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Thank you to all those who volunteered during our Family Promise Host Week!

Whether you cooked, hosted, drove, set-up, or cleaned up, your service was invaluable to the success of the week. By volunteering for this ministry, you have assisted in lives being positively impacted by the love of Jesus!

We also thank **John Ashton** for his continuing efforts in recruiting volunteers and coordinating the week. **Our next host week is October 20-27, 2019, so mark your calendars!**

If you have not been involved in Family Promise in the past, please consider getting involved in the future. It is a blessing to be a part of an outreach ministry that gives a hand up to those in need right here in our own communities. ***It's never too soon to contact John and sign up to volunteer!***

Blood Drive in the FLC, 10 am - 3 pm

Today we are doing something we've never done before. **We are hosting a blood drive on a Sunday!** Every two seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood, and each year 4.5 million lives are saved by blood transfusions.

Join us as we change and save lives! It's not too late to give, even if you have not set up an appointment time.

Give in memory of our beloved brother, Larry Kellum, Sr.



Where is Everyone?

Summer is always a time of coming and going, so many Sundays, during the Summer months, our auditorium looks a little too empty.

Once again today, a bunch of our kids (as campers) and our adults (as staff) are at Camp Manatawny. **Please be extra prayerful for Rebekah and Elizabeth Lazar as they direct Junior High 1 week of Camp.** This is a very big deal!

Then, **be involved and prayerful for Manny's week, Elementary 1.** Manny still needs extra help on several fronts. Do not hesitate to call him and ask him about how you might be able to help. Remember Dan's sermon from a few weeks back. God has called you to be a minister! Are you acting like one? **"Will you be a 'Minister?'"**

Thank you to all our members who support camp with their time, talents, and finances.

Our Mission

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

From Daniel's Den

So, you might ask... "How is Semi-Retirement Going?"

It is hard to tell! It is off to quite a busy start. But, I am certainly not complaining! On July 1st, my first actual day of semi-retirement, a group of us (thanks to the goodness of Andy and Donna M.) were touring in Switzerland immediately after the France mission trip. God is quite the Creator and an amazing artist. Great to have a personalized tour. We finished our tour of Switzerland on July 3rd and flew home. Then came July 4th.

First week home, and we hosted a front yard full of church friends, neighbors, and family for the Pitman July 4th parade. A great day connecting with yard work first, then with family and friends. And, that week home was the time we were finally able to read all of those heart felt and deeply touching cards that you presented to us on the day of my final sermon as a full time preacher. Thank you again and again for honoring us in such a beautiful way. You touched our hearts. You may have already forgotten what you wrote, but we will not forget. Those cards with expressions of love and gratitude have been read and re-read. And, we plan to read them again during our week in Aruba.

Then, there was last Sunday with the funeral service for patriarch, Larry Kellum, Sr. on Sunday afternoon, and the fill in preaching appointment at the Cape May Court House Church of Christ on Sunday morning. And, what a treat it was to assist Paul Burgin in baptizing Paul and Sherri's youngest two teens, Laine and Dean, in the Atlantic Ocean. And, what a send off we gave to "Slice and Dice." I'm thinking he has a big smile right now!

And did I mention that the "Fort. grandkids" stopped in for a five day visit in the midst of all of this? I was able to spoil the grandkids with one visit to the water ice station, one visit to McDonalds play area, and candy from Heritage's every morning.

Today I am reveling in Ecc. 3:1-8, and "a time for everything under heaven," even slowing down.

- *Dan the Connecting, Semi-Retired, Preacherman*



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

"For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven."

- Ecc. 3:1



Derrick Busch
Minister

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We're All A Mess

5 Myths About Depression- Michael S. Lundy

This article was enlightening! I promise to get back to my articles, "The Battle is Real" after sharing the "5 Myths About Depression." Be encouraged...

Myth #1: It won't happen to me.

As for me, I said in my prosperity,
"I shall never be moved."

By your favor, O Lord,
you made my mountain stand strong;
you hid your face;
I was dismayed. (Psalm 30:6-7)

Overconfidence may not lead directly to a fall or to depression, but being overconfident hardly prepares one for either. David appears to have expected his spiritual "prosperity" to continue unbroken—the sort of "I've finally arrived" attitude that many of us may have experienced briefly before learning that, no, life usually *doesn't* continue in an unbroken vista of "personal peace and affluence."

Even the achieving of those dubious goals does not (thankfully) fully protect us from the "slings and arrows of outrageous fortune." It is better to expect what we are promised in Scripture in the form of unwanted and (hopefully) undeserved suffering. Otherwise, we risk being surprised by that very thing about which we have been repeatedly warned (**1 Peter 4:12**).

Depression can be quite as fiery a trial as any other, and will be if we imagine that we "shall never be moved." The good news—outlined explicitly in this same Psalm—is that God *does* indeed hear the cry of the afflicted, and he *does* answer those cries with deliverance that ends with mourning turned into dancing and songs of praise. Even if I do not experience depression myself, thinking that I avoid it because it is an *impossibility* does not equip me to be particularly sympathetic towards those who *do* suffer. In fact, very many people *are* significantly depressed at some point in life, sometimes as a result of serious medical illness, sad circumstances, or for no apparent reason at all. If we are led into the suffering which Scripture promises, we must trust God to lead us through it in ways of his choosing.

- *Derrick*



Class of 2019

Each year, we highlight our high school and college graduates. This week we are featuring two of our grads, **Luke Olley** and **Jacob Broyles**. We will feature the remaining as we receive their graduation information. **Congratulations to all of our graduates!**



Luke Olley graduated from ACIT high school on July 20th where he spent 4 years in the AFJROTC program. He was a starting soccer goalie for three years, he was a member of The National Technical Honor Society, The National Honor society, and he was a student council representative. He served on Frank Lobiano's youth advisory council, he served as a freshman mentor, he attended Boy's State (a youth leadership program), and he won numerous awards from AJROTC over the four years. He also won several monthly student awards for Kind-

ness and Fairness (but his parents had to find out from other sources). His senior year he received the Leadership Award of Excellence from the United States Army. Luke received an ROTC scholarship to The Citadel and Texas A & M, and an appointment to The United States Military Academy at West Point. He is currently at West Point enduring Cadet Basic Training, also known as "Beast"! It has been Luke's desire to serve his nation since he was a young boy. Upon his appointment to West Point, we asked Luke if he was sure that this was what he wanted to do- "I see it as an honor to serve and protect the people of my country!"

Jacob Broyles graduated Magna Cum Laude from Harding University in Searcy, Arkansas with a Bachelors degree in Public Relations. While at school, he was a member of the TNT social club. He wrote for the school newspaper, worked for the Sports Information Department, and served as the HU16 Live at Five television weatherman. He is currently pursuing a career in management for Enterprise Rental Car in Nashville, TN.

Congratulations to both Luke and Jacob! We're so proud of you, and we're excited to see where God leads you in this next phase of life!



Air Conditioning: HEAT WAVE!

In the middle of this heat wave, you need to know two things about our church building:

1. We have 30 tons of air conditioning to cool our church building. That is a lot of air conditioning! When it is super hot, and extra humid, our AC units labor to keep up with the heat and all of the body heat in the auditorium. Please be patient. Our biggest issue is when the auditorium is full and it is hot and humid. This condition typically only happens two or three times a year!
2. It does not help to turn the AC units below 70°. Please do not ever turn AC units below 70°.

Thank you for your cooperation! - **Dan**

Volunteers Needed for Camp Manatawny



August 3-10, 2019

Manny Vander Vennen is urgently looking for two male counselors (age 18 or older) and three Bible class teachers who would be willing to serve at Elementary 1 week.

Elementary 1 is the week with the youngest group of campers, aged 7-8 years old. This is something that promises to be a highlight of your summer! **Please contact Manny if you are able to help:** (home: 856-241-7757; cell: 484-886-5349; email: manatawny@gmail.com)

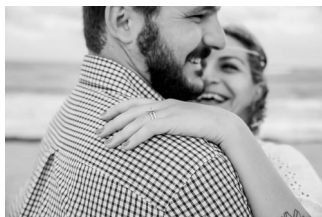
Congratulations to The Peterson Family!

We are pleased and excited to announce that **Larry and Lisa Peterson** will be gaining not one, but TWO daughters-in-law!

Matt Peterson is engaged to **Kelsey Spiegel**. Their wedding is planned for September 2021.

Larry Peterson is engaged to **Ashley Brigandi**, and a Summer 2020 wedding is in the plans.

Congrats, and well wishes to both couples and their families!



Bread Ministry Volunteers Needed



I am looking for bakers, men or women, to prepare the visitor's bread for the following months: August, September, October, November, and December. Please sign your name on the sign-up sheet located at the Welcome Center. In addition, volunteers

are also needed to pass out or assist in passing out the bread on Sunday. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you in advance for your assistance. - **Mary Collier**

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 Week

Bible Class	85
Worship	193
LIFE Groups	NA
Wednesday	52

Giving for June

June GOAL	\$49,150.00
Total June Contribution	\$49,016.00
Fiscal YTD GOAL	\$520,990.00
Fiscal YTD Contribution through June	\$508,017.00

This Week's Prayer Requests

Prayer Requests:

Diana Ford, sister of Jayne Schofield, surgery for colon cancer on Monday, July 29th.

Judy Fitzpatrick, still in a lot of pain. Still unable to eat.

Emma Drummer, home recovering from a procedure she had done.

Zachary Kuznetzoff, grandson of Elinda Hunter, recovering from pneumonia. He is just now starting to be up and about, and his cough seems better, though he is still on breathing treatments and some other meds. Praise God the healing is slowly happening!

Cliff Dando, home resting following his recent fall and his stay at Cooper Hospital. He appreciates all the prayers.

Zach Rizzuto, brain cancer. Will have another MRI this month.

Eddie, son of Debbie Camorata's friend/coworker, continues to have several serious health issues. Continued prayers are appreciated.

Max Lancaster Health Update: Cardiac procedure to eliminate a-fibs was successful and he is experiencing solid improvement in stamina in recovering from Pneumonia. Grateful for so many prayers for Debbie and me this year in our surprise health issues

Please continue to pray for **Clare Hightower, Patti Frambes, Doug Oliver, Elinda Hunter, and Linda Prenger**, as they receive treatment for/recover from cancer, as well as **Kareem Rutledge, Jr. and Je'Ani Lyles** in their rehabilitation/recovery from life changing injuries.

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Elder on Call for July and August: Garth Hutchinson

Serving Us Today

Nursery	Hope DeStefano
Kids For Christ	Summer Break
Jr. Worship	Summer Break
Greeters: Front Entrance	Donna Mychajlowycz & Pat Monteleone
Greeters: Back Entrance	Justin & Rebecca Guy
Information Center	Shachara Adams
Ushers	John & Corey Peoples
Shepherd's Call	Garth Hutchinson
Song Leader	Mike Broyles

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Last Sunday, John Peoples prayed over his daughter, **Brianna Peoples**, as she prepared to close one chapter in her life and begin another. Brianna has been appointed to West Point Prep, so this was her last Sunday worshipping at Pitman Road for the foreseeable future. We're so proud of you, Brianna. We will continue to pray for you as you allow God to lead you on this journey!

CC Brianna Peoples
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Please pray for all of our Troops!

New Cadet Luke C. Olley
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(Drop "New" after August 17th)



Jade Adams completed thirteen weeks of United States Marine Corps Recruit Training in Parris Island, SC this past Thursday, July 18. She is now officially a Marine! We're so proud of you, Jade!