

December 21, 2014

More get connected opportunities:

Affinity Groups

Women:

Health and Wholeness. Are you ready to revolutionize your health once and for all? Ready to escape the vicious cycle of defeat and feel good? The Daniel Plan, Sundays 6pm. \$20.50 for materials. Cindy Bautch, cindy@pvwinona.com.

Knitting at Yarnology, 65 East 3rd St, Tuesdays, 1:30pm, Cheri Looman, calooman@gmail.com

Men:

God's Great Outdoors (G.G.O.) Enjoy hunting and fishing with other guys? Contact Lou George, georgelou@msn.com.



Celebrate Recovery

A safe place every Friday, dinner at 6pm. Participants support and encourage one another on the road to Christ centered recovery from hurts, habits or hang-ups. Evening includes worship, message, and small groups. Joe McConkey, 452.5518; joe@pvwinona.com.

Divorce Care

For those contemplating divorce, currently experiencing the heartache, or still struggling. Watch the Bulletin and PVC Happenings for more information.



Starting Point: Being a Disciple is a 1-on-1 study for adults who want to begin growing in their relationship with Christ. Meeting times are based on participants' schedules. If you'd like to go through the material, or take someone through, contact Pastor Joe, joe@pvwinona.com.

Learning Communities:

Becoming Irresistible Learning Community (LC) - A 6-week class will be held on Wednesdays at 6:30pm beginning January 21. Join others to learn about who we are in Christ, what it is we're called to be and do, and how to live a consistently victorious life as a Christ-follower. To register, contact Pastor Joe, joe@pvwinona.com.



Imagine the transformation that would happen in our families, church and community if we all took the time to do what God uniquely designed each of us to do to serve others. Whether you have lots of time to volunteer each week or only a few hours everyone once in awhile, consider making the kind of difference that only you can make. Contact the facilitator or visit pvwinona.com/Sunday-plus-one/get-going.

Kidz Zone (serving Preschool-Kindergarten) Holly Ekern, hekern@acegroup.cc
Kidz Zone (serving 1st-5th grade) Kirsten, kirsten@pvwinona.com
Middle School (serving grades 6-8) James, james@pvwinona.com
High School (serving grades 9-12) Brian, brian@pvwinona.com
Arts (music, drama, or set design) and Tech Ministry (sound, lights, video) Pastor Chad, chad@pvwinona.com
First Impressions: Parking - Bill Braun, bhbraun@hbci.com
Greeting - Tina Rosenau, rosenaufam6@yahoo.com
Ushering - Kevin Ewert, kevinjewert@gmail.com
Building & Grounds (cleaning, projects, grounds, hospitality) - Michael, michael@pvwinona.com



I Love My Church video - The sermon series in January is entitled "I Love My Church." A promotional video will be made for the series. If you'd like to share why you love Pleasant Valley Church, in just 1 or 2 sentences, please plan to join others to be video-recorded after either Worship Celebration **TODAY in room 211**.

The Attic

Christmas Eve Celebrations - We will celebrate Christmas on Wednesday, December 24 with three identical, 1 hour celebrations at **3, 5 and 8pm**. Childcare will be provided for birth-33 months. If you are able, please park at the Middle School. The Trester Trolley will shuttle to and from the church.

Use the tickets provided in the bulletin to invite your friends and neighbors to The Attic...a place to put things that won't fit anywhere else in your life. Old yearbooks, photographs, toys, baby clothes, love letters, a wedding dress, and Christmas decorations, all find a dusty home in our attic. Many hold beautiful memories... others, not so much. We prefer not to dig through those - some are best left tucked away and hidden. But, what if you chose to look again? What if you found something that would change everything? This Christmas, we invite you to climb the stairs to the attic. Look into the mystery and the beauty of God's timeless story... and find treasure once again.

We are seeking Greeters and Parking Attendants for the 5 and 8pm Christmas Eve Celebrations, contact Pastor Joe, joe@pvwinona.com.

The Church office will be closed Wednesday, December 24 - Friday, December 26, 2014.

Giving Tree - Birthright of Winona, a crisis pregnancy center, has a "Tree of Life" located in our Fellowship Area. Gift tags, identifying items for babies, are hanging on the tree. If you choose, please take a tag, purchase the item and put the unwrapped gift under the tree. Tree will be in place until December 30. Direct questions to Joyce Rocco at 452.4126 or jrocco@charter.net.

Attention Single Moms & Widows - As a gift to you from the church, certificates for a free oil change from Gordie's BP are available at the Information Center.

You're Invited - After more than 20 faithful and fruitful years as PVC's Senior Pastor, Rick Iglesias will be transitioning off of the staff on Jan 4, 2014. On Sunday, January 11, 6:30pm, we will say farewell and celebrate Rick's ministry at PVC. Plan to attend and wish the Iglesias family all the best as they begin a new chapter in their lives.

Deconstruction Team - The Christmas stage set will come down on Friday, January 2. If you can help, contact Michael, 458.8578.

Year-end giving - As we approach the end of 2014, please be aware that any offerings that are to be credited to 2014 must be hand delivered or post marked by December 31, 2014. Thank you for your generous giving!

2015 Offering Envelopes - If you are currently using envelopes, please find your 2015 envelopes in your PVC mailbox or on the shelf below the mailboxes. Use of envelopes is not necessary for accurate year-end reports. Giving by check or automatic giving are great alternatives.



Pleasant Valley Church is pursuing an initiative that will do three things that require sacrifice, commitment and financial resources:

Repurpose the facility (classroom remodeling, audio-visual-lighting (AVL) needs, and traffic flow), Retire existing debt, and Bless local ministries.

To date, \$2,088,824 of the goal of \$3.6 million has been pledged. If you have not partnered with PVC in this way, please consider understanding the need and stepping out in faith to be part of something great. A detailed booklet, devotional, and pledge cards are available on the brochure kiosk. From April through November \$361,482 has been given toward the Initiative. Phase 1 has been completed and we are pleased with the new AVL system! Praise God that we were able to purchase excellent gear for significantly less than the estimated cost. Watch for more information regarding Phase 2.

Membership - The Governance Board will vote on church membership for Jerry Fagerness, Colleen Fagerness, Mike Lemire, Tori Lemire, Paul Omdal, Christy Omdal, and Mary Anne McMillan Urell at an upcoming meeting. In accordance with our Constitution, any PVC member with reasons why their memberships should not be approved, contact Pastor Rick or Governance Board Chair, Andrew Olsen.

Governance Board Nominations - PVC members may suggest potential candidates for the 2015-2016 Governance Board up until January 14, 2015. Visit www.pvwinona.com to submit names (about us/governance board nominations). Candidates must be PVC members for three months prior to the March election.

CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRIES

The Baby/Toddler Zones (BTZ) are located in the hallway on our lower level. The Baby Zone welcomes birth through steady walkers. The Toddler Zone is for walkers through 33 months.

Kidz Zone Preschooler (age range 24-33 mos) through Kindergarten meet Sundays, 9 & 10:45am. Down the hallway on the first floor.

Kidz Zone Grades 1-5, Sundays at 9 & 10:45am. 1st-5th grade students enjoy worship, teaching and fun team challenges, plus small groups for talking points and prayer. Meet in room 203.

No Awana December 24 and 31. Class will resume January 7, 6pm, at the Peterson Middle School. Awana is a ministry for kids, grades K-6, that takes them through the Bible and shows them how it applies to everyday life. For more information email jprinsen99@gmail.com.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRIES

No Sunday Morning Live (SML) today & December 28. Class will resume January 4, 9am in room 206. 6th-8th graders are challenged to grow in their faith, plus enjoy games and donuts!

No "Oasis" December 24 & 31. Group will resume January 7 at 7pm. 6th-8th grade students enjoy worship, time in the Word, and a community-building fun time.

MSM and HSM Mall of America (MOA) Lock-In has been rescheduled for January 3-4. This Lock-In is in the amusement park area of the MOA. Students and leaders will leave PVC at 8:30pm and return Sunday at 5am. The cost is \$40, but the more friends they bring if the less they pay. Register on Sunday morning or Wednesday night or contact Brian or James. All participants must have a Medical Release/Permission form on file since May 1, 2014. Registration ends December 21.

HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRIES

No HSM Sunday Morning today and December 28. SML will resume January 4, 9am in room 210. 9th-12th grade students are challenged to grow in their faith, plus enjoy games and donuts!

No HSM Wednesdays December 24 & 31. Group will resume January 7 at 7pm. 9th-12th grade students enjoy worship, time in the Word, and a community-building fun time.

Life Groups (formerly known as DGroups) If you are interested in "moving forward in life together" with other HSM students, contact Pastor Brian, brian@pvwinona.com.

HSM "Stand Out" Retreat - February 6-8, 2015 at Camp Victory in Zumbro Falls, MN. Cost is \$60 if registered by December 14, \$80 after. Registration due by January 28, 2015. Sign up on Sunday morning or Wednesday night or contact Brian, brian@pvwinona.com.

COLLEGE MINISTRIES

No H2o Café over Christmas break. H2O will resume on Sunday, January 18, 9:15am in the Student Ministry Center (rm 209).

No Breathe (College Church) over Christmas break. Breathe will resume on Monday, January 12.

H2o Winter Conference: Refocus - February 6-8 at Camp Forest Springs. Register by January 14: \$135; January 15 - February 6: \$150. A non-refundable down payment of \$40 is due during the specified dates to receive that price.

Want to join a small group? Email h2o@pvwinona.com and let us know you are interested in joining a Village Group!

ADULT MINISTRIES

Financial Peace University (FPU), a 9-week class will be offered at PVC on Mondays from 6-7:30pm beginning January 26. We all need a plan for our money. FPU is that plan! Through video teaching, class discussions and interactive small group activities, FPU presents biblical, practical steps to get from where you are to where you've dreamed you could be. This plan will show you how to get rid of debt, manage your money, spend and save wisely, and much more! Broke is normal. Be weird! \$100 per kit (couples can share a kit). Scholarships are available. Childcare is also available.

Not sure if this is for you?

A free, 15 minute sample class is being offered! Choose the time that works best for you: Sunday, January 11 after either Worship Celebration OR Sunday, January 18 after either Worship Celebration. Group will meet in room 206/208. No registration needed for sample class.

To register, visit pvwinona.com, click on Sunday +1, then "get grounded," or may register at the sample class on January 11 or 18.

SUNDAY + ONE

Become Irresistible like Jesus

Whether you're new or a long-time attendee, we want PVC to be a place where you grow spiritually. Attending Sunday morning Worship Celebrations is a great place to start, but it simply is not enough. You can:



All groups meet in Winona unless otherwise listed. Contact the facilitator of the group, or visit pvwinona.com/sunday-plus-one/get-connected.

Mixed Adult:

Sundays (every other), 5:30pm, Tim & Cheryl Verbeke, 507.452.3012
 Sundays (every other), 6:30pm, Chuck & Stephanie Orr, stephanie_jorr@hotmail.com
 Mondays, 7:30pm, Paul & Nancy Winey, 608.323.7924, wineyfam@gmail.com, Arcadia, WI
 Tuesdays, 7pm, Owen Warneke & Todd Erickson, 507.454.7524, owenowa@hbci.com
 Tuesdays (every other), 7pm, Dave & Tammy Eastep, 507.689.0553, dteastep@gmail.com
 Tuesdays, 7:30pm, Gabe & Erica Ericksen, 262.424.7605, erica.ericksen@gmail.com (young adults)
 Wednesdays, 4pm, Coy Herr, 507.452.9252, jacoherr@hbci.com
 Wednesdays, 6:30pm, Matt Bollinger, 507.273.0701, mrb4686@aol.com (young families) Lewiston
 Thursdays, 9:30am, Allen Thompson 454.0363 (senior adults)
 Thursdays, beginning January 8, 1-3pm and 5:30-7:30pm. Precepts: Isaiah Part 2 - A 10-week study. In Isaiah 40-66 the Lord wanted to comfort His people with His words. After punishment for their sins, there will be a great restoration. Kathy Dickinson leads this inductive study. All are welcome to bring their meal to class. \$27 for materials if registered by Dec 30, \$32 after. To register, contact the office.

Men:

Mondays, 6:15am, Burdey's in Peterson, Ben Ekern, 507.864.3742, bekern@acegroup.cc
 Tuesdays, 7pm, Phil Huerta, 507.458.4381, huerta.phillip@gmail.com (young adult men)
 Tuesdays, 7pm, Wayne Dosier, 507.313.5338, wcdosier@hbci.com
 Wednesdays, 6:45am, Jeff Peterson, 507.454.7688, jgpeterston03@hotmail.com
 Saturdays, 7am, Owen Warneke, 507.454.7524, owenowa@hbci.com

College:

Village Groups various days and times, Kaisa Newville, kaisa@pvwinona.com

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