

Come Grow With Us Winter 2018

JOIN US IN OUR UPCOMING
WINTER CLASSES!

MIDWEEK CONNECTION

BEGINS JANUARY 10

We want everyone in the Portland Christian Center family to grow in their faith, and experience true transformation. This requires going beyond weekend services, to connect and participate in new ways. Whether you are a parent, senior, youth or child, we have a place for you to belong on Wednesday nights! Join us for classes and activities the entire family will enjoy!

5:00 PM

Family Dinners

6:00 PM (BEGINS JANUARY 17)

Kids Praise Company

Witness Middle School Choir

Priority High School Choir

Open Prayer (Begins January 10)

Pastor's Circle (Begins January 10)

6:30 PM

Financial Peace University

7:00 PM

Professional Nursery

Rainbows Preschool Club

Mpact Girls Club

Royal Rangers Boys Club

Middle School Group

High School Group

Main Gathering: Charisma Decoded

Early Childhood Parenting Made Fun

Men's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study

Portland Christian Center Choir

THRIVING IN BABYLON

DANIEL'S GUIDE TO IMPACTING YOUR CULTURE

A NEW SERIES THIS WINTER | SUNDAY AT 9:00 AND 10:30 AM

DESIGNED TO THRIVE!

You Can Live an Impacting Life in an Imploding World

**"The people who know their God shall be strong, and
carry out great exploits."**

Daniel 11:32

HOLY SPIRIT WEEK

January 7 - 14

Following our 2017 emphasis on the empowerment of the Holy Spirit, we will launch January with a week-long emphasis that will enable us to strategically sync our lives with the person and power of the Spirit for the New Year. Two powerful events will help us to align our lives with the mighty things God desires to do in us.

PREPARING FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

6:15 - 7:15 AM & 12:00 - 1:00 PM

Join others at Portland Christian Center to fast a portion or all of the meals you would normally eat in order to encounter God at a deeper level. Along with fasting, the church chapel will be opened January 8 - 12 twice daily Monday through Friday, for an hour of prayer. Pastor Ray will guide the prayer from 6:15 - 7:15 AM. Associate pastors will lead a similar prayer time from 12:00 - 1:00 PM.



HOLY SPIRIT SUNDAY

Sunday, January 14

Dr. David Thomas

Sunday morning, Dr. David Thomas will bring a powerful message on Spirit-filled living. Then from 5:00 - 7:00 PM, Dr. Thomas will lead a seminar on the ministry and infilling of the Holy Spirit. Time will be devoted to the ministering in the gifts of the Spirit—with an expectation of a visitation of the power gifts—words of knowledge, prophecy, etc. It will also provide extended and unhurried time for those wishing to experience Spirit baptism.

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28
5:00 PM

Please be sure to mark your calendars for the Annual Business Meeting at 5:00 PM on Sunday, January 28. The meeting will be held in the Sanctuary.

BIBLE READING PLAN

Start reading the Bible today—there is no better time, and there's no reason to wait. Pick up your daily Bible reading plan at the Information Desk or online at pcctoday.com/bible.

WATER BAPTISM

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21
10:30 AM

In the early church hundreds of people came to believe in Jesus Christ and, almost as quickly, were baptized in water as a visible sign of their internal commitment. At Portland Christian Center, after you make a commitment to be a follower of Christ, we encourage you to participate in one of our Baptism services. To sign up or for more information, visit pcctoday.com/baptisms.

WAYS TO GROW FOR YOU & YOUR FAMILY

GET MORE INFORMATION OR REGISTER ONLINE AT PCCTODAY.COM

SUNDAYS

LIFESKILLS

Begins Sunday, January 7
9:00 AM, Gymnasium

Ever been caught by a storm? When it happens, we scramble for shelter. We look for something to shield us from the storm. This world offers a variety of shelters, and while they seem substantial, they're little more than temporary and unreliable. God is the only One who can truly shelter us in the midst of life's adversities. This study based in the Psalms will show you that when you place yourself in God's loving embrace you can experience true shelter in the midst of any downpour. But God doesn't just offer a place of shelter during your storms. He is your shelter!

YOUNG FAMILIES: ACCIDENTAL PHARISEES

Begins Sunday, January 7
9:00 AM, Room 217-219

Avoiding Pride, Exclusivity, and the Other Dangers of Overzealous Faith. Following Jesus is not a race to see who can be the most radical, sacrificial, knowledgeable, or burn out for Jesus. It's simply doing whatever He calls us to do, whether it's radical and crazy or simple and mundane. Join us as we shine a light on the six most common dangers of overzealous faith and how to avoid them. If you're seeking to follow Jesus with everything you've got, or if you wonder what has happened to the Jesus who offers rest to the weary and an easier yoke to the overloaded, this series is for you.

FAITHBUILDERS

Begins Sunday, February 25
9:00 AM, Room 229-230

Following The Messiah: See the gospel through a different lens as two men explore the places where Jesus lived during His life on earth in Appian Media's *Following The Messiah*. Get up close to the ruins of the ancient city of Capernaum, take a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, and walk through the arid wilderness of Judea. This is an incredible journey through the Bible lands, both old and new.

JAPANESE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH Bible Study, 9:00 AM, Room 228 Worship Service, 10:45 AM, Room 228

Join us to worship the Lord in Japanese! We welcome anyone who speaks Japanese or is interested in a Japanese worship experience. Led by Pastor Hiro Noda.

TUESDAYS

PROPEL WOMEN

Tuesday, January 16
6:30 - 8:30 PM, Chapel

2018 is here and we are ready for our next PROPEL WOMEN. This month we will kick-off a new series on *Growth: Building more room in our life*. What a great topic to launch a new year of stretching our capabilities for God to work.

COLLEGE GROUP

Begins Tuesday, January 2
6:30 PM, Symposium Coffee

The College Group meets every other Tuesday at 6:30 PM for a casual, conversational Bible study. Anyone age 18-25 is welcome to come and join us as we learn about God, our faith and Christianity.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Begins Tuesday, January 9
9:15 - 11:30 AM, Chapel

The Quest is a challenge to accept the invitation. Beth Moore uses questions from Scripture to lead you to intimacy with the One who knows you best. Learn to dig into the Word, to respond to the questions of God, and to bring your questions before Him. Let the crooked punctuation mark be the map that points you into a closer relationship with the Father. \$25 for the session. Additionally offered on Wednesday nights at 7:00 - 8:30 PM.

WEDNESDAYS

MAIN GATHERING: CHARISMA DECODED

Begins Wednesday, January 10
7:00 - 8:30 PM, Chapel

The Greek word "charisma" means a divinely given favor which someone receives without any merit of their own. Join us for this in-depth look at spiritual gifts, their relationship to the will of God, how gifts interact with other gifts, how gifts relate to leadership, and how to minimize conflict by appreciating the strengths and weaknesses of each gift. When Christians find their gifts, know the significance of their gifts, and properly exercise their gifts, they WILL grow! As people grow (internal growth), then the church will grow (external growth).

WEDNESDAYS (CONTINUED)

PASTOR'S CIRCLE:

THRIVE SERMON SERIES
Begins Wednesday, January 10
6:00 – 6:50 PM, Chapel

Grab some coffee and join Pastor Ray Noah to review last week's sermon and preview the next message. This is a great time to ask questions, get clarity, offer insights and give input to what's next.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Begins Wednesday, January 10
6:30 – 8:30 PM, Room 229

This changes everything! Your money, your story, your life. Learn God's way of handling money with Dave Ramsey's *Financial Peace University*. Your cost of \$100 will be the best investment you'll ever make. Join us for an amazing nine-week Money Makeover. Register online at pcctoday.com. For more information or to register go to pcctoday.com/financial-peace-university.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Begins Wednesday, January 10
7:00 – 8:30 PM, Hospitality Center
See left for description.

LOVE AND LOGIC:

**EARLY CHILDHOOD PARENTING
MADE FUN**
Begins Wednesday, January 10
7:00 – 8:30 PM, Room 230

It's never too early to use Love and Logic; it even works on the tiny ones! Turn the terrible two's into the terrific two's with easy to use steps. This class is directed towards those with children birth through 6 years. Cost: \$25 per person, \$40 couple and \$10 alumni. Register online at pcctoday.com.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY:

KING'S CROSS
Begins Wednesday, January 10
7:00 – 8:30 PM, Room 228

This winter quarter we will be studying the gospel of Mark, going chapter by chapter and verse by verse. For men to be "real men", they must know the life of Jesus – His ministry, His confrontation with temptation, His miracles, and His sacrifice. This gospel account of Jesus is concise, fast moving and powerful. As a companion to this study we will be using bestselling author Timothy Keller's book, *King's Cross*. Register online at pcctoday.com.

PORTLAND CHRISTIAN

CENTER CHOIR
Begins Wednesday, January 10
7:00 – 8:30 PM, Worship Arts Center

This exciting choir leads worship in our Sunday Morning Worship Service. They also present an annual Christmas production that reaches over 15,000 people in our community. Be a part of this inspiring ministry and deepen your worship experience. Learn more at pcctoday.com/choir.

THURSDAYS

YOUNG ADULTS COMMUNITY

4th Thursday of the Month
6:30 – 8:30 PM, Freitas Home

A night of fun, fellowship, faith and food! We invite you to join our Young Adults community at the Freitas home the 4th Thursday of every month at 6:30 PM for a tasty home cooked meal and an opportunity to connect with other young people in a similar stage of life. For more information go to pcctoday.com/youngadults.

FRIDAYS

ENCOUNTER:

A SINGLES COMMUNITY
7:00 – 9:00 PM, Worship Arts Center

Singles (30s & 40s) who want to grow in their relationship with Christ and connect with people in a similar season of life.

MEMBERSHIP CLASS

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21
6:30 PM

Pastor Ray invites you to join him for our Portland Christian Center Membership Class, on Wednesday, February 21 at 6:30 PM in the Chapel, to share his mission and vision for Portland Christian Center! This class is designed to clearly explain to you God's hand on this church and our plans for the future. In this two hour course you will learn:

- The history of our church
- Our church's strategy and structure
- Our beliefs & statements of purpose
- The five purposes & how they are necessary to fulfill God's calling for your life
- How you can play a part in what God is up to at Portland Christian Center

At the end of the Membership Class you are invited, but not required, to become a member of our Portland Christian Center family!

If you have any questions regarding the Membership Class, please contact Sheryl Landis at slandis@pcctoday.com.

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PORTLAND KIDS



ELEMENTARY

Sunday at 9:00 & 10:30 AM

Kids Church is the main event for elementary kids in Kindergarten through 5th grade. Kids learn to live for Jesus through exciting praise & worship, Bible teaching, puppets, skits, games, and object lessons.



KIDS PRAISE COMPANY

Wednesday at 6:00 PM

This top-quality kids choir for K-5th grade is so much more than singing! Kids get a musical education, have tons of fun together, and perform God-honoring musicals and concerts for our community.



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS

Wednesday at 7:00 PM

Royal Rangers & Mpact Girls clubs (K-5th) encourage kids in their journey to become who God created them to be. Friendships are built as they earn awards, learn valuable life-skills and grow closer to Jesus.



NURSERY

Sunday at 9:00 & 10:30 AM
Wednesday at 7:00 PM

Our professional nursery is a secure and nurturing environment. We have separate age-appropriate care rooms and adhere to strict class size ratios. It is fully equipped to take extra special care of kids two and under. We open 15 minutes before the service time.



PRESCHOOL

Sunday at 9:00 & 10:30 AM
Wednesday at 7:00 PM

Sunday Preschool Kids is for ages 3 years through Pre-K. Our classrooms and teachers create an atmosphere where they can discover the building blocks of faith including creation, love, and getting along with others. Whether its age appropriate crafts, bible stories, or singing, your children will find their early experience at church memorable and fun.

PORTLAND YOUTH

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Sunday at 9:00 AM & Wednesday at 7:00 PM

We are dedicated to reaching students, encouraging positive friendships and helping them grow in their faith. Students are encouraged to be an active servant with weekly ministries and honor God daily with their life.



WITNESS

Begins January 17
Wednesday at 6:00 PM

The middle school student choir performs throughout the year. They are also featured in Portland's Christmas Celebration concerts every December. In June, Witness takes a five-day music/missions trip out of state.

HIGH SCHOOL

Sunday at 9:00 AM & Wednesday at 7:00 PM

We are a group of high schoolers who are passionate about discovering who we are, who God is, and what this life is all about.



PRIORITY

Begins January 17
Wednesday at 6:00 PM

Priority, the high school choir, performs in Sunday services and concerts in the community throughout the year. They are featured in Portland's Christmas Celebration concerts. Priority takes a nine-day music/missions tour every summer. They also are involved in recording projects and community outreach.

PORTLAND MUSIC

PORTLAND CHRISTIAN CENTER CHOIR

Sunday at 10:30 AM & Wednesday at 7:00 PM

Being part of the Portland Christian Center Choir will not only change your life, but will directly impact hundreds of lives for the glory of God. From Sunday services to special concerts, recording projects and choir tours, the Portland Christian Center Choir is a high impact ministry.

PORTLAND CHRISTIAN CENTER ORCHESTRA

Sunday at 10:30 AM

The Worship Orchestra accompanies the Portland Christian Center Choir weekly in services. They are also featured in Portland's Christmas Celebration, playing for over 15,000 people. Their annual Symphony of Hymns concert has become a Portland Christian Center favorite.

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