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New Fall Quarter Classes Begin Today!

2016 Fall Quarter

September, October, November

Sunday

Location	Intended For	Topic	Teachers
FLC	Adults	"He's My Brother"	Derrick Busch, Dan Cooper
B-1	Young Adults	"Do Not Be Afraid"	Mike Broyles
B-2	Adults	Life of Christ	Carlos Isaziga
B-3 Chapel	Women	"I Want God"	Alana Peterson
B-4	Men	David, A Man After God's Heart	Coordinated by Brian Holden
Parke Place	Senior Saints	Worship	Jay Schneider

Wednesday

Week	Emphasis	Coordinators
1st Wednesday	Praise Singing - Everyone meet in the Auditorium	Garth Hutchinson, Matt Downing
2nd Wednesday	Children - Activities in the Family Life Center Teens - Activities in Teen classrooms Adults - Ministry Meetings Bible Class: <i>Studies in James</i> - Chapel Barnabas Ministry in B1	Aaron Pearl Tim Davis Derrick Busch, Andy Mychajlowycz Donna Lazar, Fran Point
3rd Wednesday	Prayer - Everyone meet in the Auditorium Adults - Bible Class: <i>Studies in James</i> - Chapel Barnabas Ministry in B1	Derrick Busch Derrick Busch, Andy Mychajlowycz Donna Lazar and Fran Point
4th Wednesday	Children - Puppet Ministry in Auditorium Teens - Activities in the Family Life Center Adults - Ministry Meetings Bible Class: <i>Studies in James</i> - Chapel Barnabas Ministry in B1	Bert Kellum Tim Davis Derrick Busch, Andy Mychajlowycz Donna Lazar and Fran Point
5th Wednesday (Nov. 30 only)	Choice Night - We will not meet at the building. Visit or invite someone to dinner, Bible studies, service projects, etc.	

Our Mission

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

From Daniel's Den

THREE FUNERALS IN FOUR DAYS!



Yesterday was the funeral for a murdered two year old boy, and on Tuesday there are two more funerals: an 87 year old "Mom-Mom" and a 90 year old family matriarch. Death is all around! Though we avoid death, and even discussion about death whenever possible, it sometimes smacks us in the face! Death is inescapable! This week death has touched the loved ones of Rob Weltzin, LaVerne Daniels, and George Rowe.

The same day I snapped this photo at the Sheddsville Cemetery, dating from the 17th century, in Southern Vermont, the call came from Rob notifying me that his "Mom-Mom" had passed. None can escape! In the 18th century people typically died in their 40's and 50's. In the 21st century we may live into our 80's and 90's, but we are still going to die! If we are Christians, when we die, we grieve; but 'we do not grieve as those who have no hope.'

So what? So live a life of faith! "The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain" (1 Cor. 15:56-58).

And it was exactly four years ago today, that my mother took her last breath and moved on to her eternal reward. I look forward to joining her! Heaven is a wonderful place, filled with glory and grace!

- *Dan the Anticipating Preacherman*



Dan Cooper
aka
"Dan, Dan,
the Preacherman"

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Carlos' Corner

Three Simple Ways You Can Meet People at Church

One of the criticisms I typically hear about a bigger church is that it's too hard to get to know people. How can people know if you've got something going on in your life if there are hundreds or even thousands of people there?

But here's what I've experienced. A church of ANY size seems too big if you don't know anyone. Here are three ways you can get to know people at the Pitman Road church.

#1 - Linger in the lobby.

Before the service even starts, come a little early. Grab a cup of coffee in the lobby and introduce yourself to someone. When the service is over, don't rush to the parking lot. Take your time and mingle with people in our lobby. Stop by the Welcome Center and meet one of our hosts. If you have children in our Children's Ministry, talk to the other parents and the volunteers. They aren't too busy to talk with you.

#2 - Join a LIFE Group.

One of the best ways to "do life" with people is to join a small group. At Pitman Road, we call them LIFE groups, because we want community to develop there as we do life together. Whether it's 50, 500 or 5,000 people in a church service, it's tough to talk about life on Sunday morning. So these LIFE groups meet in homes and at the building throughout the week. You can give one a try, and if it's not right, you can try another one. For a full list of LIFE groups, go to our website or pick up a brochure at the Welcome Center.

#3 - Join a volunteer/ministry team.

This is one of the best ways to get to know people. No matter your stage in life, there's a certain camaraderie from serving together. For example, the 12 or so adults, young adults and teens who work in our Audio Visual Ministry have become great friends. Same goes for our Family Promise Ministry. Serving at the Pitman Road Church isn't complicated. Just go on our website to learn about each of the teams/ministries and contact the leader.

Those are just three ways you can meet people and make church feel a whole lot smaller!

Carlos



LIFE Groups

...because life is better in community.

HAPPENING THIS MONTH!

NEW Wednesday Night Format THIS WEDNESDAY September 7th at 7:00 pm!

See the front page of the bulletin for all the details!

The NEW Munchkin Ministry NEXT Sunday, September 11th!

There will be some changes to Munchkin Ministry this year!

There will be **one** Munchkin Ministry time between Bible classes and the worship service, at 9:40-9:55 am. It will take place in the lobby.

PLEASE NOTE: The "menu" will be simplified; coffee, water, Munchkins, and breakfast bars will be served. If you wish to have a full breakfast, please do so before you arrive at church. **We ask everyone's cooperation: please throw away your cups and plates and move into the worship service by 10 am.**

Are you looking for a ministry to serve in? Munchkin Ministry can always use a few more servant hearted people! If you're interested, please contact John Ashton or Brian Holden.

LIFE Groups Kick Off NEXT Sunday, September 11th!

So far **187** people have signed up for a LIFE Group!!! **What? You don't have a LIFE Group yet? It's never too late...LIFE Group leaders still have their clipboards, so sign up today!** Check with your LIFE Group leader for your group's first meeting date.

ALSO NEXT SUNDAY:

Kids for Christ and Junior Worship return!

Children will be excused after the communion service.

Please remember the following age guidelines:

- Nursery: birth to age 2
- Kids for Christ: age 3 through kindergarten
- Junior Worship: grades 1 through 4

Men's Monday Night Bible Study Begins Autumn Season on September 12th

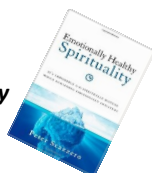
All men are invited to take part in this time of study and fellowship...yes...this is also a LIFE Group! Join us at 7:00 pm in the Family Life Center as we begin the study of Philippians, starting with chapters 1 & 2. Coffee, fruit, and cookies will be served! Contact **Harry Ake** for more info or with questions.

Wednesday Night Meals will begin Wednesday, September 14th!

Harriet, Judi, and JoAnn will kick off the year by cooking the first meal. Volunteers are needed to fill up the schedule. **There is a signup sheet in the Family Life Center for those who are willing to prepare a meal during September-December.** Just pick your date and write down your menu on the sheet. If you have any questions, please contact **Harriet Wensel**.

BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY IS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH!

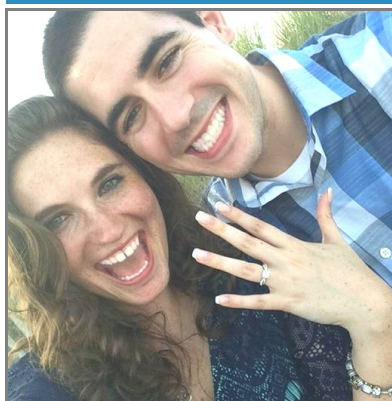
- Invite someone...invitations available in the lobby!
- Guest friendly worship service!
- New sermon series: *Emotionally Healthy Spirituality*
- Fellowship meal immediately following the worship service!



AND the New Sermon Series Begins Sept. 18th

Get a start now on the new sermon series! The companion book: *Emotionally Healthy Spirituality* is available in the church office for \$11!

Engagement Congratulations!!!!



Something we have been waiting for happened on Thursday, August 18th...

Toria Davis and Nathan Haden got engaged!!! We've all watched Toria grow up, and for the last five years, witnessed Toria and Nate's relationship grow and thrive through high school and college. They weathered separation while Toria attended Lipscomb University in TN, and Nate attended Rowan

University here...as well as Toria's extended trips to Australia. During this time, Nate continued to attend church here at Pitman, also making the choice to be baptized. He works faithfully in the AV ministry, you can see him in the sound booth on Sundays.

Nate proposed to Toria on the beach at sunset in Ocean City! It was the five year anniversary of their first date!

Since their graduation last spring, Nate has taken a full time position with West-Ward Pharmaceuticals, and Toria is finishing prerequisite courses in preparation for a graduate degree in Occupational Therapy. Together they are both actively serving the Young Adults ministry.

They have not yet set a wedding date. But we will let you know when we find out! Congratulations to Nate and Toria. We are so excited for you! And also to Tim and Melody on the engagement of their first born! Many happy days ahead for the Davis and Haden families! Blessing to all!

Manatawny Men's and Women's Retreats

Dan is looking for a few good men to join him for this year's Camp Manatawny Men's Retreat! He is driving up for the golf outing early **THIS Friday morning, September 9th**, and driving back home Friday evening after the conclusion of that night's sessions. If someone plans stay for the Saturday sessions, they can bring the van home on Saturday, Sept. 10th.

Pre-register for the golf outing and retreat. Contact Dan TODAY to let him know if you will be attending and riding in the van on Friday. Here are the basics... go to www.manatawny.org for details. Already registered for the retreat are Andy Mychajlowycz and Jay Schneider.

Camp Manatawny Men's Retreat: NEXT Friday and Saturday, September 9 & 10. **Full Throttle Men** Guest Speaker: Paul Merideth of OVU. Register at www.manatawny.org.

Golf Outing: Friday, September 9. Blackwood Golf Course, 510 Red Corner Rd, Douglassville, PA 19518. Reservation deadline: Thursday, September 8 by contacting Don Lallathin at 304-865-6023 or don.lallathin@ovu.edu. Cost: \$40, including lunch. Make checks out to Ohio Valley University, and send to c/o Don Lallathin, Ohio Valley University, 1 Campus View Drive, Vienna, WV 26105 or pay day of event.

Mary Collier is looking for a few good women to attend the Camp Manatawny Ladies Retreat on Friday and Saturday, September 30 & October 1. Ladies will enjoy this encouraging week-end of Biblical teaching and excellent worship mixed with just the right amount of activities and relaxation. **Girl, Are You the Eternal Flame?** - Keynote Speaker: Dr. Valerie Anderson. Sponsored by the Sunset Road Church of Christ. Register at www.manatawny.org.

Our Schedule

Sunday

9:00 am Bible Classes
10:00 am Worship

Wednesday

5:30 pm Meal
7:00 pm Bible Class

Office Hours

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

Last Week

Bible Class	110
Worship	200
LIFE Groups	NA
Wednesday	69
Contribution	\$10,365.00
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$93,708.00
Contribution YTD	\$80,441.00
Under Budget	(\$13,267.00)

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Elder on Call for September and October: Dave Perine

Serving Us Today

Nursery	Robin Steward
Kids For Christ	Summer Break
Jr. Worship	Summer Break
Greeters: Front Entrance	Larry & Lea Ann Kellum
Greeters: Back Entrance	Anita O'Hara & Adam Cerquoni
Information Center	Brenda People
Ushers	John People & Dave Perine
Shepherd's Call	Brian Holden
Song Leader	Mike Broyles
Communion	Tim Davis

Women In The Word LIFE Group...

... AKA Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study:

Due to the Cooper's trip to Italy in mid-September, **our Tuesday morning Bible study will resume on first Tuesday in October, October 4.** We will be doing an in-depth study of the book of Genesis. We will meet in Rm B4, but be prepared to switch if the class is large! Childcare is provided; class members are given an opportunity to contribute towards that expense.

This class is designed for serious students of the Word. If you are available on Tuesday mornings, we encourage you to join us!

Some of us continue our fellowship over lunch in Glassboro. All are invited!

TOPIC: **Genesis** START DATE: **Tuesday, October 4th**
TIME: **9:34 - 11:30 am** LOCATION: **Room B-4 (?)**
CHILD CARE: **Cathy Ervin** TEACHER: **Katherine Cooper**
TO BRING: **A three-ring binder & a Bible you can write notes in.**
OPTIONAL: **Lunch following at Nick's in Glassboro**

This Week's Prayer Requests

The monthly prayer list of long-term, ongoing prayer requests for September is now available as an insert in this week's bulletin, also next to the bulletin in the lobby, and will be sent out via email. New, urgent, and immediate prayer requests will appear in the bulletin.

Praise: For a very successful School Supply Drive! Many children will have much needed supplies. Thanks to all who participated!

Response to Invitation: **Rob Weltzin** came forward asking for prayers for his grandmother and family. Since then she has passed (see below) but please continue to pray for Rob to be a light to his family during this time.

Prayers Requested:

Glynn Durham had a CT scan this past Thurs. and has a dr.'s appointment this Wed. Please pray for an excellent report!

Harriet Wensel has severe arthritis in her knee and must stay off of it for the time being.

Jeanine Ellison, a young mother of three, whose dr. has just given her bad news regarding Lupus complications.

Jason Hall, Kristi Hall's and Tim Hall's son, and Frank and Sandy Sheehan's grandson, has been diagnosed with type 1 diabetes. Jason was hospitalized for several days to stabilize his blood sugar. Please pray for Jason and his family as they navigate this new journey.

Jamie, Ted and Pat Scheuhler's granddaughter, gave birth to a healthy baby girl, Makenzie, on Aug. 19. Jamie experienced some complications during an unscheduled C-section. Please pray for her as she recovers.

Bernice Rome, Larry Kellum's sister, still battling blood infection, organs have shut down and she is not responsive.

Nelda Porter, Debby Durham's mother, diagnosed with non-Hodgkin lymphoma contained to the nose. Chemo and radiation to begin soon. Nelda's prognosis for full recovery is excellent!

We Extend Our Sympathy

We extend our deeply felt sympathy to **LaVerne Daniels** and her family on the tragic passing of her 2 year old nephew, **Jamil Baskerville**. Funeral service were yesterday in Camden. Please be sure to keep this family in your prayers as they grieve this unimaginable loss and endure the legal proceedings and media attention in the coming weeks and months. You can send cards of condolence to the family to LaVerne Daniels, 423 Pepper Mill Ct., Sewell, NJ 08080.

We extend our sympathy to **Rob Weltzin** and his family on the passing of Rob's 87 year old grandmother, **Eloise Nixon**, after an extended illness. Funeral services will be this Tuesday, at 1:00 pm, Ashcraft Funeral Home, 740 S Broadway, Pennsville. Internment will follow in Salem County War Veterans Cemetery, Pilesgrove. Cards can be sent to Rob at the address in the online church directory.

We extend our sympathy to **George and Cookie Rowe** and his family on the passing of George's mother, **Elizabeth Nellie Rowe**, last Sunday. Family celebrated her 90th birthday on July 23. Funeral service are this Tuesday at May's Funeral Home, 2000 Erial Clementon Road, Sicklerville, NJ 08081. Viewing is 11 am to noon followed by the funeral service. Burial follows immediately after the funeral. You can send cards to George and Cookie at the address in the church directory.



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