

THE PULSE



PENINSULA COMMUNITY CHURCH'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS

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LOOKING AT 2011 AT PCC



by Pastor Jim

We have turned the pages of the calendar one more time.

Technically, with the tick of the clock, the second decade of this new millennium has begun. That means that this is a great time to sit back and take stock of where we are and where we are headed. That's what January at Peninsula is all about.

This year, we'll break up this time of reflection and vision casting into three Sundays. Here's the plan:

STATE OF THE CHURCH MESSAGE Sunday, January 9

Pastor Jim will preach his annual vision/purpose message. This year we'll take an honest look at where we are together and see where God is leading.

BUDGET REVIEW

Sunday, January 23 at 4 pm

Take an in-depth look at the 2011

Budget and get your questions answered in the choir room.

ANNUAL FAMILY LIFE MEETING Sunday, January 30 at 5 pm

We'll have dinner together in the Fellowship Hall, then move on over to the Worship Center for our official time together as a congregation. Make sure to sign up on the *Connect* to let us know you'll be coming – and then, we'll see you there!

Please be in prayer for each of these special moments together. We work hard to make them encouraging, unifying events – where we can share lovingly and honestly together. Our God is good and we have no other choice than to worship Him. It'll be a great January!



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JOURNEY CLASSES BEGIN THIS MONTH

by Pastor Jim

Who can keep up with the progress? Not me! As I write, two-thirds of the concrete has been poured down in The Pit. And while part of the concrete is drying, the walls for the new restrooms are going up on the other side. Amazing! Thank you so much for your sacrificial giving which has enabled such speedy progress. Here is the roadmap as we move forward.

The new restrooms will be completed (we already have the toilets, sinks, and supplies on site). The crews will build storage shelves in the brand spanking new storeroom and then move the current items from east to west. Then the prep work will be done for water drainage issues on that last third (east end) and rebar put down and the final concrete pour (estimated time for the pour is mid-January).

While all of that is going on, we are making our way through the City planning process for the occupied spaces down there. As that moves forward, we'll come up with the final plan for heating and air conditioning, electrical, sound, and windows – and we'll be able to have most of those jobs done before the permit is granted (about five months from now). So there won't be all that much to do once the permit is obtained.

So we are moving forward at a frenetic pace. Thanks for giving. Thanks for praying. Thanks for checking the view from the cross hall. Pretty soon, we'll board up the access and wait for the big reveal/dedication. I can't wait.



On Sunday, January 16, we will begin the next round of Journey classes. We encourage all of you to be in prayer and to support this strategic evangelism effort under the direction of Mike Potier and the journey guides.


Before the Cross will meet at 9 am for eight weeks in the choir room. This class is for non-Christians who are seekers and for brand new Christians seeking to solidify their newfound faith in Christ. Every one of us knows someone we can invite to be part of this class.

Beyond the Cross will meet at 9 am for eight weeks in the conference room. This

class is for Christians who are ready to take the next step in being disciples of Christ. If you have never taken this class, we urge you to consider it in your schedule for the new year.


Because the Cross will meet at 10:30 am for 8 weeks in the conference room. This class is for Christians who are ready to find their place in ministry as they seek to follow Christ in obedience to His calling in their lives. This is also a great class for any of you who are already Christians.

For more information, contact Pastor Ken at ken@pccpv.org or 310 377 4661 xt. 12.



COMING MARCH 20...

GRILL-OFF AND BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT,
 BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE STUDENT-
 LED POVERTY AWARENESS
 COMMITTEE (PVAC).



IN THE BEGINNING...



by Pastor Jim

On Christmas Eve 1968, the three astronauts of Apollo 8 circled the dark side of the moon and headed for home. As their tiny capsule floated through space, they saw the glistening blue and white hues of earth slowly fill their window. In that moment, what do you think those men did? Did they quote Einstein or Shakespeare

or Darwin? No, they did not. Only one thing could capture the magnificence of that moment. Billions of people around the world heard the voice from space begin to read: "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." The astronauts read Genesis 1:1 to a worldwide audience. In that moment, no other words would do.

The stakes are very high, indeed. Say what you want about Genesis 1-11, but sooner or later you have to deal with that portion of Scripture. This is where the Bible begins so we can't escape it or ignore it or pretend it isn't there.

And it seems to me that now is the time. Time to listen to Genesis. Time to listen to the beginning of the story. Time to go back to the very beginning of revelation. The first 11 chapters of this fascinating book will harness our attention as we seek lessons for life today in a story as ancient as our planet itself. But what I am confident we will discover is that these chapters are as relevant today as they were to the nation, camped alongside the Jordan River waiting to enter the land.

The story has not changed. People have not changed. So let's listen to God speak to us through His servant Moses. We'll begin Sunday, January 16, 2011.



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES AVAILABLE

If you are part of our church family and are not currently attending an adult Sunday school class, we'd like you to consider the options available to you in this new year.

We have two classes meeting during the 8:45 hour and two meeting at the 10:30 hour.

At 8:45, there is a class for those of you who enjoy in-depth study in biblical topics. This class is led by Dr. Bob Easton and is currently in a study of the Feasts of Israel from the Old Testament. The class meets on the second floor of the educational building in Room E-21.

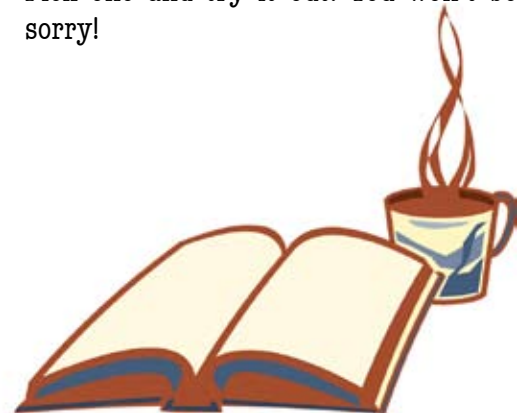
Also at 8:45, a class for young to middle-aged couples and singles meets in the Education Building on the second floor. This class is taught by one of our elders, John Klobuchar and is an exciting class where relationships are built and the Word of God is studied.

At 10:30, Roger Miller teaches a class for adults in the church lounge. Currently, this class is engaged in a study of the Book of Revelation. Roger always is ready to welcome newcomers, and you can easily find a home there.

Also at 10:30, Ken Garland teaches a class in the choir room. Ken is currently in a

study of the Kingdom of God. This class is an exciting mix of relationship building and Bible study sure to encourage you in your Christian walk.

Pick one and try it out. You won't be sorry!



PRIME TIMERS IN NEW YEAR



Disney Concert Hall

by Pastor Ken

On Thursday, February 3, we plan a tour of the Disney Concert Hall in downtown Los Angeles with lunch at a nearby restaurant. More details will be e-mailed to everyone on our email list. If you are not getting Prime Timer e-mails and would like to, give your e-mail address to the church office or Pastor Ken and mark it "Prime Timers."

Our first hymn sing of the year will be on Sunday, February 13 in the choir room. Would love to have all of you join us to start the new year worshipping together.

Women's Bible Studies Winter 2011

SUNDAY MORNINGS

"In the Dust of the Rabbi" by Ray Vander Laan
9-10:15 am in the Lounge beginning January 23

TUESDAY MORNINGS

Foundations by Kay Warren and Tom Holladay
10 am-Noon in the Lounge resumes January 4

WEDNESDAY MORNINGS

"Self-Confrontation and In-Depth Discipleship"
10 am-Noon beginning January 5 in the Lounge

THURSDAY MORNINGS

"In the Dust of the Rabbi" by Ray Vander Laan
10am-Noon in the Lounge beginning January 13

To help us order books, please check the *Connect* on Sunday. For more information on any of these studies, contact Joei Sheckman at 310 375 5254 or joeiandles@verizon.net

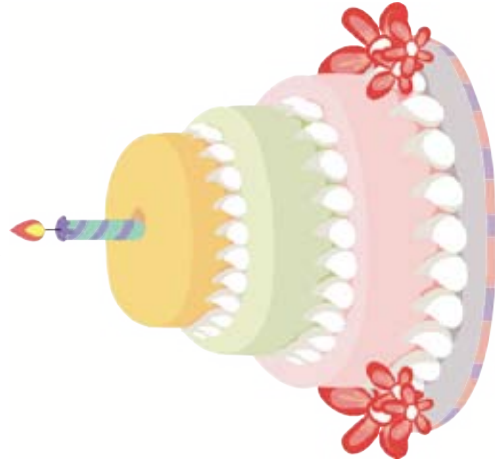


**WE STILL HAVE
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CHURCH DIRECTORIES
AVAILABLE. IF YOU'D
LIKE A COPY, PICK ONE
UP SUNDAY MORNING
AT THE WELCOME
CART.**

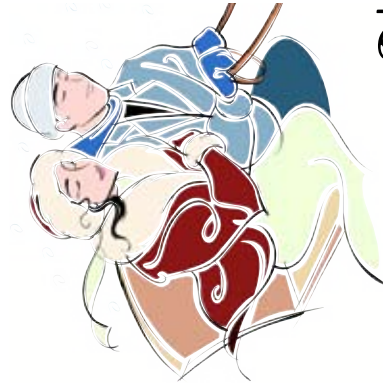
Want to pray for the needs of your church family and friends? Sign up on the *Connect* on Sunday or contact the church office, and we will add you to the prayer chain list.



- 1 Jim Maier
- 2 Rocco Medawar
- 3 Shirley Lie
- 6 Tom Tuttle
- 7 Dorrine Nay
- 8 Nikki Greenup
- 9 Kimberly An
- 10 Makenzie Gomez
- 11 Mildred House
- 12 Darryl Snider
- 13 Jim Cutting
- 14 Paris Sommerfeld
- 15 Brenda Pearson
- 16 Dolores Armstrong
- 17 Christina Jaramillo
- 18 Linda Greenlund
- 19 Bill Rogers
- 20 Samantha Kim
- 21 Michel Medawar
- 22 Joanna Nacheff
- 23 Benjamin Konrad
- 24 Louella Bricker
- 25 Marryl Cahill
- 26 Barby Scales
- 27 Noah Klobuchar
- 28 Joe DeVenuto
- 29 Hani Nacheff
- 30 John Eugene
- 31 Sheryl Medawar



January 2011 Birthdays



- 4 Rob & Kristen Sherwin
- 14 Woody & Doris Stolhand
- 15 Toshio & Keiko Takahashi
- 22 John & Karyl Eugene
- 25 Bob & Daphne Easton

January 2011 Anniversaries

ANNUAL FAMILY LIFE MEETING

Sunday, January 30
5 pm

We'll have dinner together in the Fellowship Hall, then move on over to the Worship Center for our official time together as a congregation.

We're having a chili potluck this year. If you'd like to bring some chili, sign up on Sunday or contact the church office.

Dinner is \$3/per person



Peninsula Community Church



8:45 & 10:30 AM
Children's Classes
Youth Bible Classes
Adult Bible Classes
Nursery

8:45 & 10:30 AM
Worship
Children's Church
Nursery

Come early, stay late - Coffee on the "patio" at 10:00 am

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." **Galatians 6:9**

JANUARY 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>26 10:30 AM Sunday School & Worship Service</p>	<p>27 Office Closed</p>	<p>28 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast</p>	<p>29 6:30 PM Breakout</p>	<p>30 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>31 Office Closed</p>	<p>1 New Year's Day</p>
<p>2 10:30 AM Sunday School & Worship Service</p>	<p>3 9:30 AM PCCA Co-op 7:00 PM Beacon Light Chapel Service</p>	<p>4 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 10:00 AM ABC Cafe Workday 10:00 AM Foundations Class</p>	<p>5 10:00 AM Self Confrontation Class 5:30 PM Journey Guide Meeting 6:30 PM Adult Bible Study</p>	<p>6 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 12:30 PM Prime Timers Potluck</p>	<p>7 7:00 PM College/Career</p> 	<p>8</p>
<p>9 8:45 AM Sunday School & Worship Service 10:30 AM Sunday School & Worship Service</p>	<p>10 9:30 AM PCCA Co-op</p>	<p>11 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 10:00 AM Foundations Class 7:00 PM Elder Meeting</p>	<p>12 10:00 AM Self Confrontation Class 6:30 PM Adult Bible Study 6:30 PM Breakout 6:30 PM Refuge</p>	<p>13 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>14 7:00 PM College/Career</p>	<p>15</p>
<p>16 8:45 AM Sunday School & Worship Service 9:00 AM Journey Classes 10:30 AM Sunday School & Worship Service 4:30 PM Refuge Go-Kart World Night</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 10:00 AM Foundations Class 10:00 AM White Cross</p>	<p>19 10:00 AM Self Confrontation Class 6:30 PM Adult Bible Study 6:30 PM Breakout 6:30 PM Refuge</p>	<p>20 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>21 7:00 PM College/Career</p>	<p>22</p>
<p>23 8:45 AM Sunday School & Worship Service 9:00 AM Journey Classes 10:30 AM Sunday School & Worship Service 4:00 PM Church Budget Review Meeting</p>	<p>24 9:30 AM PCCA Co-op</p>	<p>25 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 10:00 AM Foundations Class 7:00 PM Elder Meeting</p>	<p>26 10:00 AM Self Confrontation Class 6:30 PM Adult Bible Study 6:30 PM Breakout 6:30 PM Refuge</p>	<p>27 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>28 7:00 PM College/Career</p>	<p>29</p>
<p>30  8:45 AM Sunday School & Worship Service 9:00 AM Journey Classes 10:30 AM Sunday School & Worship Service 2:00 PM Lomita Care Center Sunday Service 5:00 PM Annual Family Life Dinner & Meeting</p>	<p>31 9:30 AM PCCA Co-op</p>	<p>1 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 10:00 AM ABC Cafe Workday 10:00 AM Foundations Class</p>	<p>2 10:00 AM Self Confrontation Class 6:30 PM Adult Bible Study 6:30 PM Breakout 6:30 PM Refuge</p>	<p>3 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 11:00 AM Prime Timers Trip to Disney Concert Hall</p>	<p>4 7:00 PM College/Career</p>	<p>5</p>

CHILDREN SERVE

by Pastor Bruce

“I didn’t come to be served, but to serve and give my life as a ransom for many.”

Are you thinking this is going to be about serving in children’s ministry? An attempt to guilt you in to serving? Nope. I wanted to tell you about a couple of very special children who without really thinking about it serve others and do so with gladness!

Kareese Akinloba is a talented 4th grader. Her thirst for God is clearly evident and contagious. She always pays attention, wants to learn as much as possible, asks great questions and thinks hard about her faith. She is willing to serve wherever she can and is always asking,

“How can I help?” Kareese serves as a member of our Breakout worship team where she sings and leads in motions as we sing. It is a blessing to see her on stage as a wonderful example of childlike worship.

Diana McGregor is a wonderful 5th grader. I am amazed at Diana’s desire to learn, her attention to detail and grasp of the knowledge of God and His kingdom. Diana serves by being a friend to everyone. Some kids can be controlling of the kids around them, but not Diana. Her smile and love reach out to everyone around her.

Thank you God for Kareese and Diana and for so many others like them!



PRAXIS WINTER CAMP!

We are returning to Forest Home with our high school students on Feb 25-27! Students may sign up at Praxis or with Pastor Jeff. Forms and complete information can be found on the website under the Praxis events page. But spots are on a first come, first served basis, so don’t delay in signing your students up for this great retreat!

PRAXIS

Praxis resumes meeting every Tuesday night on Jan 4 from 7 – 8:45. We will be starting with a brand new series, The Big Picture, which will help our students understand how all the different parts of the Bible fit together.

REFUGE

Refuge will resume meeting every Wednesday night on Jan 5 from 6:30 – 8:15. We are going to start out 2011 focusing on some of the basic spiritual habits to grow and develop spiritually.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Sunday, 5/22

Praxis baccalaureate

Sun, 6/26 – Fri, 7/1

Refuge summer camp

Fri, 8/19 – Mon, 8/22

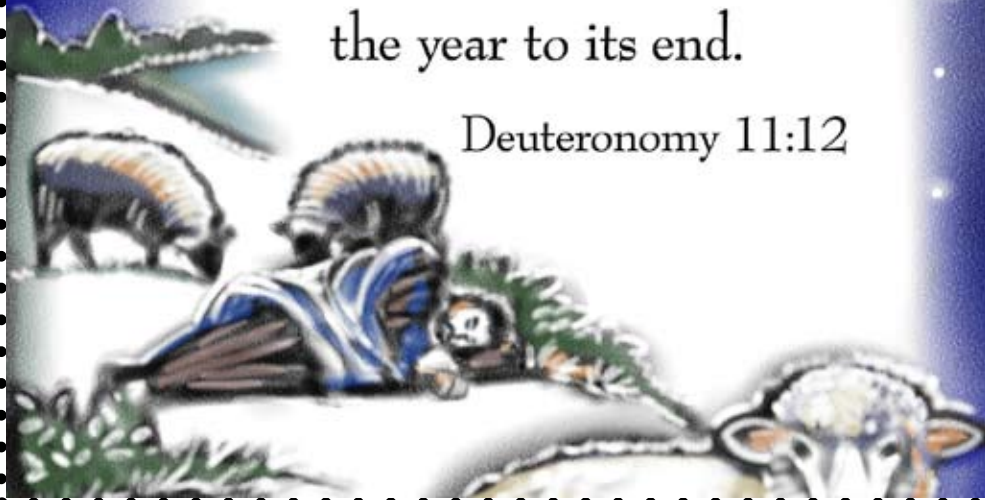
Praxis summer camp



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It is a land the LORD your
God cares for; the eyes of the
LORD your God are continually
on it from the beginning of
the year to its end.

Deuteronomy 11:12



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