.

I wish to order _____ white poinsettias, \$14/plant.

Name for bulletin _____

I will pick up my order after the 11:00 p.m. Candlelight Worship Service, Dec. 24th.

Please deliver my order to shut-ins.

Recipient's Name _____

Recipient's Name _____

Address _____

Address _____

The flowers today are given by Doug and Joyce Hutchens in loving memory of their parents David and Mary Hutchens, James and Lois Herbst and brother, Larry Hutchens.

FOR PRAYER

PRAISE!!

**Thank you to PCW for your hospitality,
from the Wyoming Woman's Club**

THIS WEEK

Prayers for all affected by the fires in California

Officers - **Jim Falkenstine**, Elder

Victoria Lentz, Deacon

Church Staff - **Debi Haines**

CANCER

Missy - cancer treatment, Dee Dee Uhle's cousin
Debbie Matthews - breast cancer, friend of Scott
and Sue Ellis

Paul Wilbur - cancer treatment, son of Irv Wilbur

Katie Tharp - 18-year-old, successful treatment

Jackie Foster - blood cancer, Tom Haines' mother

Cindy Robinson - special prayers

Susan Osha - successful treatment

Cynthia Towne - brain tumor treatment

CONTINUED PRAYER

Larry Kleem and his wife Linda - heart issues

Jack and Charlie Henkel, twin nephews of
Ed & Amy - currently in NICU

Baby Hope - successful heart transplant,
friend of Amber Cartwright

Denise Ann Costello-Hooks - a visitor asking
for prayers

Jean Parker - brain tumor

Lorelle Lentz - Recovery after a fall

Barbara Gottling - improved health

Steve & Melinda Greene - healing and spiritual
help

Brian Bonner - Chemo finished, recovery

Shawn - stroke, a friend of John Stickney

Joanne Mayfield-Williams - prayers of healing,
friend of Cheryl Albrecht

Axel - 2-year-old, friend of Jeff Van Fossen

Sara - Lisa Sasson's daughter, diagnosed
with a disease affecting her hip

Doug Hutchens - eye problems

Joyce Leifheit - waiting for a new kidney

William Haines - chronic pain

Toby Mittelstetter - Bill Seale's cousin

Helen Anderson - Bodmann

Paul Bartel - improved health

Our Missionaries - Benadums and Myhres

**Prayers for those who struggle during
the holidays**

Prayers for all with ongoing situations

REMEMBERING

Bob Strom - Please remember the family and
friends of Bob. A memorial service was
held on December 9th.

Michael Boyatt - Michael was a former member
of PCW. Please lift his family and friends
in prayer.

PRAYER SCRIPTURES

Psalm 23:4

*Even though I walk through the darkest
valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me;
your rod and your staff - they comfort me.*

Psalm 46:1

*God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.*

John 14:27

*Peace I leave with you; my peace I give
to you. I do not give to you as the world
gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled,
and do not let them be afraid.*