



# PITMAN ROAD

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## Pitman Road 2018 Year in Review - Part Two

*If you missed part one of the 2018 Year in Review, you can find it in last week's bulletin (January 13), online at [www.pitmanroadcoc.com](http://www.pitmanroadcoc.com); click on the "Bulletin" icon on the homepage.*

### Month by Month Events and Activities

#### July

Pitman Road Church of Christ marches in the Pitman July Fourth Parade. Church parking lot open to the community for viewing of fireworks; REFUGE Band plays free outdoor concert and teens hand out hot dogs and water. Feeding the Hungry Meal in Trenton on 7/14. Family Promise Host Week, 7/15-22. Steve Pierre-Jacques and Manny Vander Vennen, along with a team of volunteers, complete installation of sound panels in the auditorium. Teens TIME Team trip to serve the Navajo Nation in Window Rock, AZ. Rebekah and Elizabeth Lazar direct Junior High 1 Week at Camp Manatawny, with a large contingent of PRCOC adults, teens, and children serving and camping. Barbara Robinson reports that over 200 were served by the Blanket Drive that we participated in last winter.



#### August

Craig and Katie Young make annual visit and present their France mission report. 2018-2019 PRCOC budget is presented. Manny Vander Vennen directs Elementary Week 1 at Camp Manatawny with another large group of PRCOC adults, teens, and children serving and camping. Je'Ani Lyles returns home and to church after 67 days of hospitalization and rehabilitation following her life changing accident! Andy Mychajlowycz delivers annual LIFE Group message and 2019-2019 LIFE Groups form.



#### September

First monthly men's breakfast. Regular activities resume after summer break. 2018-2019 LIFE Group Kick-off. Two special Wednesday Night Meals. Museum of The Bible bus trip led by Brian and Cindy Holden on 9/15; two full buses head to Washington, D.C. Annual

See You At The Pole prayer service led by Tim and Melody Davis. Claire Hutchinson departs for mission work in Japan. Fifth Sunday Pot Luck Lunch on 9/30, coordinated by Tony and Stephanie DeStefano.

#### October

Women's Night of Praise and Worship on 10/19. Women's Equip Ministry kicks off another three month prayer emphasis. Renovation begins on retention ponds. 40 Days of Prayer series begins; 50 prayer journals are distributed over the next few weeks. Fall Festival coordinated by Tim and Melody Davis. Final Family Promise Host Week of 2018; John and Kathy Ashton wrap up another year coordinating with a full house of guests. Trunk or Treat on 10/31, coordinated by Aaron and Jenn Pearl. Maggie Mansdoerfer collects clothing and toiletries for Veterans Haven.



#### November

Annual Thanksgiving Cards (lovingly made by Janet Betts and her team) are signed and sent out to 14 church friends, former members, missionaries and speakers. Carla Ortiz shares Je'Ani's story at REFUGE, 71 attend. Kareem Rutledge, Jr. begins attending worship services again after he returns home from 7 months of hospital and rehabilitation stays after his life changing accident! Wedding of

Keon and Imani Kleineweber at the church building on 11/17. Pack the Pulpit food collection coordinated by Dottie Grillo and Larry Kellum, Jr.; 55 families in our community are provided with Thanksgiving dinner baskets. Tina Broyles coordinates annual collection of "shoeboxes" for Operation Christmas Child; 80 boxes are filled by our members. Janet Betts and Dottie Grillo wrap up another year of "Bring Your Own Craft Days" which meet one Saturday, every other month.

#### December

Annual Cookie Exchange, hosted by Donna Lazar at her home. Update on Minister Selection Committee process; four candidates under consideration. Planning begins for Women's Ministry Prayer Program in February, 2019, coordinated by Mary Collier. Feeding the Hungry meal in Trenton. Ten families from Eleanor Corbett House are "adopted" by individuals and LIFE Groups and provided with Christmas gifts. Annual Winter Blanket Drive begins, coordinated by Barbara Robinson. American Red Cross Blood Drive on 12/14, coordinated by Mandy Mansdoerfer, with a goal of 19 units; 31 units are collected! 40 Days of Prayer concludes. Christmas Pancake Breakfast, coordinated by Tim and Melody Davis; over 40 visitors. Special worship service featuring a dramatic presentation of the Christmas story, coordinated by Diana Hutchinson with assistance from Emma Drummond and Mandy Mansdoerfer. Final worship service of the year features powerful testimony by Carla Ortiz and George Kenner.



## Our Mission

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

# From Daniel's Den

## What I Loved About Church Last Sunday!

While we had only 79 present for our Sunday morning worship, due to the snow and slick roads, I loved church this past Sunday. What did I love about it?

I loved that...

- both the singing and fellowship was spirit filled!
- our total live streaming viewing audience was the highest it has ever been.
- those present on that snow covered Sunday gave over \$6,000. I also loved that our December giving total was shared in the bulletin! And all of that giving revealed that our total shortfall for the first half of the fiscal year (July 1-Dec. 31, 2018) was only \$1,300. (We typically run substantially behind budget the first half of our fiscal year.)
- everyone sat close together and we all moved toward the front and center of the auditorium.
- Joe Marshall, Steve Pierre-Jacques, and Garth Hutchinson arrived to the building early and took care of all the sidewalks.
- our technology team got to church early, and had everything up and running in time for our live streaming! I love that we do "live streaming!"
- our communion preparers had communion done and ready to go on Sunday morning when we walked into the building.
- Dottie picked up the munchkins and "Munchkin Ministry" worked like a well-oiled machine.
- we had visitors.
- people didn't seem to want to leave at the end of church. So many just stayed around and visited.

Deep Love and Much Appreciation for this Church Family, **Dan**



**Dan Cooper**  
aka  
"Dan, Dan,  
the Preacherman"

"This is my command: Love one another the way I loved you.

This is the very best way to love. Put your life on the line for your friends."

-John 15:12-13  
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**Derrick Busch**  
Minister

"...the strength it takes to keep your secrets safe can be redirected to make a better life and a stronger you."

## We're All A Mess

*The Secrets Men Keep* by Stephen Arterburn

**Calling ALL brothers!** Our brother Justin Guy has been prayerfully working on deepening the spiritual fellowship of the men within the body here at Pitman. You will find within this week's bulletin, the details for the February 2 men's fellowship and breakfast which includes: the title of our book, the cost of the book, and our focused chapter for February 2. Check out the description of our book, *The Secrets Men Keep*.

"Whether they are sinful or simply not in your best interest. . .whether you wall them off or stuff them down deep, you are not alone. But as author Stephen Arterburn warns, secrets are also the most dangerous force within a man, so finding a way to deal with the unspoken fears and questions that threaten to undo you is among your most important tasks.

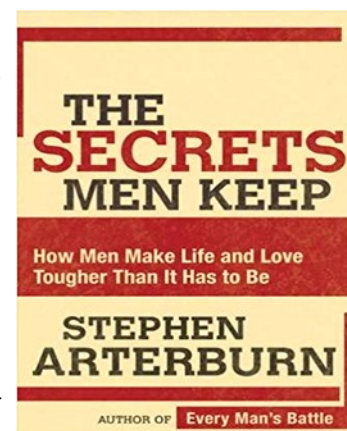
"In this book, the author of the million-selling *Every Man's Battle* series courageously exposes what nearly 4,000 men like you said they think, feel and question – about themselves, their work, their marriage and family, their finances, and their faith – but don't dare to talk about. He also affirms again and again that the strength it takes to keep your secrets safe can be redirected to make a better life and a stronger you.

"Throughout these pages, Arterburn not only fleshes out each of twenty-five secrets but gives perspective on: **Where those secrets come from**, **Why they feel so important**, and **How to respond to them**. . . to make life, love, work, and leadership easier for you and for everyone who loves you."

This is an opportunity to **be blessed**, and **be a blessing!** Bring a friend!

"As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another." -Proverbs 27:17

-Derrick





## Two **BIG** PRCOC Events Coming Up!

**YOU'RE INVITED!**

### **"Souper" Super Sunday Pre-Game Party!**

**Sunday, February 3**

Right after the worship service and the annual corporate meeting.

**All of our members and guests are invited to attend our annual "Souper" Sunday Pre-Game Party!**

Members are asked to bring, soup, chili, or sandwiches, enough for your family and to share.

**Please bring all hot food pre-heated!**

Beverages will be provided.

**Desserts will be provided by ministers', elders', and deacons' wives.**

Questions? Please see Tony or Stephanie DeStefano

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL CORPORATE MEETING:** As a nonprofit organization, recognized by the state of New Jersey as a tax exempt corporation, the state of NJ mandates that we meet annually. That being the case, our elders have selected the first Sunday of each February as the date for our annual meeting. Please consider this your written notification of our church's annual meeting, traditionally held on Super Bowl Sunday each year. If you are an active member of the Pitman Road Church of Christ, and in good standing, please consider yourself informed and invited to the **Pitman Church of Christ's annual corporate meeting, February 3, 2018, immediately after the morning worship service.**

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION



**IMPORTANT! NEXT Sunday, January 27**, the "Chili Run" will begin at the Carolina Blue parking lot. Pitman Road will be closed for a period of time beginning just before 10:00 am. **YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO GET TO OUR CHURCH BUILDING WHEN THE ROAD IS CLOSED.** Please plan to be at the church building no later than 9:45 am to guarantee that you will be able to get here for the worship service. The road will be reopened by the time the worship service is over.

Bring Your Own

## Craft Day

Saturday, January 26

Noon to 5:00 PM

in the Family Life Center

Snacks are provided!

Hope to see you there!



## Women's Prayer Program

### Grace Under Fire

"...My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness..."

-2 Corinthians 12:8-9

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23**

**8:30 am - 1:00**



**Guest Speaker:**  
**Margaret Robertson**

God speaks to our hearts through scriptures and prayer. One need not look far to see signs of strife and division in the fabric of life. Despite what goes on around us, God provides us with the power to maintain "Grace Under Fire." Join us as we delve deeper into scripture for the wisdom needed to rise above the chaos of the world.

This is a free event! Breakfast, lunch, and childcare are provided. **Please register at: [pitman-womens-prayer-program.eventbrite.com](http://pitman-womens-prayer-program.eventbrite.com)**

For information, contact:

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Just in case you hadn't heard....

goodnews

**Kareem & Dee**

**Rutledge are married!**

Derrick Busch performed a private ceremony on August 8 in Bushkill Falls, PA. They had a formal ceremony in Dee's hometown of Dayton, OH on October 20.

As a church family we just want to say **CONGRATULATIONS to you Kareem and Dee!**

## Men's Monthly Prayer Breakfast

Our Next Men's Prayer Breakfast is coming up on Saturday, February 2, at 8:00 am.

Men will meet together to pray and share in the first chapter of ***The Secrets Men Keep*** by Steve Arterburn. From that first chapter we'll discuss "Financial Security: Then and Now."

Both Dottie and Derrick Busch have copies of this excellent book, so see one of them to pick up your copy. Our price, and your price, for the book is \$15.

After prayer time, we will head out to Friendly's for our half price breakfast! Please join us. Great time to bring a friend. **-Dan**

## Our Schedule

### Sunday

9:00 am Bible Classes  
10:00 am Worship

### Wednesday

7:00 pm Bible Classes

### Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday  
8:30 am - 4:30 pm

## Last Week

Bible Class	Did not meet
Worship	79
LIFE Groups	NA
Wednesday	47



Today begins our  
Family Promise Host Week!  
Please respect the privacy of  
our guests!

## This Week's Prayer Requests

### Prayer Requests:

**Dwight Thompson** was again admitted to Virtua in Voorhees on Wednesday, and was likely to be transferred to U of Penn in Philadelphia within a few days. He is on oxygen to ease breathing difficulties. Prayers are appreciated. No visits please.

**Anne Peoples** had surgery Wednesday to repair a hip fracture; a metal pin was inserted. The surgery was only an hour, but the rehab will be significant. The family is asking for prayers.

**Bill Carney**, Barbara's husband, is hospitalized at Jefferson, Washington Twp. due to an infection.

**Barbara Robinson's sister** had a fall while she was in the hospital; she broke her collar bone and shoulder.

**Je'Ani Lyles** was hospitalized for cellulitis last week, and is now home. Please prayer for her to heal and remain infection free.

**Judy Fitzpatrick**, Chris Fitzpatrick's wife, radiation treatments for throat cancer.

**Steve De Prince**, recovering from nerve and tendon transfer surgery on his right arm.

**Jessie Burrell**, Mary Collier's sister, recovery from amputation of her leg below the knee.

**Debby Durham** at home recovering from foot surgery.

**Amanda Collier**, sister of Lee Collier, heart surgery recovery.

Please continue to remember in your prayers **Larry Kellum, Sr., Gwen Phillip, Dwight Thompson, Linda Prenger, Patti Frambes, and Doug Oliver** as they receive treatment for/ recover from cancer, as well as **Kareem Rutledge, Jr. and Je'Ani Lyles** in the rehabilitation from life

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**Elder on Call for January and February: Dave Perine**

## Serving Us Today

Nursery	TBA
Kids For Christ	Carla Clements
Jr. Worship	Brian Mansdoerfer
Greeters: Front Entrance	George & Cookie Rowe
Greeters: Back Entrance	Joe Marshall
Information Center	Jackie Fenton
Ushers	John & Corey Peoples
Shepherd's Call	Mike Broyles
Song Leader	Garth Hutchinson

LIFE Group	Location	Contact
Ageless	Sheehan's at noon	215-901-3113
Brook Besor	Durham's Tuesday at 7 pm	856-589-2280
Circle of Sisters	Sbaraglia's Monday at 7 pm	856-419-0544
Covenant	Mychajlowyczs' at 5:30 pm	908-294-4056
Hammonton	Broyles' at 1:00 pm	609-320-9260
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	Not meeting today.	
Teens	Church Bldg. at noon	610-476-9057
Vineland	H. Pearls' at 6 pm	856-839-0051
Women in the Word	Church Bldg. FLC, Tues. 9:45 am	856-981-9754
Young Married	Church Bldg. at noon	856-899-9466

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## Thank You

**Mary and Lea Collier** want to thank the church family for the prayers during the lost of Mary's uncle and her sister's leg amputation surgery. They also appreciate your prayers as they traveled to Michigan and Illinois over the last couple of weeks. Mary's uncle was like a father to her. She wants you to know that her sister is recovering well from the surgery, and adjusting well, and the family is so grateful for all your prayers.

## Employment Opportunity

We are hiring again in the Naval Foundry and Propeller Center. This search is for Mechanical Engineers (both for manufacturing and foundry) as well as Engineering Technicians (measurement). NFPC is also hiring Quality Assurance Specialists and NDT Inspectors. If you know anyone with a Mechanical Engineering degree or experience as a Quality Assurance Specialist or NDT technician or specific experience with laser measurement equipment and CAD, please have them send a resume to me at [anthony.destefano@navy.mil](mailto:anthony.destefano@navy.mil) and Nathan Bird at [nathaniel.bird@navy.mil](mailto:nathaniel.bird@navy.mil) or direct them to see Mr. Bird at the job fair on January 26th. NFPC will be hosting a job fair on January 26th from 10:00am-3:00pm at the DoubleTree by Hilton at the Philadelphia Airport.

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