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NEXT Sunday, February 7th

immediately following the worship service

Souper Super Sunday Pre-Game Party!

Please bring soup, chili, or sandwiches to share.

All hot food is to be preheated please!

Beverages will be provided.

Desserts provided by deacons', elders', and ministers' wives.

Be SUPER Generous

You will have an opportunity to make a donation to our *Family Promise* ministry at the "Souper" Super Bowl Pre-Game Party or at any of the parties being hosted in homes in the evening.

Super Bowl Sunday Night Parties

Open to All:

At the home of Corny and Phyllis Walker, arrive between 5:00-5:30 PM. Bring Finger Foods! Please let Corny or Phyllis know if you will be attending their party.

At the home of Dan and Katherine Cooper, arrive between 6:00-6:30 PM. Katherine is preparing chili and all the trimmings. Guests are asked to bring veggies, desserts and drinks.

At the home of Mike and Tina Broyles, doors open at 5:30 PM, dinner at 6 PM! Contact Tina for meal instructions. Beverages provided by the Broyles.

For Young Adults:

At the home of Carlos & Gina Isaziga at 6:00 PM
PRICE OF ADMISSION: Everyone is asked to bring "Finger Foods" such as Buffalo Wings, Nachos, Hoagies, etc. Desserts and Beverages provided.

For Teens:

At the home of Tim and Melody Davis at 5:30 PM to ??? If you need a ride meet at the building at 4:45 to catch the van leaving at 5:00 sharp. The van will most likely leave at halftime to return to the building. Everyone is asked to bring a 2 liter soda or a bottle of juice. Ladies please bring a dessert / Guys please side dishes (chip and dip or an appetizer.) Pizza, wings and salad will be provided. If you have any questions contact the Davises.

Our Mission

To meet others where they are and together be transformed into the image of Christ.

From Daniel's Den

Something New...Ways to Give...e-Giving

Next time a big snowstorm hits, you can give without leaving home. Some of you did last week. Go to our web site www.pitmanroadcoc.com and click on the "Giving" menu. You may never use it, and that's okay! But, if you do use it, it is an innovative way to make your contributions to church either on a regular or occasional basis. You may continue to write your check or drop your cash into the collection plate every Sunday. That is great! That is likely what Katherine and I will do, at least for now. However, if you decide to take advantage of technology, it is totally safe, and we expect that over the next year or two more and more of you will take advantage of this method of giving. I know our Rachel has been saying for years, "Dad, I don't do checks anymore. My church check is about the only check I write these days."

Of course, we hope that you will continue to see your regular weekly contribution as a primary responsibility. You can also now "text" your contribution (856) 209-6212. Pick up the half page information sheet at the Information Center for more details. If you do use this new app, when you give you will be able to designate your donation into any one of the following categories:

Regular Contribution
Camp Manatawny Sponsorship
Capital Fund / Expansion Fund
Family Promise / Local
Feed the Homeless / Trenton
Mission Trips / Australia, France, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, etc.
Pantry
Winterfest

*Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a **cheerful giver**. (2 Cor. 9:7)*

-Dan



Dan Cooper
aka
"Dan, Dan,
the Preacherman"

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Brian Mansdoerfer
deacon over
Building Maintenance
and Jr. Worship

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A Servant Speaks

Caring For Our Children...and Our Building

Dear Church Family,

I was asked to write an article pertaining to my two areas of ministry. The areas I oversee are Building Maintenance and Jr. Worship.

The Jr. Worship program is designed to give our children between 1st and 4th grade an opportunity to not only hear and participate in an age appropriate lesson, but to take active roles in leading prayers and reading scriptures publicly. Our class has steadily grown and we consistently have 15-18 children each week. **Harry Ake** has become an invaluable assistant for me, and the kids love him. Harry along with Steve Pierre-Jacques were instrumental in obtaining a new television and Blu-ray to show video series as part of our curriculum. We are always looking for help with teaching and training our children through this ministry, so if you have a desire, please reach out to me or Harry.

I've also been given the responsibility to oversee our building and it's maintenance. We have been blessed to be able to have such a great building that offers such potential for us to grow. It is important that we are good stewards of this blessing. I would ask that as issues with our building arise, please feel free to bring them to my attention. We are working on correcting some persistent issues and ask for your patience as we work through them. In order to more effectively maintain our building, I am going to be placing a clipboard in the Information Center for members to write down issues as they arise so they can be addressed more efficiently. Thank you for the opportunity to serve !

-Brian Mansdoerfer

Jr. Worship Has a Smart TV!



At the end of 2015, through the generosity of your contributions, Jr. Worship received an upgrade in its audio-visual equipment. It was a cold Monday evening when Steve Pierre-Jacques and Ray Holmes came through back door with something called a "Smart TV". A couple hours later it was installed along with a "sound bar" and shortly thereafter connected to the church's internet service. This 50" LED Television set has WIFI capability and connects to Netflix and YouTube. It is an extraordinary teaching tool and is being used to educate and entertain children with wholesome, and Spirit filled lessons such as these:

- We connect to YouTube and sing along with the "Books of the Bible Songs" at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i7ZtWRSCH7E>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nj54GQazVCo>

If you don't know the names of the books of the Bible in order, and by heart, just watch these videos a few times and try to sing along! They have a hip-hop edge and are really well done.

- The Gospel of John, (2014 NIV version) scripted from the biblical text, is a 2 hour, 40 min, Netflix movie which has been described as a "moving and immersive translation." We have spent many weeks working with the children through this film, pausing often to interact, answer their questions, and comment on the Gospel.

There are sure to be many other YouTube and Netflix presentations to be included in the Jr. Worship experience. By seeing, hearing, and interacting, many children (and teachers) are being blessed. We thank you for this gift! If you like what you are hearing, and want to be a part of the teaching Jr. Worship, we want, and need, your help and support. If you would like to sit in on a Sunday morning, please don't be shy. Come join us. -**Harry Ake**



Go to our website at www.pitmanroadcoc.com and click on "Giving" on the menu bar at the top of the homepage, and follow the directions there.

Invite Someone!

We have gotten more of these nifty round cards that list all of our contact, website, and social media information as well as our meeting times.

These are for your use! They are available in the foyer. Take a few with you and hand them out to potential visitors. It's much easier to invite someone to church when you can hand them all of our information on one small, eye-catching card!



A Visit from the President

The President will be visiting our church this coming April. **April 3rd** to be exact! It is true! The newly appointed president of Harding University, **Dr. Bruce McClairty** will be with us at the Pitman Road Church of Christ. **This is a campaign stop!** The president is on a campaign to help parents and teens know of the wonderful opportunities that Harding University presents to students who want to pursue an academically challenging university experience.

The president will speak at our Sunday morning worship service at 10:00 AM. After worship, a complimentary lunch will be provided at our building for all teens and their parents, as well as all Harding University Alumni. For now, mark the date on your calendar.

Sincerely, **Dan**

Mission Trip to Haiti

Carl Steiner is returning to Haiti for his fourth trip, February 15-23! Carl has both the skill set and the heart to make him extremely valuable in such a work. In addition to his support, there is a need for teaching materials in Creole. Total cost for the trip will exceed \$1,000 and Carl will humbly and happily accept all the help you might be able to offer. What you may not realize is that Carl is 100% self-employed, so he has no paid vacation time. When he is in Haiti, no one is giving him vacation pay.

I hope and pray that your heart is touched by Carl's servant heart and by the on-going needs in Haiti. Be generous, do what you can, and God will bless you, plus you will be a blessing to Carl.

Remember our mission statement: "To meet others where they are and together be transformed into the image of Christ." -**Dan**


Upcoming Events and Activities




Women's Ministry Meeting
TODAY!
January 31, 2016
 11:45 am - 1:30 pm
 Meet in the Family Life Center
 Our "new" Women's Ministry will be unveiled...
 ...but we need YOU to make it a success!
 Please plan to attend this important meeting.

Haven't joined a LIFE Group yet?
 Join us for a LIFE Group Re-Launch
TODAY, January 31st.
 LIFE Group Leaders will be available in the foyer...
 ask them about their group!

Find where **YOU BELONG!** and sign up!



The TORCH Mission Trip Meeting has been rescheduled for TODAY!
All TORCH Missions participants and anyone else who is interested in participating in the Honduras trip in July 2016 are asked to attend a meeting in the Young Adult classroom at 9:40 am.




Questions? Contact Tyler Steffy



You are invited to the
PRCOC Button Club Meeting
on Sunday, February 7th
at 2PM in our Library, Rm. B-5
Questions: See Anita O'Hara

Pitman Road Church of Christ
 Monday Night Men's Bible Study
 will be going on hiatus
 for the winter months.
 Meetings will resume on Monday, April 4th.

Bible Study
 Come and Experience the Living Word



REFUGE date changes

Normally, REFUGE meets on the first Sunday evening of each month. The REFUGE team apologizes for the schedule changes over the past couple of months. Unfortunately, due to Super Bowl Sunday, we will have to change our February date as well. **The next meeting of REFUGE will be on Sunday, February 21st.** Beginning in March, we plan to be back on track and meeting the first Sunday evening of each month. **Please remember, EVERYONE is welcome to attend REFUGE! And please invite guests to come with you. See you on February 21st!**

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST • 5:30-7:30 PM

refuge

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 YOUNG ADULT LIFE GROUP • ALL ARE WELCOME

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Secret Sister Revealing Party
Saturday, February 13th at 1:00 PM

*At the home of Sandy Sheehan,
 4 Parker Lane, Williamstown, NJ 08094*

*Bring your favorite finger food and
 your "revealing" gift for your Secret Sister.*

Brittany Spaeth has agreed to drive the church van. If you would like to ride in the van, please contact Dottie.

Please note: If you have not contacted Dottie yet, please do so ASAP. If you are not able to attend the party please be sure to give your gift for your Secret Sister to Sandy or Dottie.



New Birth!

If you heard the angels rejoicing last Wednesday night, it was because **Mason Steward** was baptized into Christ by his dad, **Jonathan Steward**. Mason, 13, has grown up in our congregation, many of us remember when he was born! Mason's mom **Robin** began attending our church in the 1990's, giving birth to her older sons, **Christian and Justin**, while a member here as well. Jonathan attended faithfully for many years and was eventually baptized here as well. Robin set the example for her family, and together, all five of them are committed members of our church! We are grateful for this family, and celebrate Mason's new birth with them. Congratulations Mason! It had been a blessing to witness you growing up and into a Christian brother to us all!



If you want to see more photos, check our Facebook page!

Student Accomplishments

Congratulations to **Stephanie Pierre-Jacques** for placing 2nd at the business and finance competition in the Southern Regional Conference of DECA. Stephanie competed against high school students throughout the South Jersey area. She advances to the State level competition.



Additionally, Stephanie auditioned and was accepted into the Olympic Conference Honors Band. She will be performing with the band at Washington High School on February 2, 2016 at 7:30pm.

Stephanie, your church family is very proud of you!



This Week's Prayer Requests

Praises: Our members came through the snow storm safely. Thankful for **John and Kathy Ashton** who hunkered down with our Family Promise guests for the weekend. There was a new birth!...see left column.

Prayers Requested:

Rachel Stetser, recovering from mastectomy surgery last Friday, January 29th.

Glynn Durham, surgery for stomach cancer THIS Tuesday.

Steve Musso, in Health South Rehab in Vineland recovering from a brain bleed caused by a fall.

David and Joshua Davis, Harriet's grandsons, were sent home from the hospital, but Joshua was readmitted on Thursday. Harriet thanks you for your continued prayers.

Alana Peterson, radiation treatments started last Monday.

Charles Busch, making some progress, pray for restored kidney function.

Jayne Schofield, severe back pain.

Dakota Warburton, Jenai Cerquoni's cousin, 17 yrs. old, lymphoma in lungs and throat. Her prognosis is very good!

Edward Gandolfi, Annette Perine's dad, biopsy on Feb. 10, complicated by having to go off blood thinners.

Harry Ake, recovering from carpal tunnel surgery.

Barbara Perry, simultaneous chemotherapy and radiation treatment.

Dorice E. Mitchell, Katherine Cooper's dad, congestive heart failure and progressively weakening heart.

Gwen Phillip, continuing chemotherapy for breast cancer.

Monet Darisow, Lucy Fair's granddaughter, severe case of lupus.

JoAnne Darrah requests our continued prayers for her recovery. She is improving slowly.

Marty Harrison, Linda Prenger's sister, diagnosed with cancer.

Gladys Isaziga, Carlos' mom, chemotherapy

Nancy Calabro, numerous health concerns.

Military:

Andrew Holden at West Point.

Doug Peterson III, deployed with Air Force

Expecting:

Tyler and Katherine Steffy, a boy on February 2

Alexa (Rinner) & Marshal Price, a girl on February 14

Engaged:

Sean Fenton & Rebekah Lucien, April 16, 2016

Mallory Perine & Brandon Keeks, September 17, 2016

Jonathan Hooley & Mary Bernadette McElroy

Traveling:

Paul Stanford

Coopers traveling to Nashville to visit Katherine's parents.

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Matt Downing Worship

Glynn Durham LIFE Groups

Darren Fields Greeters Ministry

Brian Holden Special Activities; Body Life

Garth Hutchinson Local Evangelism

Larry Kellum, Jr. Caring & Sharing

Brian Mansdoerfer .Building Maintenance; Jr. Worship

Chuck Olley Teens

Aaron Pearl Youth

John Peoples New Member Involvement

Steve Pierre-Jacques
..... Audio Visual; Information Technology; Website

Jay Schneider Serving Our Seniors

Carl Steiner World Evangelism

Manny Vander Vennen
..... Church Directory, Kids for Christ

Sunday Schedule

9:00 AM Bible Classes

10:00 AM Worship

Wednesday Night Schedule

5:30-6:30 PM Meal

7:00-7:45 PM Bible Classes

7:45 PM Fellowship

Last Week

Bible Class	NA
Worship	NA
LIFE Groups	NA
Wednesday	70
Contribution	NA
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$316,800.00
Contribution YTD	\$292,852.00
Under Budget	(\$23,948.00)

Serving Us Today

Nursery	Brittany Spaeth
Kids For Christ	Tina Broyles
Jr. Worship	Brian Mansdoerfer
Hall Monitor: Bible Class	Volunteer Needed
Hall Monitor: Worship	Becky Vander Vennen
Greeters: Front Entrance	Horatio & Jackie Fenton
Greeters: Back Entrance	Steve & Jayne DePrince
Ushers	Waverly & Austin Hale
Information Center	Mary Collier
Shepherd's Call	Mike Broyles
Song Leader	Matt Downing
Communion	Horatio Fenton

L.I.F.E. Group Locations Today

Group	Location	Contact
Brook Besor	Not meeting this week.	
Circle of Sisters	Prenger's, Tuesday at 7PM	856-689-7932
Convenience Group	Women's Ministry Meeting	
Hammonton Group	Women's Ministry Meeting	
Marriage Mentoring	Women's Ministry Meeting	
Men's Bible Study	On hiatus until April 4th	
Paracletes	Women's Ministry Meeting	
Silver Linings	Women's Ministry Meeting	
Solid Gold	Women's Ministry Meeting	
Teens	Women's Ministry Meeting	
Vineland	Women's Ministry Meeting	
Women in the Word	Not meeting this week.	
Young Adults	Women's Ministry Meeting	

Wednesday Night Meal

Cook: Harriet Wensel

Menu: Chicken Fettuccini

Elder on Call:

January/February: Mike Broyles



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