



Pack the Pulpit

FOOD DRIVE

For Thanksgiving Baskets

Sunday, November 19

On November 19, bring in your full "Pack the Pulpit" grocery bags, leave them in the designated place in the lobby, and at the appointed time, the children of our congregation will **PACK THE PULPIT!**

What can **YOU** do to make our annual Pack the Pulpit food drive successful? Please shop from the list below. You can pick up an "official" grocery bag and list in the lobby.

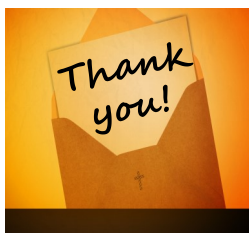
If you are aware of a family in need who will benefit from receiving a Thanksgiving Basket, please see Dottie.

We are also in need of a total of 50 turkeys and 50 fresh pies to complete the Thanksgiving Baskets. (Pies can be fresh, store-bought pies; they do not need to be homemade.) If you can donate either a turkey and/or pie, please let Dottie know ASAP. Please bring them in on November 19 as well. (Please don't bring turkeys in before then, we don't have room to store them.)

Thanksgiving Basket Grocery List:

Stuffing	Canned Green Beans	Canned Gravy	Bottled Juice
Cranberry Sauce	Cream of Mushroom Soup	Canned Fruit	
Instant Potatoes	French Fried Onions	Canned Sweet Potatoes/Yams	

Send Some Love at Thanksgiving!



Thanksgiving cards for our former members, missionaries, guest speakers, and continuing supporters are available in the lobby for us to sign.

This is a tradition that is somewhat unique to the Pitman Road church. The recipients of cards are always so appreciative that we have taken time to remember them during this season of thanks. Please take a moment to stop at the tables in the lobby and jot down a note of encouragement, thanks, and love to these special people!

Once again, a big thank you goes out to Janet Betts and her team for creating the cards.

Our Mission

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

From Daniel's Den

Still My Favorite Holiday!

What is your favorite holiday? Mine is Thanksgiving because it encourages me to remember. And when I remember, I give thanks for the things and people I have in my life, rather than focusing on things I don't have. Thanksgiving encourages me to rejoice in God's goodness, count my blessings, celebrate my good health, and cherish my wonderful relationships...and I need that emphasis!

"If today were your last, would you do what you're doing? Or would you love more, give more, forgive more? Then do so! Forgive and give as if it were your last opportunity. Love like there's no tomorrow, and if tomorrow comes, love again." Max Lucado

I just finished reading *The Broken Way*, by Ann Voskamp. She says,

"I wonder if all the bad brokenness in the world begins with the act of forgetting—forgetting God is enough, forgetting what He gives is good enough, forgetting there is always more than enough... Whenever I forget, fear walks in. We're called to be a people known by our remembering—a remembering people. Forget to give thanks, and you forget who God is!"

So...remember!

Race me to the tables in the foyer, and let's take time to remember some special people who have touched our church in meaningful ways in the last twelve months. There are seventeen people/family units that we want to remember in a special way this Thanksgiving. Let's fill every white space on those cards, front and back, with signatures and notes of thanks.

Carpe diem, carpe diem, carpe diem!

Take time to sign the cards and express thanks to some special people! -Dan



Dan Cooper
aka
"Dan, Dan,
the Preacherman"

"We're called to be a people known by our remembering--a remembering people."
-Ann Voskamp



Andy Mychajlowycz
Minister

This day ...
I have set
before you
life and death,
blessings and
curses. Now
choose life ...
For the LORD is
your life.

- Deuteronomy
30:19-20

At the Crossroads

Life and Death Choices

When I was in grade school, I would stop at a corner store on the way home from school. One day, as I approached the store, I saw police cars, a crowd, and a kid lying on the sidewalk with blood pouring from his head. He was dead. The kid had tried to rob the store and the owner shot him. When the owner and the kid started their day, I'm sure they didn't imagine it would end in this way - that their choices would end up being LIFE or DEATH choices.

In Genesis, we read about Lot's choice: Abram and Lot are doing so well that they don't have enough room for their flocks. So, Abram tells Lot and his clan to choose another place. Lot looks **TOWARD** Sodom (13:10) and chooses the lush Jordan river valley. Then he moves **NEAR** Sodom (13:12). Then he is living **IN** Sodom (14:12). A bit later we see Lot sitting **IN THE GATE** of Sodom (19:1), possibly as a city official. When God destroys Sodom, Lot loses his wife and escapes only with his two daughters. Finally, he is hiding in a cave where his daughters make him drunk and commit incest with him. Their children's descendants later become tormenters of Israel.

So, where did Lot go wrong?

- (1) **His objective was wrong.** Lot chose something "good" (prosperity), without considering whether it was "good" in God's eyes.
- (2) **His attitude was wrong.** In 13:10, it says Lot looked up (haughty?) and chose "for himself"; while in 13:14 it says Abram looked down (humble) until God told him to look up to see the land God would give him.
- (3) **He couldn't break the cycle.** At each stage, when Lot was confronted with the next choice, he never changed direction. He was "all-in" on his first choice.

What about us? Is God at the heart of our choices, or do we choose things that "look good" to us and can't step back when we see we are on the wrong track? If the Lord is our life, ALL choices should go through him.

- Andy

NEXT Saturday Night!



NEXT Sunday!



Refuge is NEXT Sunday, November 5, at 5:30-7:30 pm. As a congregation, we were very generous with our support, both financially and in prayer, when **Andreana Barefield** embarked on a mission/educational trip last summer to work with victims of human trafficking in Kolkata, India. Please come out and support Andreana once again! Next Sunday, during Refuge, Andreana will share her experiences on this life changing trip.

As usual, we will have a time of fellowship with snack and coffee, and then share a time of praise. We hope you will join us!

Brianna on Stage



Come and see **Briana Peoples** in the Williamstown High School production of **Peter Pan and Wendy**. Brianna will be appearing multiple roles! Performances are on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, November 2, 3, & 4 at 7:00 pm with a matinee on Saturday at 2:00 pm. See Brianna for more information.

Thank You!!!!

It's been a busy couple of weeks here at the Pitman Road church!

Thank you **John Ashton and your team** for another successful Family Promise Host Week! It takes a tremendous amount of work to pull this off four times a year. We are grateful to John for his passion and dedication to this important outreach effort.

Thank to **Tim and Melody Davis, and their team of teens and adults** for coordinating and hosting the annual Fun Fall Festival. This event takes a huge amount of effort, and we are grateful that the Pitman Road Youth Group does this year after year.

We also thank **Aaron and Jenn Pearl** for coordinating *Trunk or Treat* again this year! **And thanks to all who provided candy and trunks!**

LIFE Group Outreach Opportunity!

Dear LIFE Groups:

The Eleanor Corbett House in Glassboro houses families and single women in need of shelter. Their Adopt-a-Family program matches families in need with individuals who adopt them for the holidays. Last year, Pitman Road adopted four families, and your generosity was overwhelming.

The Women's **Embark** Ministry is asking our LIFE Groups to adopt a family and help bring joy during this holiday season to those less fortunate. Here is how the program works:

- The Eleanor Corbett House sends a profile of a family and their wish list.
- Your group would purchase at least one new toy or gift for each child, and a gift card for the parent.
- Gifts must be wrapped and will be delivered the 2nd week in December.

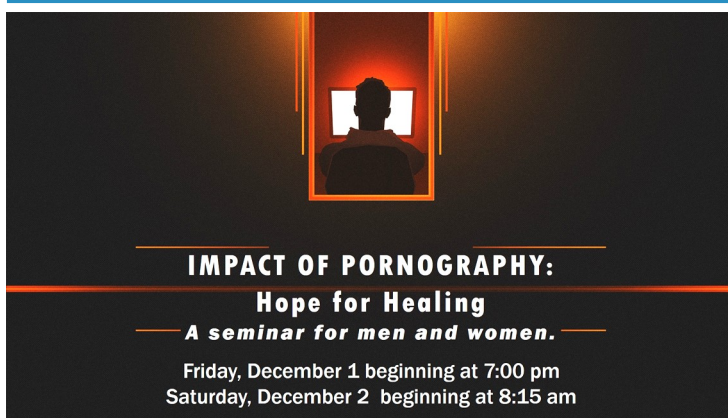
Please contact **Leza Davis or Carla Clements** if your LIFE Group wishes to participate. You have the option of partnering with another LIFE Group. Our goal is to adopt eight families, and with your love and generosity, we can do it!

"Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward him for what he has done." -Proverbs 19:17

Thank You!

Leza Davis and Carla Clements
Embark ministry coordinators

Mark Your Calendars



Please plan to attend this seminar! Pornography impacts families...including Christian families. Typically, men are more likely to struggle with pornography addiction, but the women in their lives must deal with the issue alongside them. So we encourage men **and** women to attend. The seminar is free and open to the public, so please feel free to invite family members, friends, etc. Flyers are available at the Welcome Center. If you have questions, please see **Justin Guy**.

Our Schedule

Sunday

9:00 am Bible Classes
10:00 am Worship

Wednesday

7:00 pm Bible Classes

Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday
8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Last Week

Bible Class	129
Worship	219
LIFE Groups	127
Wednesday Trunk or Treat	189
Contribution	\$7,769.00
Weekly Goal	\$9868.00

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Elder on Call for September and October: John Peoples

Serving Us Today

Nursery	Lori Hernandez
Kids For Christ	Manny Vander Vennen
Jr. Worship	Brian Mansdoerfer/Harry Ake
Greeters: Front Entrance	Larry Peterson & Mike Lazar
Greeters: Back Entrance	Frank & Sandy Sheehan
Information Center	Jackie Fenton
Ushers	Horatio Fenton & Harold Pearl
Shepherd's Call	Horatio Fenton
Song Leader	Mike Broyles
Communion	Noah Lewis

LIFE Group	Location	Contact
Ageless	Not meeting today.	
Brook Besor	Durham's Tuesday at 7 pm	856-589-2280
Circle of Sisters	Sbaraglia's Monday at 7 pm	856-419-0544
Cornerstone	Church Bldg. rm B2 at noon	609-226-4031
Hammonton	Broyles' at 6 pm	609-561-8532
Life Challenges	Church Bldg. rm B4 at noon	267-303-4877
Men's Bible Study	Church Bldg. Monday at 7 pm	856-217-3956
Solid Gold	Walker's at noon	856-478-6972
Teens	Not meeting today.	610-476-9057
Vineland	H. Pearl's at 6pm	856-839-0051
Women in the Word	Church Bldg. Tuesdays at 9:45 am	856-981-9754
Young Married	Adam's at 1 pm	609-922-4510

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This Week's Prayer Requests

Praises: For all the outreach efforts over the past two weeks.

Prayers Requested:

Dwight Thompson, chemotherapy treatments; dealing with fatigue and side effects. Prayers also for Mary Lea as she cares for him through the treatments.

Jacob Thies has had a reoccurrence of cancer. He is being treated aggressively with chemotherapy and will like have surgery after that course of treatment is completed. Please also pray for Debby, Rachel and Ethan as they go through this with Jacob.

Larry Point, a regular check-up last week revealed some concerns about cardiac health, so further evaluation is needed.

Anne Peoples spend two days in the hospital; she would appreciate prayers on her behalf. She misses her Pitman Road family.

Rachel Stetser, recovering from knee replacement surgery.

Cindy Holden will be having wrist surgery on November 3; she will be unable to work for three months.

We Extend Our Sympathy



Pat Schuehler passed peacefully to her from this life to the eternal on the evening of Friday, October 20. We extend our sincere sympathy to Ted and their sons Glen, Brian, and Craig, as well as their families.

Pat had many health concerns, but no matter what, she beamed with joy each time she was able to worship with us on Sunday morning. The obituary put together by her family described Pat so well that we don't have more to say than this: "Patricia was a loving, generous mother, making her sons and family her very top priority behind her dedicated faith and church involvement. Patricia loved to bake, watch her favorite Philly teams and cared for her dog. She was an avid bird lover and had several bird houses and feeders to happily watch them in action. Patricia's involvement with Pitman Road Church of Christ helped sustain her strong faith and sense of community."

Pat was well loved here, and we will miss her very much until we are reunited in heaven.

Funeral services were held this past Friday. Anyone wishing to send cards to Ted may send them to the address listed in the online church directory.

Ted asks that those who want to remember Pat in a special way, please make a memorial gift to our Capital Fund.

She's Back!

I want to thank everyone who prayed for and encouraged me over the last six weeks since I had surgery on my wrist. With all the serious illness, deaths, and chaos in this world, I didn't want to make a big deal of a minor surgery, but so many of you still took the time to reach out and pray. And I did feel your prayers!

I want to give a special thanks to Dottie, Andy, and Dan for making sure the bulletin was published each week.

I'm back in the office now, so you can send all of your bulletin announcements, LIFE group counts, etc. to me again. I've still got a bit of recovering to do, but I can work again, and it's great to be back!
-In Christ, **Annette**