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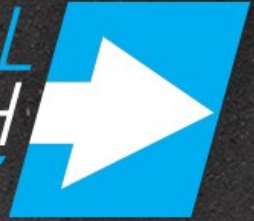
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Now's the Time!

NATIONAL BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY



SEPTEMBER 18, 2016

NEXT Sunday is BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY!

Not only is this a great opportunity for our members to get "back to church" after the busy summer months....it's an outstanding opportunity to invite someone to church who may not attend church regularly, or at all. Our worship service will be "visitor-friendly!"

- **Convenient invitations for you to carry with you and hand out are available in the lobby. Pick some up and invite someone to church! Why not invite at least three guests to join you here next Sunday!**
- **The new sermon series, *Emotionally Healthy Spirituality* begins! The series is based on the book of the same name, and that book is available in the office for \$11. Reading the book will enhance the sermon series for you.**
- **And while you're at it, invite your guests to stay for lunch! We will have a fellowship meal in the Family Life Center immediately after the worship service.**
 - We ask our members to bring cold sandwiches and salads to share (no foods that need to be heated please). Please plan to bring enough food so that we can have plenty for our guests.
 - Wives of elders and deacons are asked to bring a dessert in addition to their sandwiches or salads.
 - Beverages will be provided.
 - If you have any questions, or would like to help, please contact Tony or Stephanie DeStefano.

What are you waiting for... Now's the time....Invite someone to church!



LIFE Groups

...because life is better in community.

LIFE Groups begin meeting TODAY!

Check the back of the bulletin
for your group's meeting date,
time, and location.

Our Mission

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

From Daniel's Den

"JEFF WE WILL NOT FORGET YOU"



Katherine and I recently visited the Freedom Tower (a.k.a. One World Trade Center), the Reflecting Pools, and the 9/11 Museum. All three are on the site of what was the original World Trade Center, known as "Ground Zero" after the 9/11 attacks. I strongly encourage you to take a full day in New York City to visit these sites. A stop to visit St. Paul's Chapel is worth your time, too. Those who worked diligently to put together the memorial did an exceptional job.



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

For us, it was an extremely moving day. Katherine spent a good part of the day wiping tears from her eyes. For me, while I cried only once, the entire day was a deeply touching, even spiritual, experience. The most touching moment for me was reading the message inscribed on the ruins of Ladder Co. 3, "Jeff, we will not forget you!" This was Jeff's ladder truck, and he was killed on 9/11. Those words were inscribed by fellow firefighters in the days following the collapse of the World Trade Center.

Every Sunday when we gather around the Lord's Table, we are basically saying, "Jesus, we will not forget you." As we take the bread we say, "Jesus, we will not forget you." And as we take the cup, we drink saying, "Jesus, we will not forget you." Jesus said, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me" (1 Cor. 11:25).

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The New Sermon Series Begins on Sunday, September 18th.

Get started on the journey now!
The companion book is available in the office for \$11.



**SPECIAL PRAYER
EVENT**

SEE YOU
at the

POLE

**WEDNESDAY,
SEPT. 28 AT 7PM**

Young Adult

Get-Together

Friday, September 23rd – 6 pm at the Isaziga's

All three young adult LIFE Groups, (and all young adults even if you're not in a LIFE Group) are invited to hang out at Carlos and Gina's house. We especially want to take time that night to welcome our newest young adults into the group. We'll eat dinner together, but you don't have to bring anything but yourself! See you there!

You're Invited!

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Autumn Sing A-Long

Saturday, October 8th 7:00-9:00 PM

*Finger foods, desserts, coffee and beverages served in the
Family Life Center 6:00 - 6:30 PM.*

Childcare will be provided.

*Members: please sign up at the Welcome Center
to bring finger food or desserts.*

Saturday, October 8th

8:00 am – 1:00 pm

Spaces are \$10, proceeds benefit Family Promise.

Pitman Road Church of Christ

YARD SALE

For more information,
contact Jenn Pearl at 609-805-2186.

Matching Gifts for Debt Reduction

We have been given the unique opportunity to reduce the debt on our church building by \$40,000.

Former members of our congregation have offered to match every dollar that we give, up to \$20,000. Due to their generosity, whatever we give to the Expansion/Capital Fund between now and December 31 will be doubled.

It is a significant compliment that members who have moved away, who are no longer worshipping with us, still care enough about us to contribute to the Lord's work here at Pitman Road!

Here is how it will work. When you make a donation to the Pitman Road Church of Christ, write "Debt Reduction" in the memo section. If you would like to make a donation in honor of a loved one, use the special forms at the Information Center or Dottie's office.

Your elders are working diligently to reduce the debt on our wonderful building, and this opportunity is really a God thing! It really is a win/win idea. Of course our hope is that these special contributions will be above and beyond your regular contributions to church.

Let me say it again: Every dollar you give will be matched, up to \$20,000, if you contribute by Dec. 31. To God be the glory! **Dan**

2017 France Mission Trip Informational Meeting

If you would like to learn more about our next mission trip to France, you need to plan to attend our informational meeting at our church building THIS Wednesday, September 14th at 7:00 pm in Classroom B-4.

Over the last ten years, a total of 50 people have partnered with us on the France mission trips. Some have made only one trip, others have made two trips, and still others have made 3, 4, or all 5 of our biannual trips. Over the years, a huge amount of work has been done, and we are continuing to make progress on a number of projects, and to attack new projects, as well! Some jobs are repeated every year...like cleaning and organizing the craft room. Many hands are needed...young or old, skilled or unskilled, experienced or inexperienced.

If you'd like to know more specifics, you need to attend this informational meeting from 7:00 to 7:55 on Wednesday. What we know right now: The dates for the coming trip will be June 25-July 2, 2017. The cost will be approximately \$2,200 per person. We will only be taking 25 workers, and 10 are already registered. A \$200 fully refundable deposit will hold a spot for you. No person has ever been prevented from going because of a lack of financial support. You do need a passport if you intend to go.

Where Did Your Donated School Supplies Go?

Many thanks for your wonderful participation in our school supply drive. The primary recipient of our school supplies was the West Atco Youth Center, directed by our own Derek and Leza Davis. Also benefiting from your donations were students in Philadelphia public schools through Cordelia Holmes. Pitman public schools were also the recipients of some of the donated supplies, as were as the schools where Donna Lazar, Elizabeth Lazar, and Tina Broyles teach. God is so good. These teachers and students will benefit from your generosity throughout this entire school year. This is yet one more way to communicate a powerful message: "Children Mean the World to God." Thank you again. **Dan**

TODAY!

The NEW Munchkin Ministry begins TODAY!

There are 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.**

Munchkin Ministry is in need of two volunteers who will commit to helping on a weekly basis.

Please see John Ashton if you are willing to serve in this ministry.

ALSO TODAY.....

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 (available for the full worship service)
- Kids for Christ: age 3 through kindergarten
- Junior Worship: grades 1 through 4

This Week!

**Men's Monday Night Bible Study
Begins the Autumn Season TOMORROW NIGHT!**

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
THIS 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**.

Coming Up!

Bring Your Own Craft Day Is Saturday, September 24th, noon to 5:00 pm in the Family Life Center. All are welcome! Bring a craft or project to work on with other "crafty" people! Snacks will be provided!



REFUGE is

Sunday, October 9th, 5:30-7:30 pm

All are invited to enjoy the Refuge Café and a time of awesome praise. Bring a friend!

Our next Family Host Week is Sunday, October 16 - Sunday, October 23.



Signup sheets are across the lobby from the Welcome Center. John Ashton is the coordinator for the week. See John if you have any questions. Thank you.

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	130
Worship	225
LIFE Groups	NA
Wednesday	62
Contribution	\$9,064.00
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$104,120.00
Contribution YTD	\$89,505.00
Under Budget	(\$14,615.00)

This Week's Prayer Requests

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

Joyce Reimels is grateful for all of the prayers on behalf of her 9 yr. old granddaughter, **Rebecca**, who underwent emergency surgery for a kidney stone. Surgery went well and Rebecca is recovering!

Response to Invitation: **Lynne Sbaraglia** asked for prayers for the 8 Haitian orphans and their caretakers who she spent time with on the Haiti mission trips. They have many needs, but they ask for prayers.

Prayers Requested:

Wanda Key, Fran Point's sister, is being treated for dangerously high blood pressure.

Ed Gandolfi, Annette Perine's dad, is having surgery on Sept. 26th to clear a 90% blocked carotid artery.

Glynn Durham will begin a new chemotherapy regimen on 9/21. He will have 2 rounds of treatment, 3 weeks on, and 1 week off.

Anne Peoples spent several days in the hospital undergoing testing.

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Elder on Call for September and October: Dave Perine

Serving Us Today

Nursery	Diana Hutchinson
Kids For Christ	Manny Vander Vennen
Jr. Worship	Brian Mansdoerfer
Greeters: Front Entrance	Garth & Diana Hutchinson
Greeters: Back Entrance	Brian & Cindy Holden
Information Center	Jackie Fenton
Ushers	Garth Hutchinson & Hortio Fenton
Shepherd's Call	John Peoples
Song Leader	Dwight Thompson
Communion	Brian Kleineweber

LIFE Group	Location	Contact
Ageless	Cooper's at noon	856-589-4197
Beginning Anew	TBA	856-589-1500
Brook Besor	Durham's, Thursday at 7pm	856-589-2280
Circle of Sisters	Sbaraglia's Monday at 7pm	856-4190544
E.H.S.	Church Bldg. FLC at noon (bring lunch)	856-589-1500
Family of Teens	Church Bldg. FLC at noon	856-589-1500
Hammonton	L. Peterson's at 1pm	609-567-8907
Men's Bible Study	Church Bldg., Monday at 7pm	856-217-3956
Paracletes	Church Bldg. rm B1 at 11:45	856-589-1500
Solid Gold	Begin meeting on Sept. 25	
Teens	Church Bldg. FLC at noon	856-589-1500
Vineland	DePrince's at 6pm	856-293-1001
Women in the Word	Begin meeting on Oct. 4	856-589-1500
College	Church Bldg. rm B2 at noon	856-589-1500
Young Professionals	Isaziga's on Fri. Sept. 23	
Young Married	A.DeStefano's at 1pm	856-899-9466

Wednesday Night Menu: Meatloaf & Mashed Potatoes

Cook(s): Harriet, Judi, JoAnn

Thank You!

Dear Pitman Road Church Family,

I'd like to thank everyone who called, texted, sent a card, or came to the viewing/funeral of my father (and mother.)

It's been a rough four months with both of them passing so closely. But I got through it with the love and support that you all extended to me and my family.

The flowers the church sent to both of my parents funerals were beautiful.

Your kindness, love, compassion, and prayers have been my saving grace during these difficult months. Again, I thank you and God bless you all.

In Him, **Sue Ward**

Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to **Larry and Bert Kellum** and their family on the passing of Larry's sister **Bernice Rhone**. Bernice passed away on September 1. Bernice became very ill after a bee sting that turned into a serious infection. Funeral services were yesterday. You may send cards to the Kellums at their address in the church directory.

We extend our sympathy to **Craig and Katie Young** and their family. After a steady downhill decline in health over the last few months, Craig's father, **George** passed away last week, and was laid to rest last Tuesday. Craig did "an excellent job" in presiding over his father's funeral service. The service was private. Sensing that the end was near, Craig and Katie delayed their return to mission in France, and worked with hospice during Craig's dad final weeks/days. Craig's mom, **Marie**, is now a widow, and our prayer are asked for her as she adjusts.



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