

PITMAN ROAD

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Happy Memorial Day!

We honor the memory of service members
and their families who have sacrificed
to protect the freedom we enjoy.

New Summer Quarter Classes Begin Next Sunday!

2016 Summer Quarter

June, July, August

Sunday

Location	Intended For	Topic	Teachers
B-1	Lavender Ladies	Ecclesiastes	Mary Lea Thompson, Yvonne Pearl
B-2	Adults	Children Mean The World to God	Dan Cooper
B-3 Chapel	Adults	Why So Many Gods?	Carlos Isaziga, Rob Weltzin
B-4	Adults	Healing Is A Choice	Derrick Busch
Parke Place	Senior Saints	Worship	Jay Schneider

Wednesday

Location	Intended For	Topic	Teachers
B-1	Adults	Barnabas Group	Donna Lazar, Fran Point
B-2	Young Adults	Do Not Be Afraid	Mike Broyles
B-4	Adults	A Walk Through Thessalonians	John Peoples, Brian Holden
B-3 Chapel	Adults	On The Night Jesus Was Betrayed	Andy Mychajlowycz

Please be sure to join us for the new Bible class quarter beginning next Sunday. We have some classes that are continuing, and we have some great new classes! See page 3 for detailed adult class descriptions.

Our Mission

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

From Daniel's Den



Remembering the Past...Celebrating the Future!

After our France Mission trip in 2014, Bud and Barbara Britton, along with a small group of us, visited the Normandy American Cemetery and Memorial. (A life changing experience.) This weekend our nation remembers those who have made the ultimate sacrifice. And we should! Men and women died last year, 70, 150, and 240 years ago, that we might live free today!

God commanded Israel to remember their exodus from Egypt in the annual Passover celebration. Fourteen hundred years later during the observance of the Passover in Jerusalem, Jesus took bread and wine and gave it new significance. He told his disciples twice, "Do this in remembrance of me." Jesus does not want us to forget him. Remembrance of Jesus is not like remembering deceased relatives or important national persons who are gone. The remembrance of Jesus celebrates the living presence of Jesus in our lives. In the first century, the apostles and the church never looked back to remember "the good old days when Jesus used to be with us but now he's gone." No. They praised a living Lord, celebrated present communion with him and looked forward to his coming again. (Adapted from Calvin W.)

Simultaneously Remembering and Celebrating, **Dan**



Dan Cooper
aka
"Dan, Dan,
the Preacherman"

Jesus does
not want us
to forget
him.

Carlos' Corner

Closing The Gap

HOW YOU CAN GIVE



In Person at our services



Via Easytithes Mobile App



On our website at pitmanroadcoc.com



Text to give
Text amount to 856.209.6212



So, money is not something I like to talk about a whole lot. Who does? But that's not really important. What's important is the opportunity that we will all have to close the gap on June 5th. Like all budgets, personal, family, or business, they sometimes need a little extra help.

Our church operates off of an annual budget. A lot of ministry happens because of our church and our church's budget. Many people are served, helped, & loved by the contribution that you give. There is no doubt that God is doing something at the Pitman Road church. What's more exciting is what God is preparing us for. He has marvelous plans for our church and our communities.

Do you believe in what God is doing here? Do you believe in what He is planning on doing? Mark Richt, new head football coach of the Miami Hurricanes, just made a decision to donate \$1 million of his salary toward the school's football program. Why would he do that? He believes in what he and the program are doing.

We have made it really easy for you to give at our church. You can write a check or give cash at our services. It's also as easy as texting, going online, or downloading an app. You can also set up reoccurring giving via the app or online.

I know of members who have already made a decision to up their giving on June 5th. Some will double, and even triple, their regular giving amount. May we be praying, thinking and planning about how we will help close the gap on June 5th.

And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others. -2 Corinthians 9: 8

Abundant grace & truth, **Carlos**

Appointment of Additional Elders... The Prayerful Process Continues

This past Sunday morning Mike Lazar, one of our current elders, revealed the work of the Holy Spirit as he announced the names of those who were designated by the congregation to join our current elders. With over one hundred forms completed, and over two dozen names suggested at least once, these three names were repeated with the greatest frequency:

Brian Holden Garth Hutchinson John Peoples

There was a notable gap in the number of nominations between these three men and the rest of those whose names were submitted.

God willing, these three will join with our current elders (Mike Broyles, Horatio Fenton, Mike Lazar, Dave Perine and Dwight Thompson) in shepherding God's flock at Pitman Road. (God willing, Greg Krinks will join Linda in Tennessee sometime in the near future.)

Our congregation is asked to pray for and encourage these three families, and to share any concerns with these prospective elders between now and June 5th. (If you still have concerns after you've spoken directly to any of the three men, at that point you are encouraged to speak to one of the current shepherds.) On Saturday, June 11th, we will collectively observe another time of fasting and prayer, and then the new elders will be appointed on Sunday, June 12 during a special worship assembly.

Women's Ministry



Cindy Holden has planned a "Women's Day Out" to Lancaster County on Saturday, June 18 for fun and shopping!

We will leave from the church building at 8:00 am and plan to return by 7:00 pm. A sign up sheet is located at the Information Center. **Please sign up by Sunday, June 12** so we will be able to arrange transportation. Cindy says, **"Let's go enjoy the day together in one of my favorite places in the country!"**

Our schedule:

8:00 am - Leave from church (church van and carpool as needed)

9:30 am - Arrive at the outlets (Rockvale of Tanger - choose when you sign up)

Lunch on your own at the outlets

1:30 pm - Leave for Bird-in-Hand (Farmers Market, bakery and more!)

3:30 pm - Kitchen Kettle Village or Quilt & Craft shop (choose when you sign up)

5:30 pm - Head for home!

7:00 pm - Arrive at church building.

Please join us for a

"Prayer Celebration!"

... A time for sharing our experiences with one another in prayer ...

When: Saturday, June 11
9:30am to 11:30am

Where: Pitman Road Family Life Center

What: Prayer, sharing, fellowship
... and brunch!

Who: Women who have participated in our 3 month prayer groups/partners
AND those who would like to know more about prayer groups for this fall!

RSVP REQUESTED!

Brenda Busch:

646-258-5031 or bhall727@optonline.net OR

Diana Hutchinson:

856-381-9095 or drh13013@gmail.com

Thank you!

Engage Women's Ministry is in **IMMEDIATE** need of a leader willing coordinate a Meal Ministry. There's an ongoing need in our congregation to provide meals for those with illnesses or injuries. If you're willing to organize this ministry, please see, email, or text, **Brenda Peoples or Andrea Olley**. We have some suggestions to help you get this ministry off the ground. If this is something you'd consider, please pray and then contact us.



**Outdoor Work Day
Saturday, June 18th
at 9:00 am**

We want to spruce up our building so it's looking it's best for our upcoming VBS. Bud Britton is looking for some hard working folks to help with weeding and spreading a truck load of mulch. He hopes to have everything finished up by early afternoon. Show up at 9 am and there will be donuts!

Summer Quarter Adult Classes



Sunday mornings at 9:00 am

Children Mean The World To God - Dan Cooper - Family Life Center

Because of one VBS teacher named Mildred Stutzman, a little 12 year old kid named Harold started going to church. Harold eventually became a Christian, went to a Christian college, earned a degree, then an advanced degree in the Old Testament, and little Harold eventually became a Christian college president. How did that happen? Mrs. Stutzman and a little church in Western PA invested in children. Come and learn more about how very important children are to God.

Lavender Ladies/Ecclesiastes - Mary Lea Thompson and Yvonne Pearl - Room B1

The Lavender Ladies Bible classes are designed for our "Senior Saint" women. This quarter, the study of the book of Ecclesiastes will continue. Join us as we deepen our understanding of God's Word.

Why So Many Gods? - Carlos Isaziga and Rob Weltzin - Room B3/Chapel

How do we respond to a world with over 4,000 religions and belief systems? In our class this summer our goal is to be familiarized with some of those religions. Why? One simple reason. To relate with people of other religions in a way that opens doors for us to help them meet Jesus.

Healing Is A Choice - Derrick Busch - Room B4

Do you struggle physically, spiritually, mentally and or emotionally? Are you burdened by the pressures of life and find yourself on the verge of hopelessness? Our God is amazing in ALL of His attributes! The power to heal and or be at peace and rest in all of these areas is in God's hands. But here's the question, "Do you want to be well?" In John 5, Jesus went to Jerusalem for one of the Jewish festivals and encountered many people who were sick, blind, and lame. One particular man had been there for 38 years. Jesus asked him a pivotal question, "Do you wish to get well?" Explore and discuss the practicality of God's word with Stephen Arterburn's ten choices crucial to receiving healing and ten lies that can prevent us from making them.

Parke Place Worship - Jay Schneider - at Parke Place

Join a worship assembly each Sunday morning at Parke Place on Delsea Drive (near our old Church building). If you would like to support or to help lead this time of worship, your participation would be welcome. So thankful for our faithful saints that have supported this outreach for years, and we'd love more participation from our church family.

Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm

Barnabas Group - Donna Lazar and Fran Point - Room B1

Barnabas of the New Testament was an encourager. The goal of our Barnabas Group is to spread encouragement! The group accomplishes this goal through cards to our members, their family and friends, and our guests. Birthdays, illness, anniversary, etc., you'll probably hear from our Barnabas Group! Join us as we share God's love.

Do Not Be Afraid - Young Adults- Mike Broyles - Room B2

Have you ever been stressed, worried, or uncertain? Me too, but God doesn't want us to live in fear. Come and discuss God's "Do not be afraid" passages and be encouraged.

On the Night Jesus Was Betrayed - Andy Mychajlowycz - Room B3/Chapel

Jesus knew his time on earth was drawing to a close. In the weeks leading up to his final arrival in Jerusalem, his teaching became more urgent. So when he gathered with his closest followers, he poured out his heart to them. He did things to give them one final set of examples on how they should live. Let's study and apply in our lives what Jesus did and said "on the night he was betrayed."

A Walk Through Thessalonians - John Peoples and Brian Holden - Room B4

Explore two of the early books of the New Testament and see how Paul encouraged the church to grow in their new found faith, increase in their love for one another and of course to rejoice, pray and give thanks always. Hope is increased with the instruction on the return of Christ, and how God destined us to obtain salvation through Jesus Christ, not wrath. Paul continues in the second letter with additional instruction on Christ's return, and encouragement that God will comfort and strengthen their hearts in every good work and word.

We Express Our Sympathy

We express our sympathy to **La'Verne Daniel** on the passing of her brother, **Michael Langston**, on May 5. The service for Michael was in Camden on May 13, at Antioch Baptist Church, burial followed immediately thereafter. La'Verne's sister, Apostle Stephanie Brown, officiated. La'Verne has been staying with her mother in Virginia, and is traveling home this weekend.

We extend our sympathy to **Anne Peoples**. Anne's late husband Frank's son, "**Jack**" **John Peoples**, passed away after a long battle with cancer. Funeral arrangements were not yet available.

Thank You

To our family and friends,
There are no words that seem adequate enough to say thank you to everyone who expressed their sympathy during the loss of our beloved Michael. He was a wonderful person and through the memories he gave us, he will live on forever in our hearts.

The family of Michael Langston,
We appreciate you.

Thanks for Participation In LIFE Groups



2015-2016 LIFE Groups are winding down. I want to thank all of you who have faithfully and consistently participated in a LIFE Group since last September. I am especially grateful to those who led and hosted groups. Most group meetings also include a time of fellowship,

so thanks to those who made those times of fellowship with a meal happen. LIFE Groups serve many purposes, all of which make us a stronger and healthier church. Thank you for all you have done. **-Glynn Durham**

Graduation Open House

You're invited to a **Graduation Celebration Open House** for **Stephanie Pierre-Jacques**, graduate of Williamstown High School, on Saturday, June 18, 2016 at 12-4pm. It will be at the home of the Pierre-Jacques, 755 Sherwood Drive, Williamstown, NJ 08094. Please R.S.V.P by June 12 at 856-728-3774.

This Week's Prayer Requests

Praise:

For the nice weather that has finally arrived!

Prayers Requested:

Anita O'Hara, in Elmwood Hills Healthcare at Lakeland recovering from ulcerative colitis. **Her phone number there is: 856-637-3726.** Her address, should you wish to visit her or send her a card will be:

Anita O'Hara, Elmwood Hills Healthcare Center, (S-1 Unit, Room 137 – B), 425 Woodbury-Turnersville Road, Blackwood, NJ 08012

Pat Schuehler now at home recovering from surgery.

Barbara Perry is recovering at home.

Roseann Savastano's surgery will be rescheduled.

Glenn and Diana Chew, friends of the Holdens, loss of adult daughter.

Nilda Cruz, Rebecca Cruz's mother, still hospitalized with 2nd and 3rd degree burns as a result of a cooking accident.

Gwen Phillip, radiation treatments.

Barby Jo Crema continues cancer treatment.

Nancy Calabro, numerous health concerns.

Military:

Andrew Holden at West Point.

Doug Peterson III, deployed with Air Force

David Spaeth, deployed with the Reserves

Engaged:

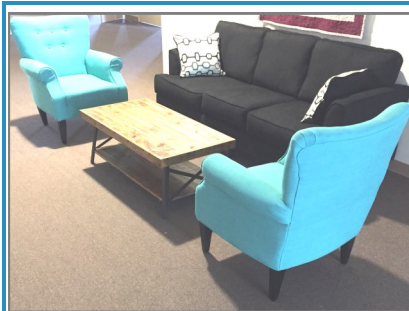
Mallory Perine & Brandon Keeks, September 17, 2016

Rebecca Cruz & Justin Guy, November 6, 2016

Jonathan Hooley & Mary Bernadette McElroy, June 2017

Expecting:

David and Ryoko Marshall, a girl, July 29th.



Thank you to all who have participated in making the improvements to our foyer!

Please enjoy our new furnishings! We do ask that children not be permitted to climb or stand on the furniture. We want everyone to be safe, and we want to enjoy the new furniture for a long time. Thank you!

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Our Deacons

Bud Britton Grounds Maintenance

Derrick Busch Young Adults

Tim Davis Teens

Tony DeStefano Body Life & Fellowship

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

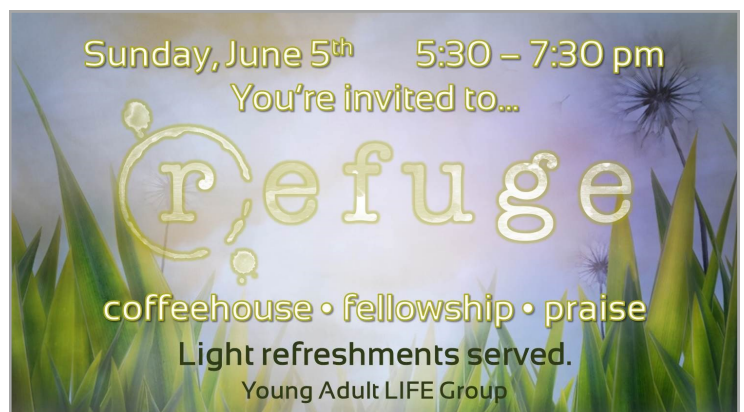
5:30-6:30 PM Meal
7:00-7:45 PM Bible Classes
7:45 PM Fellowship

Last Week

Bible Class	135
Worship	234
LIFE Groups	142
Wednesday	57
Contribution	\$6,910
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$496,320.00
Contribution YTD	\$471,658.00
Under Budget	(\$24,662.00)

Serving Us Today

Nursery	Kathy Ashton. Elinda Hunter
Kids For Christ	Kelly Spencer
Jr. Worship	Brian Mansdoerfer
Hall Monitor: Bible Class	
Hall Monitor: Worship	
Greeters: Front Entrance	Larry Peterson & Mike Lazar
Greeters: Back Entrance	Denise Rulli and Mandy Mansdoerfer
Ushers	Larry Kellum Jr. & John Peoples
Information Center	Teens
Shepherd's Call	Mike Lazar
Song Leader	Teens
Communion	Teens



Elder on Call:

May/June: Greg Krinks



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