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Connecting and Providing Choices

ch¢ices of the heart

The Pitman Road Church of Christ Youth Group would like to invite you to join us in serving Choices of the **Heart**. It is a non-profit organization in Turnersville that gives women who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy choices to consider before an abortion. Over fifty percent of pregnancies in the United States today are unplanned. Choices of the Heart is a faithbased resource for women who need empowerment and encouragement. This organization has helped hundreds of women. Services offered include pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, adoption counseling, parenting counseling, and so much more. We invite you to help us with the Baby Bottle Campaign. Our teens will be standing outside in the lobby manning our Choices of the Heart table. There will be baby bottles available to put loose change, paper money, checks, etc. We ask that all participate in this act for God.

The campaign started on May 27 and ends <u>next Sunday</u>, Father's Day (June 17).

You can find more information about Choices of the Heart at: www. choicesoftheheart.com

Thank you for your generosity,

Maggie Mansdoerfer on behalf of the Pitman Road Youth Group.



VBS: How You Can Get Involved



Vacation Bible School is only two weeks away! There are many ways for you to help make our 2018 VBS a success.

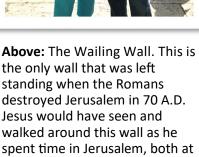
- Promotion: We have posters to hang up in the surrounding community to promote our VBS. If there is a local business that you frequent, or know a local business owner and can make a request to hang a poster at their place of business, please do so, and see Robin Steward to get one.
- Invite friends, family, coworkers, and neighbors: Invitation flyers are available in the lobby.
- Volunteer: Robin Steward is looking for volunteers for the following roles: game leaders, nursery attendants, and crew leaders.
- Pray: Please pray for many children to attend VBS and meet Jesus. Please pray for adult and teen leaders to be prepared to show God's love to the children.
- All members of all ages are asked to participate in the VBS Main Street Art Show! Bring your art work to the pop-up gallery in the church lobby beginning on June 17 and display your artwork through June 27. See Robin for details.
- Set Up THIS Saturday, June 16 from 10 am 12 pm in the elementary wing. All station and crew leaders, preschool helpers, registration volunteers, skit actors, snack helpers and unassigned teen and adult workers are needed. Please see Robin Steward if you can't attend.

Vacation Bible School is June 24-27.

Hope to see you there!

From Daniel's Den





age 12, and then when he taught and ministered in Jerusalem.



Left top and bottom: Philippi, Greece - where Paul preached and Lydia was baptized.

Below: Ancient monastery at Meteora, Greece. These rock formations are unique to the area.



Dan Cooper aka "Dan, Dan, the Preacherman"

Highlights part 2...

Dan and Katherine
are leading a tour of
the Holy Land
through Israel and
Greece. Here are
some highlights from
the second week
of the trip.



Mike Broyles Shepherd

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Shepherd's Voice

"The Right Stuff"

Many of us are familiar with this phrase. It was popularized in a book and movie of the same name. Both depicted individuals and events surrounding the birth of the United States space program. The phrase is also an expression that has come to represent a set of qualities, capabilities, or attributes needed to do or be something; in particular: to succeed at something. I recently had a "right stuff" experience.

I attempted to change the battery in my car. It was about 8:00 pm when I began (mistake #1). I needed two different size ratchets, an extension bar, and three socket wrenches; I did not have all of these tools (mistake #2). After two hours of struggles, I discovered the battery posts were stripped and would not connect (mistake #3). I went into the house feeling defeated. I was reminded that to do a job well, I needed the right stuff. The next afternoon it all came together. Equipped with the proper functioning parts, tools, and light (sunlight!), the car battery replacement took all of ten minutes!

In movies, and in life, having the right stuff increases the chances for success. The same hold true for God's church. Equipped with the right parts (God's people), the right tool (God's Word), and the right lighting (God and Christ), we have all that is needed to be a message of hope, love, and truth to a broken world. May God grant us the wisdom, desire, and strength to complete this task!

But now God has placed the members, each one of them, in the body, just as He desired. -1 Corinthians 12:18

For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword... -Hebrews 4:12 This is the message we have heard from Him and announce to you, that God is Light, and in Him there is no darkness at all. -1 John 1:5

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

In spite of the unpredictable weather, summer is upon us! And so with it comes the winding down of certain activities here at Pitman Road.



LIFE Groups

As you probably noticed, 2017-2018 LIFE Groups have concluded for the summer. Thank you to all of our group leaders and participants! We also extend gratitude to **Andy Mychajlowycz** for doing a fine job coordinating the ministry! Be on the look out in August for returning, and new, 2018-2019 LIFE Groups!

Jr. Worship

Jr. Worship (for children in 1st-4th grade) is now on hiatus for the summer months and will return in September. Many thanks to **Brian Mansdoerfer and Harry Ake** for providing this program to 1st-4th grade children.

Kids for Christ

Today is the **final day for KFC for the summer m**onths. Beginning next week, June 17, please plan to have your children ages three yrs.- kindergarten sit with you during the worship service. KFC will return in September. Thank you **Manny Vander Vennen** for coordinating this program with your team of volunteers!

Munchkin Ministry

The final day for Munchkin Ministry for the summer months will be Sunday, June 24. In July and August, there will be no snacks or coffee available in our lobby on Sunday mornings. Munchkin Ministry will return in September. Thank you to the **Ashtons and Holdens,** along with your team of volunteers, for providing refreshments for our members and guests each week.

It's That Time Again!



During our last host week, our shepherds challenged us to fill up the volunteer list... AND WE DID! And, we did it over a week before the host week. CAN WE DO IT AGAIN?!? Yes, it's summer, and everyone is coming and going... but please make the effort to sign up to volunteer. Our Family Promise guests do not "take time off" from the program just because it's summer, they still need housing. So, if possible, make time in your summer plans to volunteer for this worthy cause!

TODAY!

You're Invited to a Graduation Open House for



Cassidy Brooke Davis

June 10, 1:00-4:00 pm at 415 Grape St., Hammonton, NJ 08037



You're Invited to a Graduation Open House for

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Morgan Lynn Pearl

June 10, 2:00-6:00 pm at 687 Garden Rd., Pittsgrove, NJ 08318



NEXT Sunday!



goodnews

On June 2, Adam and Ethan Cerquoni both tested for their Black Belts in Kickboxing. They began at 8:00 am and completed their testing at 12:00 pm. They

both achieved their goal! Congratulations Adam and Ethan! We are proud of your hard work and determination!

Morgan Pearl received over \$1500 in scholarships at the senior awards ceremony at Salem County Vocational Technical School. She will apply the scholarships to Nursing School in the fall! Congratulations Morgan! Your diligent work is literally paying off!

Volunteers are needed to help hang the acoustic tiles in the auditorium on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>June 16 at 8:30 am</u>. If you are able to help, please contact <u>Steve</u> Pierre-Jacques at 856-237-4959.



Our Schedule

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 Wee	ek
Bible Class	105
Worship	178
LIFE Groups	NA
Wednesday	35

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Elder on Call for June: Brian Holden

Serving Us Today

Nurserv Hope DeStefano Kids For Christ Robin Steward Jr. Worship **Summer Break**

Greeters: Front Entrance Ron Dargan & Mandy Mansdoerfer

Greeters: Back Entrance Larry Peterson & Joe Marshall

Information Center Brenda Peoples

Ushers Mike Lazar & Justin Guy

Shepherd's Call John Peoples Song Leader Garth Hutchinson

Communion



SAVE THE DATE!

Plan to attend the annual July 4th festivities with Pitman Road!

- •View the Pitman July 4th Parade from the Cooper's front lawn.
- View the Alcyon Lake Park fireworks from our property as we host the local community.

Find Us on Social Media:







Giving for MAY	
MAY GOAL	\$39,472.00
Total MAY Contribution	\$37, 829.00
Fiscal YTD GOAL	\$473,664.00
Fiscal YTD Contribution thru MAY	\$466,063.00

This Week's Prayer Requests

Prayer Requests:

Dwight Thompson has been moved to Lions Gate Rehabilitation Hospital, 1110 Laurel Oaks Rd., Voorhees, NJ 08043, rm. 238. Contact Mary Lea if you would like to visit. Chemo treatments have been suspended until he regains strength.

Mike Lazar will be having shoulder surgery THIS Tuesday.

Clare Hightower will be having an ablation heart procedure for rapid heart rate at Penn Presbyterian Hospital THIS Wednesday. Please pray for a successful outcome.

Linda Prenger will have a biopsy tomorrow morning by the top Pulmonary Intervention doctor at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. Results are due within the week and then a treatment plan will be finalized. Linda and Lisa will be staying here for the duration of her treatments. Please continue to pray for Linda and her family.

John Cerquoni, Adam's brother, was denied coverage at a rehabilitation facility and will remain hospitalized. Doctors will attempt to wean him off of the ventilator there. You can send cards of encouragement to John c/o Madison Wilson, 162 Thornwood Dr., Marlton, NJ 08053.

Sandy Sheehan, liver enzyme numbers have gone extremely high. Tests reveal nothing. Dr. has removed all medications and will retest in 3 weeks. Also, Sandy will be having surgery on June 28 for Endovascular Arotic Aneurysm Repair. She asks for prayers for both concerns.

Geen Richards, Brenda Busch's aunt, update: Her tumor has shrunk significantly after this first round of chemotherapy. She will be taking another round of chemo, but in medication form. She is in good spirits, except that she is often tired. She thanks everyone for their prayers.

Kareem Rutledge, Jr. continues his stay at Magee Rehabilitation Hospital. Continue to pray for his complete recovery.

Lea Ann Kellum, broken bones in foot and toe; she will be out of work for at least another week.

Leanne Connelly, Judi Campbell's daughter; surgery to remove two abscesses from her colon. She will have a colostomy bag for four months and then surgery to repair and close her colon.

Van Edwards has been diagnosed with breast cancer. Initial test results have been very encouraging!

Dorice Mitchell, Katherine Cooper's father, resting at home.

Stephanie DeStefano, reoccurrence of diverticulitis.

Jim Davis, Tim's' dad, now in the Hammonton Center for Rehabilitation and Healthcare (43 N. White Horse Pike, Hammonton), room 115 B.

Women Encouraging Women presents JOURNEYS WITH JESUS

Mondays, June 11, 18, and 25, at 7:00 pm Folsom Church of Christ, 1530 4th Avenue, Folsom, PA 19033

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