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...Beginning TODAY!

See the back page of the bulletin for day, time, and locations for all groups!



Join us for an old fashioned Potluck Lunch after Testimonial Fifth Sunday!
Plan to stay for a lunch and a time of fellowship.
Bring your favorite main course or side dish to share!

Please bring all hot food PREHEATED!

Beverages will be provided. Desserts provided by elders' and deacons' wives.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! • HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Our Mission

From Daniel's Den

A Sunday Christian Worship Assembly in the 2nd Century

Have you ever wondered what a typical Sunday Worship Assembly might have looked/felt like in the second century? How closely do we follow the example and practice of the early Christians when it comes to our public assembly time?

"All those who have possessions come to the aid of all those who are poor, and we are always at one with each other. For everything that has been given to our use, we praise the Creator of all things through His Son Jesus Christ and through the Holy Spirit. On the day that is dedicated to the sun, all those who live in the cities or who dwell in the countryside gather in a common meeting, and for as long as there is time, the Memoirs of the Apostles (the Gospels) or the writings of the prophets are read.

Then, when the reader has finished, the president verbally gives a warning and an appeal for the imitation of these good examples of these good deeds. Then, we all rise together and offer prayers, and as we said before, when our prayer is ended, bread is brought forward along with wine and water, the president gives thanks to the best of his ability, and the people call out their assent, saying the Amen. Then, there is the distribution of each and the participation in the Eucharistic elements, which are also sent with the deacons to those who are absent.

Those who are wealthy and who wish to do so, contribute whatever they themselves are willing to give and the contribution is placed with the president who aids orphans and widows and those who, for any other cause, are in need, and those who are imprisoned, and the sojourners who are sojourning with us--and in short, he takes care of all who are in need."

Justin (d. 165 A.D.), martyred in Rome, composed his first Apology (defense) of the Christian Faith around 155 A.D. and addressed it to the Roman Emperor Antoninus Pius.

This description deeply touched me,

- Dan the Preacherman



Dan Cooper aka "Dan, Dan, the Preacherman"

"For everything that has been given to our use, we praise the Creator of all things through His Son Jesus Christ and through the Holy Spirit."



Dave Perine Elder

Join us as we reset and make it a season of being here to meet others and together be transformed into the image of Christ!

Shepherd's Voice

Reset

For everything there is a season, a time for every activity under heaven. - Ecclesiastes 3:1

Summer is a special time! Warm weather, lots of daylight, vacations, fresh produce, grilled dinners, the shore, and the boardwalk. These are some of things that New Jersians enjoy in the summer. Labor Day weekend marks the "unofficial" end of our summer season here, and marks a reset back into routine for most of us. That routine may include regular work and school schedules, and those first couple of weeks can be rough! But then we fall back into our regular rhythm, and life goes on as usual. This is a great time to reset and renew commitment to participate in congregational life at Pitman Road!

One of the most exciting things happening at Pitman Road is the new children's Bible program on Sunday mornings called Orange! Our congregation has always put children's Bible education as a top priority, updating the program as needed. A lot of effort has been put into implementing this new curriculum, so we hope families will take advantage. There is also a new Women's Book Club (you can find information here in the bulletin.) And of course we have resumed Munchkin Ministry, Kids for Christ, Junior Worship, and LIFE Groups. Men's and Women's Bible Studies are also resuming, and Men's prayer times continue. Coming later this month is "Testimonial Sunday" and a fellowship lunch. And soon we will have another Family Promise Host Week. And of course there's worship and Bible classes on Sunday, and Bible classes on Wednesday evening.

Admittedly, Annette and I have gotten out of our own routines of participation here. But we are recommitting to being more present when we are at home. So I'm writing this as much to us as to anyone else! There's a lot to participate in and ways to serve here at Pitman Road. Join us as we reset and make it a season of being here to meet others and together being transformed into the image of Christ!

Congratulations, Keon and Imani Kleineweber!



Keon and Imani are proud to introduce their baby girl, **Ilori Sapphire Kleineweber!** Ilori entered the world on August 5th. She is small, mighty, and well loved. Mom and baby are doing great. Congratulations, to this beautiful family!

60th Anniversary Church Cookbook



Would you like to be a part of our 60th Anniversary Church Cookbook?

Pick up a recipe card at the Welcome Center, fill it out, and bring it back along with the dish

that you bring to the **Fifth Sunday Potluck on Sunday, September 29th**. You can drop your recipe card off at the Welcome Center!



Women's Book Club Begins Sept. 24th!

Please plan to join us for a

Women's Book Club on Tuesday, September 24th at 6:30 pm at the home of Gloria Myerson in Sewell. We will discuss the book "Everybody Always" by Bob Goff, 240 pages, \$9.85 paperback on Amazon.

This book club is intended as a time of fellowship and stimulating discussion for women, but it does not fill the role of a LIFE group. We will be meeting 5 or 6 times per year.

Please see **Brenda Busch** and **Gloria Myerson** for more info!

Women in the Word Resumes Tuesday



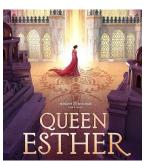
A.K.A. TUESDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Would you like a women's Bible study that focuses only on scripture, not on a study guide? Would you like a Bible study that delves deeply into the Word, where the teach-

er is not in a hurry to finish, but explores the characters in depth? Where no question is too simple or too complex?

We invite you to join our loving group as we embark on a study of Exodus. As always, our first few classes will focus on an overview of the Bible, reinforcing the basics that everyone needs to know.

TIME: Tuesday mornings, 9:45-11:45 LOCATION: Family Life Center CHILD CARE: Tammy Cerquoni



We have a bus trip scheduled to see "Queen Esther" at Sight & Sound Theatre on Saturday, April 4, 2020. The cost is \$125 for adults and \$60 for children (ages 4-12).

The cost includes show, bus and dinner at Shady Maple restaurant. There is a sign up sheet at the welcome center. There are 153 tickets available. All money is due by January 18, 2020.

For additional information please contact Brian Holden. (H) 856-881-6792 (C) 856-759-2542 e-mail: bcholden94@hotmail.com

Men's Bible Study Resumes Tomorrow



Men's Bible Study will be starting up again Monday, September 9th! From then on, it will take place every Monday evening from 7:00 - 8:15 pm. They will be revisiting chapter 12 of Revelation. This group is regularly attended by men from the church and several visitors from the area. We will meet in The

Conference Room. Snacks, coffee, and other hot beverages will be served. **Please plan to join us for this wonderful time of fellowship, bible study, and prayer.**

Camp Manatawny- Men's Retreat



Friday, Sept. 27th & Saturday, Sept. 28th

This is a great opportunity for young men to focus on their spiritual life and develop their faith along with peers, their fathers, and other men! The

youth will have their own special program and lessons and are highly encouraged to attend.

Cost: **Only \$35**! * Cost for Boys 12 and Under: Only \$10 * (plus a \$4 processing fee on all registrations)

Includes a light dinner, snacks, program, activities, 1 night seasonal cabin lodging, breakfast and lunch on Saturday. Go to manatawny.org for the schedule, to register, or for more info.



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	124
Worship	NC
LIFE Groups	NA
Wednesday	NC

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Serving Us Today

Nursery TBD

Kids For Christ Robin Steward

Jr. Worship Callie Peacher

Greeters: Front Entrance Mary Frock & Larry Peterson
Greeters: Back Entrance Frank & Sandy Sheehan
Information Center Donna Mychajlowycz

Ushers TBE

Shepherd's Call Garth Hutchinson
Song Leader Mike Broyles

LIFE Group	Location	Contact
Ageless	Mychajlowyczs' at noon	908-294-4056
Brook Besor	Durham's Tuesday at 7 pm	856-589-2280
Circle of Sisters	Sbaraglias' Monday at 7 pm	856-419-0544
Hammonton	Ashtons' at 6 pm	609-214-8522
Men's Bible Study	Church Bldg. Monday at 7 pm	856-217-3956
Refreshed b/c Christ	Church Bldg. rm B4 at noon	267-303-4877
Solid Gold	NOT MEETING TODAY	
Teens	Church Bldg, at noon	610-476-9057
Vineland	Pearls' at 6 pm	609-805-0228
Women in the Word	Church Bldg. FLC, Tues. 9:45 am	856-981-9754
Young Adults	Hutchinsons' Friday at 6:30 pm	609-414-2606
Young Married	Church Bldg. rm B2 at noon	856-899-9466

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This Week's Prayer Requests

Prayer Requests:

Glenn Ziegler, Melody Davis' dad, very large kidney stone as well as an aneurysm on the aorta leaving his heart. He had surgery on his kidney, but they couldn't break up the stone because of infection. They must wait until his kidney function is back to normal to fix the aneurysm, so for now they just put a stent in.

Jane, Hope DeStefano's grandmother who suffered a stroke, is hopefully going home very soon. She has regained most of her strength. Please pray for Jane and her husband as they prepare to adjust to life at home.

Diana Ford, sister of Jayne Schofield who is recovering from surgery for colon cancer, is in Genesis Rehab in Millville. She is in room 404B. **Frankie George**, a little boy who Marlene Patterson is requesting prayers for, cannot fight off an infection with the medications the doctors are using. Is facing more severe surgical intervention. **Gary**, Sandy Sheehan's ex-husband, was moved to Atrium Rehab is moving along slowly. He has to learn how to walk again due to complications.

Bob, Sandy Sheehan's brother, infection is gone but he still has a blood clot in his leg that is causing a lot of pain.

Cliff Dando, cellulitis has improved, but he is falling a lot due to vertigo. He would appreciate our prayers!

Wilma Gillespie, mother of Elinda Hunter, in a nursing home rehab center for physical therapy as she recovers from injuries due to a fall. Thank you for the continued prayers!

Please continue to pray for Clare Hightower, Patti Frambes, Doug Oliver, Elinda Hunter, and Linda Prenger, as they receive treatment for/recover from cancer, as well as Kareem Rutledge, Jr. and Je'Ani Lyles in their rehabilitation/recovery from life changing injuries.

Can You Help?

Barbara Robinson is extremely grateful for those who have brought her a meal, and she even had enough to freeze some. However, she has since finished all of the meals, and her vision is still not good enough to cook. If you are able to provide a meal, please contact Lucy Fair. You can either bring the prepared meal to the church building and Lucy or Mary Collier will deliver it to Barbara, or you can call Barbara directly and drop the meal off on a personal visit. Thank you in advance for your assistance!

WAYS TO GIVE







Via the easyTithe mobile app.



On our
website at
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Text to Give Text amount to 856.209.6212