

March 13, 2016

VOLUNTEERING

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 every once in awhile, consider making the kind of difference that only you can make. Contact the facilitator listed.

Current serving opportunities include:

Kids' Church (serving Preschool-Kindergarten) kirsten@pvwinona.com
Kids' Church (serving 1st-4th grade) kirsten@pvwinona.com
Middle School (serving grades 5-8) james@pvwinona.com
High School (serving grades 9-12) brian@pvwinona.com
Tech Ministry (sound, lights, video) and Arts (music, drama, or set design) chad@pvwinona.com
First Impressions: Ushering - kevinjewert@gmail.com
Greeting - Joyce, jgulbrandsen@outlook.com
Parking - Bill Braun, bhbraun@hbc.com
Building & Grounds - cindy@pvwinona.com

OWNERSHIP

Will you MERGE (to become combined, united, swallowed up, or absorbed; lose identity by uniting or blending) with us at PV to join us as we glorify God by becoming alive in order to make disciples? We believe that as you MERGE with us, you will begin to understand the Gospel better, PV's DNA better, and how you can join us in achieving the vision that God has given to PV. Because the reality is, when we do this together, WE are BETTER because of it.

Meet the Zieskes - Informal time to meet the Senior Pastor and his family. Dessert and childcare are on us! Tonight, 6:30pm. Join us even if you didn't register.

Engage - We are Better Together! First step toward becoming an owner (formerly called membership) at PV. Sunday, April 3, 5-8pm. Dinner and childcare are on us! Registration begins next week.

Revolve - A 3 week Learning Community on how to Abide & Abound. Watch for the next opportunity.

Grow - 7 week series based on PV's values. Series is available online for groups or individuals to participate in anytime. Visit pvwinona.com/merge/grow

Empower - A 1 day Learning Community discovering your spiritual gifts, and how your life experiences have uniquely shaped you for Kingdom influence. At the end of this session, participants will be asked to discover what's next for them; that may be serving, volunteering, going on a mission trip, or interning. Next opportunity will be Saturday, April 23.

WAYS TO GIVE AT PLEASANT VALLEY:

Cash or Check: Place your check or cash in a secure giving box during any Sunday service. Contributions may also be sent to the PV office.

Automatic Giving: Fill out a green form from the brochure kiosk to consistently give weekly/monthly via checking or savings account. This is the most cost-effective method of automatic giving for the church.

Online Giving: Scan this QR code or visit pvwinona.com to set up an online account to give one-time or consistent weekly/monthly via credit card*, debit card, checking or savings account.

Text Giving: With your smartphone or device, text a dollar amount to 507.697.1988. You'll receive a text with a link. Tap the link, enter your information, and the credit* or debit card you'd like to use for all future gifts. Next time you're ready to give, text the dollar amount to the number above. (To give to Irresistible, include the code "II"; Benevolence, "BV"; or Missions, "MI") Example: text "\$50 II" if you want to give \$50 to Irresistible.

Stock Transfer: Please call the office for details, 507.452.5518.

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PLEASANT VALLEY CHURCH

Every generation, alive in Jesus.

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Worship Celebrations: Sundays at 8:30 & 10:30am



Easter Sunday - March 27, 8:30am and 10:30am. Programming for children, birth through grade four, is available during both worship services. Use the cards provided in the bulletin and share our Facebook ad to invite your friends and neighbors. Also, to provide the most convenient parking for guests, please park at the Middle School, if you are able. The Trester Trolley will shuttle you to and from the church.

2016 is the Year of Prayer! Visit pvwinona.com/prayer/ to read about how you can participate: a prayer calendar which includes a daily devotional, a prayer wall where you can submit your prayer requests, and a prayer events page where opportunities will be posted as they are scheduled.

Meet the Zieskes - Tonight, 6:30-8pm, PV. Enjoy dessert and a time to get to know Pastor Brandon and his family. Childcare will be available. Please join us even if you didn't sign up.

Hymn Sing - Tonight, 6pm, room 209. All are welcome!

Join us for any or all of the following Holy Thursday and Easter prayer opportunities:

Prayer Walk: Holy Thursday, March 24, 6pm. Meet at the Bandshell to begin praying for those in our community who need Jesus. Pray that they would respond to Him this Easter! You can pray as you walk around the lake, sit on a bench, or as your kids play on the playground.

Worship and Prayer: Holy Thursday, March 24, 7-8pm at PV, immediately following the Prayer Walk. Join us for a time of worship and prayer. Childcare available for birth through 33 months.

60 Hours of Prayer will begin immediately following Worship & Prayer and continue through 8am Easter morning. The Prayer Room will also be open during the Easter services. Sign up for a time slot at www.slottr.com/sheets/708879

Media Fast - Please consider joining us by choosing 2 days, during the week of March 20-26, to fast from media. If work requires the use of media, then fast after work. Use this time to listen, pray, spend time with the Lord, read John 4 and 12-17 to prepare your heart for Easter. Do this as a family or with a group of friends!

Special Business Meeting - Monday, March 21, 6:30pm. Owners are invited to discuss and vote to affirm the following: amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws, the 2016-17 budget, and incoming Board candidates Steve Baumgart and Shawn Shepardson. Ballots will be mailed or emailed to owners who were unable to attend the meeting. Details of the proposed Constitution and By-Law amendments and Board candidate bios have been sent out to owners. Childcare will be provided at the Business Meeting.

ENGAGE: We are better together! - Sunday, April 3, 5-8pm. Have you BEEN attending PV for a while, and would like to better understand the church, possibly considering ownership? Join us for this informative class that answers the basics of who we are, what we are called to do, and if you choose, how you can become a participating owner. Dinner will be served and childcare is available. Registration begins next week.

New Owners - The Governance Board has announced that Bryan and Gayle Benson have become owners of PV. Please welcome them to our church family!



In April of 2014, the PV family was invited to partner in a 3-year initiative called Irresistible. The goal remains the same: to connect more people to Jesus and align more Christ followers to His purpose.

We set out to accomplish three things that would require sacrifice, commitment, and financial resources: eliminate the \$1,000,000 debt, re-purpose the facility, and bless local ministries.

To date, \$2,158,395 of the \$3.6 million goal has been pledged. We have already accomplished much. In Phase 1, we installed a new Audio/Video/Lighting system in the Ministry Center.

Update on Phase 2: **WE ARE NOW DEBT FREE!**

If you have not partnered with PV in this way, please consider understanding the need and stepping out in faith to be part of something great. Pledge cards are available on the brochure kiosk in Next Steps Area. Please drop it in a black giving box.

Live Stream and Kids' Corner - All are welcome to watch the Sunday morning live stream in the Fellowship Area. We have created a space for people to take babies or small children for privacy or to reduce distractions. Enjoy books, toys and a floor mat for playing.

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.

Kids' Church Pre & K - Preschoolers (age 24-33 mos) through Kindergarten, meet Sundays, 8:30 & 10:30am in room 206.

Kids' Church Grades 1-4, Sundays at 8:30 & 10:30am, room 209 (SMC). Students enjoy worship, teaching and fun team challenges, plus small groups for talking points and prayer.

PV Play Day - Wednesday, March 16, 8:30-11:30am. The Ministry Center will be open to parents with young children in need of running around, and a new place to play while parents chat and connect with other parents. All are welcome! No registration needed.

Camp Awesome - June 22-24, 9am-4pm. A sports or arts camp for children entering first grade through fifth grade. Mark your calendars!

Awana - Wednesdays, 6pm at the Peterson Middle School. A ministry for kids, grades K-6. For more information email jprinsen99@gmail.com or [facebook.com/RushfordPetersonAWANA](https://www.facebook.com/RushfordPetersonAWANA).

MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRIES

Sunday Morning Youth - 8:30 & 10:30am in room 203 (Chapel). 5th-8th grade students are welcome. Adult leaders challenge them to grow deeper in their faith; plus they enjoy games and donuts!

Wednesday Night Youth Group - Open gym at 6:30pm, start time 7pm, new end time of 9pm. 5th-8th grade students enjoy worship, time in the Word, and a community-building fun time. Our hope is that the students will be refreshed in Jesus.

Movie Night - Friday, March 18, 7-9:50pm at PV. The middle school students will be enjoying a casual movie night! Feel free to bring a friend and a snack, and we will vote on which movie we'll watch.

HSM & MSM District Blitz - April 15-17, Duluth, MN. The annual EFCA Student Ministries Conference that challenges student to love God, love one another and love the lost. Middle school students see registration details in the Districts Informational handout at pvwinona.com/ministries/middleschool. High school students register at: www.moveyouth.org. Questions? Middle school students contact James@pvwinona.com; and high school students contact Brian@pvwinona.com.

HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRIES

Wednesday Night Youth Group - 7pm at PV. 9th-12th grade students are welcome to enjoy worship, time in the Word, and a community-building fun time.

HSM Sunday Night Life Groups - If you are interested in "moving forward in life together" with other HSM students, contact Pastor Brian, brian@pvwinona.com.

Students, stop by the Next Steps area for more information.

COLLEGE MINISTRIES

Breathe (College Church) - Mondays, 7pm at PV. Need a ride? Cars will be waiting at Kryszko Commons and Lourdes at 6:45pm.

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

Students, stop by the Next Steps area for more information.

ADULT MINISTRIES

Ladies' Connection - Tuesday, March 15, noon at Green Mill. Dine with other ladies on the 3rd Tuesday of each month! Each is responsible for her own meal. RSVP to Judy, 452.2615.

If you love serving behind the scenes and cleaning is one of your gifts, there is an every other Sunday opportunity for 30 minutes after second service and another 30 minutes 1 time per month. Contact cindy@pvwinona.com.

GROUPS @PV

It is our goal to have every person at PV involved in a Small Group, to develop a meaningful relationship with God and His Word, and meaningful relationships with other Christ-followers. To show interest or inquire about a group, contact the group leader listed, or stop by the Next Steps area.

GENERAL (any age, gender, and marital status welcome)

2 Sundays/month, 4pm, Jake & Molly Dahl, jakedahl@hotmail.com, Rushford Sundays, 6pm, Richard & Linda Wardwell, lindeelou@centurylink.net
Tuesdays, 7pm, Todd Ericksen & Owen Warneke, toddehs@q.com
Wednesdays, 6:30pm, Matt & Tanya Bollinger, mrb4686@aol.com, Lewiston
Wednesdays, 7pm, Glenn & Michelle Butler, michelerbutler@gmail.com, Arcadia

WOMEN

Tuesdays, 6pm, Mary Miller-Hyland, mary.mh0624@gmail.com
Tuesdays, 6:30pm, single women, MacKenzie Haugen, mjhaugen4135@winona.edu
Wednesdays, 7-9pm, Kathleen Welch, kathleen.welch@winona.k12.mn.us

MEN

Mondays, 6:15am, Ben Ekern, bekern@acegroup.cc, Burdy's Cafe in Peterson
Tuesdays, 7pm, young adult men, Marc-Henry Wakim, mwakim89@gmail.com
Wednesdays, 6:45am, Jeff Peterson, jgpeterson03@hotmail.com, PV
Saturdays, 7am, Owen Warneke, 454.7524, owenowa@hbc.com

SPECIFIC

Starting Point, one-on-one study for adults who want to get grounded in their relationship with Christ. Meeting times based on participants' schedules.
Pastor Joe, joe@pvwinona.com

Celebrate Recovery, Fridays, 6:30pm. **CR60** will begin April 1-29.

Women's and men's 60 minute meetings will be held from 6:30-7:30pm. CR60 resembles Friday Open Share Groups with the addition of a highlighted Principle/Step via a CR Bible reading. The next Life's Healing Choices semester begins Friday, May 6, 6:30-8:30pm. Step into freedom from life's hurts, habits and hang-ups! A free will offering is accepted to cover food, materials and leadership training. Questions? Visit pvwinona.com for details or contact Pastor Joe, joe@pvwinona.com.

Every 4th Wednesday, 5-6:30pm, **group for new believers, those new to PV, new to small groups, or those wanting to find out more about faith-based topics**, Christine Woyczik, 608.386.3831 and Mary Jo Kottmann, 608.881.4025

Thursdays, 9:30am, group for **senior adults**, Allen Thompson, 454.0363

Thursdays, 1-3pm, at PV. Class has begun but it's not too late to join!

Precepts: 1 Peter - How to Stand Firm When Tested. A 13 week, inductive style (observation, interpretation, application) Bible study. Will trials and persecutions reveal your faith and bring glory to God? Learn how Peter encouraged believers enduring tribulations. \$41 for materials. Kathy Dickinson, alkedickinson@gmail.com.

Every other Sunday evening, 4:30-6:30pm at PV. **Young Parents**, Darrel & Liz Nelson, denelson07@gmail.com