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CHURCH OF CHRIST

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NEXT Sunday, February 5th
immediately after the worship service.

Souper Super Sunday Pre-Game Party!

Please bring soup, chili, or sandwiches to share.

Bring all hot food PREHEATED please!

Beverages will be provided.

Desserts provided by deacons' and elders' wives.

Be SUPER Generous

You will have an
opportunity
to make a donation to
our *Family Promise*
ministry at the
"Souper" Super Bowl
Pre-Game Party

-or-

at any of the parties
hosted in homes
in the evening.

Super Bowl Sunday Night Parties

At the home of Corny and Phyllis Walker, arrival time is 5:30 PM. Please contact Phyllis and let her know you're attending, and what you will bring.

At the home of Mike and Tina Broyles, doors open at 5:30 PM! Bring your favorite Big Game foods! Beverages and Tomato Pie provided by the Broyles. Please contact Tina and let her know you're attending and what you will bring.

At the home of Linda and Peter Wyatt, arrive at 6:00 pm. Pizza will be provided. Please bring appetizers, finger foods, or dessert. Please call Linda and let her know you're attending and what you will bring.

FOR TEENS: **At the home of Tim and Melody Davis**, at 5:30 PM. Everyone please bring a 2 liter soda or a bottle or juice. Ladies please bring a dessert. Guys please bring side dishes (chip & dip or an appetizer). Pizza and wings will be provided. If you have any questions contact the Davises.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL CORPORATE MEETING: As a nonprofit organization, recognized by the state of New Jersey as a tax exempt corporation, the state of NJ mandates that we meet annually. That being the case, our elders have selected the first Sunday of each February as the date for our annual meeting. Please consider this your written notification of our church's annual meeting, traditionally held on Super Bowl Sunday each year. If you are an active member of the Pitman Road Church of Christ, and in good standing, please consider yourself informed and invited of the **Pitman Church of Christ's annual corporate meeting, this year on Feb. 5, immediately after morning worship assembly.**

Our Mission

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

From Daniel's Den

I Can See! I Can See! Praise God, I Can See!

It's been a long time since I've been this excited! I can see...without glasses or contact lenses... better than I've been able to see in over 50 years! And, guess what? I had never realized my vision was so bad. My vision declined so gradually that I didn't realize how bad it had become. But in the last two weeks, with two cataract surgeries behind me, I see with a clarity that is astounding. It has given me a whole new lease on life. In reality, nothing has changed, because what was there all along was there all along. But, the reality is that everything has changed, because I now see what I could not see before.

I could not help but think of the blind man from Jericho. (Mark 10:46-52). When Jesus asked the blind man, "What do you want me to do for you?" he responded, "Let me recover my sight!" The man was blind, and he knew it. I was half blind, and I didn't know it. All of that made me think of the people who are like me, half blind and they don't realize it! Blind people miss fine and beautiful things, and they don't realize it. They miss the "blue boots!" They miss the miracle of an encouraging text or a cell phone call. They miss LIFE Groups. They miss that we live at a time of prosperity. They miss that we can worship, without government intervention. They miss that we can vote in free elections. They miss that we can get where we want to go... cars, bikes, trains and planes. They miss that we have fresh drinking water, much food, and a warm, dry place to put our heads at night! They miss that we have enough money to support our church, recreation, help the poor, pay rent, buy a car, save, and buy a cup of tea or coffee for the person in line behind us. They are blind and they don't know it.

Praying for your cataracts to be removed, just like mine were! **Dan the Seeing Preacherman**



Dan Cooper
aka
"Dan, Dan,
the Preacherman"

I could not help but think of the blind man from Jericho.



Garth Hutchinson
Shepherd

How is God calling us to live out our salvation?

A Shepherd's Voice

Two Sides of a Coin

1 Peter 1: 3 - Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Our salvation is like two sides of a coin. We are saved from something and we saved for something.

What are we saved from?

Jesus' death on the cross delivered us from the penalty of sin. "... He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy." (Titus 3: 5-7) Therefore redemption and reconciliation are ours in Christ! Our salvation is a *faits accomplis*!

What are we saved for?

Peter shows us the other side of the coin. He teaches us that salvation is a living hope. God has something ready for us in the future **AND** something for us to do in the present. We have a living hope that is alive and active NOW. The apostle Paul put it this way, "*I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received*" (Ephesians 4:1). When we are saved by God's grace, our salvation is more than waiting for heaven. And it's more than being a good person. "He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago." Ephesians 2:10 NLT

When the prophet Isaiah stood before the throne of God and received forgiveness of guilt, all he could say was, "Here am I! Send me!" What about us? How is God calling us to live out our salvation? Is God calling me to volunteer for Family Promise? To help a brother or sister who is hurting? To work at youth camp? To Diners for Eight? Is he asking me to be more generous with my time and money for the church? To go deeper in his word? Is he sending me on a mission trip to Haiti, Marseille, or Honduras? To mentor a young man or woman? To share my faith with a friend?

Father, here I am. Send me! -**Garth**

Mission Trip to Haiti

Carl Steiner is feeling called to another trip to Haiti, February 18-28. Once again, this trip will find him helping some of the poorest and most needy people on the face of the earth.

Carl will again be partnering with **THEA**. Cost for this trip will be about \$1,200. Carl is giving up a full week of work, and had not planned on this trip until now. Would you consider helping with the cost of the trip? Please write your check to Pitman Road Church of Christ and include "Haiti Mission Trip" on the memo section of your check. Drop your check in the collection plate at church or mail your check to: Pitman Road Church of Christ, 500 Pitman Road, Sewell, NJ 08080 .

You're Invited!
Friendship Friday
THIS Friday, February 3rd
 7-9 pm in the Family Life Center
Light refreshments will be served!

*Strengthen old friendships and make new ones...
 Laugh, love, talk, play, and snack...
 Listen to words of encouragement...
 Get a preview of what's to come in 2017!*



If you enjoy getting to know people better in a smaller more intimate setting in your home, then "Dinners for Eight" is a great activity for you. The goal is to have members of the congregation and friends gather together for dinner, with the host family not allowing the guests to know who is coming. We recommend planning to make arrangements for this activity once a month. The host family will invite six to eight people for an evening of food and fellowship. **Brian and Cindy Holden will be in the foyer with information booklets and to answer any questions that you may have this Sunday.** This activity will run through the end of June. For additional information please contact Brian or Cindy Holden at 856-881-6792, or bcholden94@hotmail.com. Let's have fun getting to know each other better!!!

COME AS YOU ARE

REFUGE

ALL ARE WELCOME

SUNDAY 2•12•2017 | 5:30PM - 7:30PM

FELLOWSHIP, PRAISE,
COFFEE, AND SNACKS

YOUNG ADULT LIFE GROUP

Winterfest Sponsors Needed



Anyone interested in sponsoring, or partially sponsoring, a teen at Winterfest please see Tim Davis.
 The total cost is \$160.00.

Upcoming Teen Events

Wednesday, February 8, 7:00 pm:

IMPORTANT Winterfest meeting. Everyone going on the trip needs to attend.

Friday, February 10, 7:00-9:00 pm:

NERF WAR in the FLC. Bring your Nerf gun and "bullets."

Friday-Sunday, February 17-19:

Winterfest!



Bus Trip Money Due



Payment for the bus trip to see Jonah at Sight & Sound Theater is due NEXT SUNDAY, February 5th. Show date is May 20th. The cost is \$98 for adults, \$84 for teens (13-17), and \$64 for children (4-12). The cost includes bus, show, and dinner at Shady Maple restaurant.

Write checks to Pitman Road Church of Christ, please note "Jonah" on the memo line. Give your payment to Brian Holden or put in his mailbox in Dottie's office. If you signed up for the trip but no longer plan to go, please contact Brian Holden and let him know as soon as possible because there are people on standby. For additional information please contact Brian Holden at (H) 856-881-6792 (C) 856-759-2542 or e-mail: bcholden94@hotmail.com.

Secret Sister Revealing Party
Saturday, March 4th • 1:00 pm
at the home of Melody Davis

A Prayer For Our Church

Heavenly Father, help us to love your church. Help us to love and be content to work in the local body you have established. Help us to be good stewards of your Word and Way. Help us to grow in Spirit, truth, and in enthusiasm for sharing your Word and Way to others. May we grow in unity and submission to each other. Help us to trust and obey and follow your leadership, Lord. Help us to be patient and humble in our love toward one another. Help us to be generous in all that we do, as though we are giving of ourselves directly to you, for you are worthy! May we be a brighter light to those around us and in the world, drawing them closer to you and their own salvation. In Jesus Christ's name I pray, amen. -Submitted by Noreen Wills

Our Schedule

Sunday
9:00 am Bible Classes
10:00 am Worship
Wednesday
5:30 pm Meal
7:00 pm Bible Classes

Office Hours

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

Last Week

Bible Class	118
Worship	227
LIFE Groups	115
Wednesday	68
Contribution	\$9,438
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$312,360.00
Contribution YTD	\$277,214.00
Budget Deficit	(\$35,146.00)

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Elder on Call for January and February: Mike Broyles

Serving Us Today

Nursery	Judi Campbell
Kids For Christ	Manny Vander Vennen
Jr. Worship	Brian Mansdoerfer
Greeters: Front Entrance	Derrick & Brenda Busch
Greeters: Back Entrance	Corny & Phyllis Walker
Information Center	Mary Collier & Dawnna Hale
Ushers	Lee Collier & Adam Cerquoni
Shepherd's Call	Brian Holden
Song Leader	Garth Hutchinson
Communion	Mike Grove

LIFE Group

Location

Contact

Ageless	O'Hara's at noon	609-221-5130
Beginning Anew	Church Bldg. at noon	856-589-1500
Brook Besor	Durham's, Thursday at 7pm	856-589-2280
Circle of Sisters	Sbaraglia's Monday at 7pm	856-419-0544
E.H.S.	Church Bldg. rm B4 at noon	856-589-1500
Family of Teens	Not meeting today.	856-589-1500
Hammonton	Thompson's at 5pm	609-561-8561
Men's Bible Study	Church Bldg., Monday at 7pm	856-217-3956
Solid Gold	Lazar's at 6pm	856-223-1699
Teens	Not meeting today.	856-589-1500
Vineland	H. Pearl's at 6pm	856-839-0051
Women in the Word	Church Bldg. Tuesday at 9:45 am	856-589-1500
Young Adults	Church Bldg. rm B2 at noon	609-226-4031
Young Married	Adams' at noon	609-922-2581

Wednesday Night Meal: Hot Ham Sandwiches

Cooks: Linda Kuznetzoff

This Week's Prayer Requests

Praise: Dan is praising God for 20/20 vision in both eyes following cataract surgery!

Response to Invitation:

Lynne Sbaraglia requested prayers for her struggle with health issues, but in particular, her struggle with depression.

Larry Kellum, Sr. requested prayers for his and Bert's daughter, **Debbie Contravo**, as she currently has many struggles.

Prayers Requested:

Mandy Mansdoerfer was diagnosed with stage 1 breast cancer; her prognosis is excellent! She is scheduled to have a bilateral mastectomy on Feb. 24.

John Grillo is in Manor Care-West Deptford, 550 Jessup Rd, Paulsboro, NJ, 08066. He is in Room 125-2. His phone number is 856-384-7314. Visits and phone calls are appreciated.

Mary Collier is recovering at home from back and neck surgery.

Glynn Durham, began a new chemo regimen this week.

Sandy Sheehan, recovering from frostbite on toes. She will undergo knee replacement surgery on Feb. 15.

Jonathan Hooley and Mary Bernadette McElroy, both having health issues and undergoing testing.

Dolores Macri's cousin, **Donald Lisa**, malignant brain tumor, had surgery this past Thursday.

Steven Fillion, kidney stones

Jack Martin's (former member) mother, recovering from a heart attack and now on kidney dialysis.

Milagro Ramos, a visitor to our Food Pantry, requests prayers for her job search.

Thank You Family Promise Volunteers!

Many thanks to all those who served last week to make our Family Promise Host week a success! We hosted four families, for a total of eleven guests, adults down to age 2 months. There are over 50 volunteer assignments available each time we host. A special thank you to those who filled multiple roles last week.



We also thank **John Ashton** for once again coordinating our Family Promise Ministry. We host four weeks each year for Family Promise, but John is working on the ministry all year!

Our next host week is scheduled for April 16-23.

Can You Help?

It has been brought to Tina Broyles' attention that 2 young girls originally from Clayton had an apartment fire and are in need of work scrubs (size small), large t-shirts, socks, and any other items of clothing that maybe you are looking to get rid of. Also any toiletry items would help too! Please call Tina at 609-320-0534 for any questions, or if you are able to donate any items or just bring them to church. Thank you!

Roseann Savastano is offering a \$500 "finder's fee" to the person who can bring any buyer for the sale of a 1955 Oldsmobile. Contact Roseann for more information.



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