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Here at Pitman Road, we want to make a difference! Between now and the end of 2018, there are a number of opportunities for each of us to create our own MAD (Make A Difference) Moment!

Choices of the Heart Earlier this year, we supported the *Choices of the Heart* Baby Bottle campaign. You now have an opportunity to learn more about this organization, and ways to support them with your time and finances. **Melody Schools** has arranged for the church to host a table at their **2018 Annual Fundraising Gala on Thursday, October 25**, at **Lucien's, 81 W. White Horse Pike, Berlin, NJ 08009**. Seating begins at 6:30 pm, dinner at 7:00 pm.

The keynote speaker is **Kirk Cameron**. Your cost to attend is a freewill offering.



If you are interested, call or text Melody at 856-904-4465. She will also be at the Welcome Center on Sunday if you would like to speak to her then.

Family Promise Our final host week of 2018 is coming up at the end of this month: **Sunday, October 28 to November 4**. The faithful coordinator for this ministry, **John Ashton**, is waiting in the lobby each Sunday morning to assist you in signing up for the many volunteer slots that are still open. If you are unable to volunteer for this host week, you will have four opportunities to do so in 2019 as well!



Operation Christmas Child Once again this year, we have an opportunity to bless a child in need with a gift for the holiday season. If you haven't heard yet we are filling boxes this year for Operation Christmas Child. Pick up your boxes in the lobby, sign your name on the clipboard, and have fun filling your box for a special child! You can go to samaritanspur.org to learn more about this project and how to pack a shoe box, or contact **Tina Broyles** at 609-320-0534 or see her in the lobby. **The deadline to turn in your boxes is November 18.**



Pack the Pulpit Our annual event to collect food items for the 60 or more Thanksgiving dinner baskets that we give to local families in need will happen on **November 18**. This outreach effort is coordinated each year by **Dottie Grillo**. Be on the look out for **shopping bag and attached list of items** being collected, they will be available soon! Right after worship that morning, our teens will sort and pack all of the Thanksgiving baskets for distribution that afternoon.



Red Cross Blood Drive The second of two blood drives we host each year will be on **Friday, December 14, 2:00 to 7:00 pm**. **Mandy Mansdoerfer** is our Red Cross blood drive coordinator. Give the gift of life this year for the holidays!



American Red Cross

Appointments are not required, but are encouraged. Sign up information will be available next month.

Please mark your calendars with these opportunities now! More opportunities to "make a difference" before the close of 2018 will surely arise. Check the bulletin and emails regularly!

Our Mission

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

From Daniel's Den

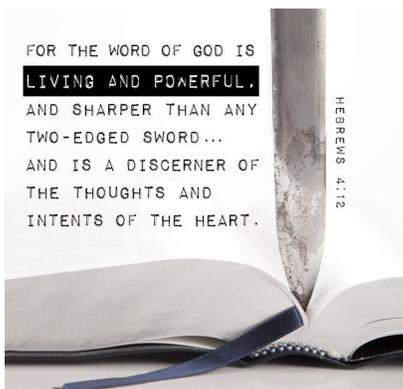
Sharper, just really, really sharp!

What has the Bible done for you lately?

Has the Bible given you peace? Has it made you feel guilty? Has it caused you to make a generous donation? Has it caused you to help a homeless person? Has it led you to help an orphan or an immigrant? Has it helped you to be a better husband? A better wife? A better teen? A better employee or employer? Has it helped you to be more compassionate? Has it caused you to change any priorities? Has it motivated you to be a more Christ-like human being? Has it led you to an understanding of how to be "born again?"

If reading the Bible has done none of the above, you are not reading the Bible right!

For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account. - Hebrews 4:12-13



When you read the Bible correctly, it will cut you. It will change you! It will motivate you to be something other than what you were before you read it. Reading the Bible is pivotal if you are to be transformed into what God wants you to be. Reading and living the Bible does not change you into a "milk and toast" man, but it will turn you into an iron man. Living the Bible does not change you into a weak and powerless woman, but it turns you into a woman of strength and character. The Bible will change your thoughts and intentions, if you read it correctly. Read it, study it, and share it with others and the changes are even more dramatic.

-Dan the Bible Preaching-man



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

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Derrick Busch
Minister

"The Practice of Godliness" Seeking God - Part 3

This is the final installment of the 3-part series in effort to encourage us towards godly living; as we focus our hearts and minds meditatively on God's attributes. Again, this meditation is modified from allaboutgod.com.

Justice: The Bible says that God is just, but it is His character that defines what being just really is. He does not conform to some outside criteria. Being just brings moral equity to everyone. When there are evil acts, justice demands there be a penalty. Since God is perfect and has never done evil, no penalty would ever be necessary; however, because of His love, God paid the penalty for our evil deeds by going to the cross Himself. His justice needed to be satisfied, but He took care of it for all who will believe in Jesus.

Mercy: "Mercy is the attribute of God which disposes Him to be actively compassionate." Since God's justice is satisfied in Jesus, He is free to show mercy to all those who have chosen to follow Him. It will never end since it is a part of God's nature. Mercy is the way He desires to relate to mankind, and He does so unless the person chooses to despise or ignore God at which time His justice becomes the prominent attribute.

Eternal: In some ways, this fact about God is similar to His self-existence. God always has been and will forever be, because God dwells in eternity. Time is His creation. It is why God can see the end from the beginning, and why He is never surprised by anything. If He were not eternal, God's promise of eternal life for those who follow Jesus would have little value.

Gracious: God enjoys giving great gifts to those who love Him, even when they do not deserve it. Grace is the way we describe that inclination. Jesus Christ is the channel through which His grace moves. The Bible says, "The law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ."

Meditate on God's: Immutable, Goodness and Omnipresence **-Derrick**

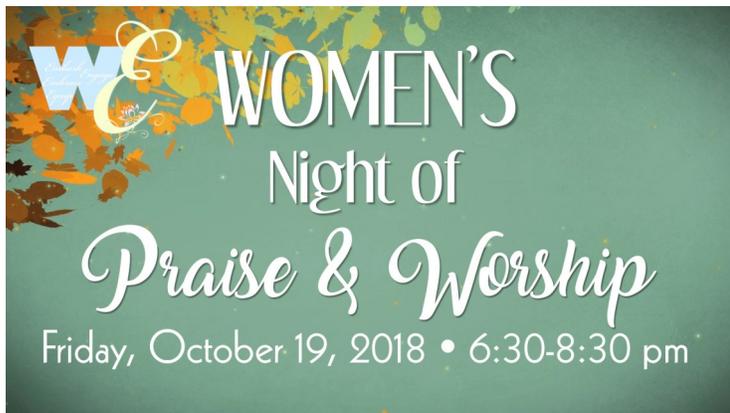
Focus our hearts and minds on God's attributes:

- Justice
- Mercy
- Eternal
- Gracious

We're All A Mess



Initiation Flyers Available for These Events at the Welcome Center! Invite Someone!



WOMEN'S
Night of
Praise & Worship
Friday, October 19, 2018 • 6:30-8:30 pm

Let's spend time together, encourage one another, and give praises to our God at a special night of praise and worship with the women of the Pitman Road Church of Christ.

The evening will include:

- ♥ Fellowship time with snacks for the first half hour.
- ♥ Contemporary Christian music videos from musical artists like Lauren Daigle, Casting Crowns, and Mercy Me.
- ♥ Devotional thoughts to remind us we are loved by an awesome God, scriptures, prayers.

ALL women are welcome. Bring a friend!
Sign up at the Welcome Center.

Announcements and Requests

The Fentons will have family visiting from the U.K. for Thanksgiving and **would like to borrow the following:**

- **Three car seats:** one front facing for toddler age 2, and two for twin infants age 6 months;
 - Up to **three high chairs.**
 - **Dates needed: November 15 - 24.**
- Contact Jackie Fenton directly if you can lend any of these items.

Sean Xiao is looking for work (part time or full time) in the field of business/finance. This is an immediate need! It can be a paid position or an internship (paid or unpaid), minimum 20 hours per week, working in his field. Sean completed an MBA program last spring. Dan Cooper and Garth and Diana Hutchinson know Sean well, and would be delighted to recommend him. If you have openings or know of possibilities, please contact Sean immediately at (214) 385-0673 or seaneva000@gmail.com

The following items are available to be given away for free:

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| 2 scooters | 1 shower seat |
| 2 bedside toilets | 2 wheelchairs |
| 1 raised toilet seat (new) | 1 walker |
| 2 step helpers | 1 bedside tray |
| 1 eating table seat | |

If interested, please contact Brenda Peoples at 856-728-0307.

For a school service project, Maggie Mansdoerfer is collecting new clothing, socks, hats, gloves, etc., as well as toiletries (deodorant, body wash, soap, shampoo, etc.) for a shelter for homeless veterans. She is hoping to collect these items quickly.



Wednesday,
October 24
7:00 - 8:30 pm

Fall Festival!

FREE Fun and Games for children ages 2—12!
Indoor Event!

This is a family event, so please plan to accompany your children through the activities and enjoy the evening together!



TRUNK OR TREAT
SAFE FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

WEDNESDAY,
OCTOBER 31
6:15-7:00 PM

Rain or Shine!

A safe, traffic free environment for your children to Trick or Treat!
Please accompany your children through the parking lot while they Trick or Treat.
Refreshments for all will be provided inside our building.

Anything you can give will be appreciated. Speak to Maggie or Mandy if you have questions or to donate. Thank you!

The Christian Chronicle publishes stories of interest having to do with churches of Christ around the world. We like for all of our members to receive it, and we want you to receive a FREE copy. The church sends an annual contribution to help defray the cost to all of our members, plus many of us make regular donations to help support this excellent periodical. If you would like to receive a free copy, please provide your name and mailing information on the sign up sheet at the Welcome Center.

Newfield National Bank just sent our church a check for \$25. Why? Because one of our members opened an account at the new Pitman branch and mentioned that they were members of our church. The bank agreed to send a check for \$25 to our church for every new account opened. This offer is good until the end of October. In doing so, you will donate \$25 to our church, and it does not cost you one penny!



Getting Married!

Chris Fitzpatrick is getting married! He will be marrying his fiancé, Judy Johnston, on Monday, October 22 at the Mantua Township court building at 8:30 am. All are invited to attend!!! Congratulations Chris and Judy!

| Our Schedule | |
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| 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 | |
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| Bible Class | 106 |
| Worship | 183 |
| LIFE Groups | 120 |
| Wednesday | 37 |

| Giving for September | |
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| September GOAL | \$49,150.00 |
| Total September Contribution | \$49,364.00 |
| Fiscal YTD GOAL thru September | \$137,620.00 |
| Fiscal YTD Contribution thru September | \$137,879.00 |

This Week's Prayer Requests

Dwight Thompson, PRAISES! Lung biopsy results showed no cancer, just scar tissue.

Irene Baur, Brian Kleineweber's mother, suffered a stroke on October 1, Brian and Suzanne are traveling to Denver to be with her. Please pray for Irene's recovery and the Kleineweber's safe travel.

Larry Kellum, Sr., treatment for MDS. He's been dealing with fever and infection.

Doug Oliver, out of the hospital and doing better; awaiting results from scans. He sees the dr. on October 17.

La 'Verne Daniels at home recovering from foot surgery.

Patti Frambes, pancreatic cancer. Chemotherapy begins tomorrow, Oct. 15. Cards, phone calls, and prayers are greatly appreciated; 114 Wild Oaks Dr., Salem, NJ 08079; 856-935-1169.

Barby Jo Crema, requesting continued prayers on her behalf.

Lynne Sbaraglia, recovery at home for hip replacement surgery.

Albert Betts recovering from two back surgeries.

Linda Prenger, continuing her radiation and chemo treatments. Please pray for her complete healing and emotional wellbeing.

Je'Ani Lyles, continues rehabilitation at home.

Kareem Rutledge, Jr. rehabilitation at Magee in Phila.

Gwen Phillip, continues treatment for metastatic breast cancer.

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Elder on Call for October: Mike Lazar

Serving Us Today

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| Nursery | Judi Campbell |
| Kids For Christ | Robin Steward |
| Jr. Worship | Brian Mansdoerfer/Harry Ake |
| Greeters: Front Entrance | Horatio & Jackie Fenton |
| Greeters: Back Entrance | Larry & Lea Ann Kellum |
| Information Center | Brenda Peoples |
| Ushers | Larry Peterson & Harold Pearl |
| Shepherd's Call | Mike Broyles |
| Song Leader | Garth Hutchinson |

| LIFE Group | Location | Contact |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Ageless | Sheehans' at noon | 215-901-3113 |
| Brook Besor | Durham's Tuesday at 7 pm | 856-589-2280 |
| Circle of Sisters | Sbaraglia's at 7 pm | 856-419-0544 |
| Covenant | Mychajlowyczs' at 5:30 pm | 908-294-4056 |
| Hammonton | Destefano's at 6 pm | 609-567-9607 |
| 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 | Rowes' at 12:30 pm | 856-881-2158 |
| Teens | Church Bldg. at noon | 610-476-9057 |
| Vineland | DePrinces' at 6 pm | 856-293-1011 |
| 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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Album Release Weekend

Friday, November 2: Panel Discussion, 7:30-9:30pm

Saturday November 3: Concert & Dessert Social, 6:00-8:30 pm

Contact oneaccordebcoc@gmail.com for more information.



Praise & Harmony Workshop Led by Keith Lancaster

November 10, 2018 • 1:00-3:00 pm
Lehigh Valley Church of Christ
3400 Brodhead Rd., Bethlehem, PA 18020
610-691-1116

Don't miss this wonderful workshop led by nationally known a cappella worship leader **Keith Lancaster**. We'd love to take a group from our church. If interested, please see **Dan, Mike Broyles, or Garth Hutchinson**.