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# Pitman MAD (Making a Difference) Moments at Camp Manatawny

This past Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, a band of faithful floor sanders and finishers besieged the floors in the dining hall at Camp Manatawny.

Those floors receive very heavy usage, and had not been refinished in at least 15 years; so they were overdue. Special thanks to the following servants for their back breaking, saw-dust breathing, on hands and knees work! Rebekah and Donna Lazar and Ben Stutsman (with an encouraging visit from Andrew, Addy and Maddy Cooper) on Sunday.

Jay Schneider, Angel Bobe, Mike Lazar, Sherri Herndon, John and Kathy Ashton, Roseann Savastano, Andy Mychajlowycz, and yours truly, working on Sunday and Monday. Extra Credit goes to Angel and Adam, who spent a second night at Camp and added a third coat of Polyurethane finish to the floors on Tuesday morning.

- Dan the Connections Man





Several people who have decided to say yes to building relationships with kids recently attended an Orange Tour event in Manheim, PA. The event includes general sessions focusing on a theme and breakout sessions, including topics such as, marketing strategy, designing successful ministries and exploration of the Orange curriculum. "It's Personal" is this year's theme for the Orange Tour. Each general session looked at the story of Zacchaeus from Luke 19 and how Jesus saw Zacchaeus differently than everyone else did. When we learn to really see someone and to truly allow ourselves to be seen, walls break, and relationships deepen. We learned five questions to which everybody needs somebody to know the answer. Robin Steward, Manny Vander Vennen, Sheri Herndon, Donna

Lazar, Joey Peacher, and Callie Peacher learned these questions. Ask one of them about their experience at Orange Tour and the five questions. Then say yes to the next generation by signing up to help in the Kids Ministry. Perhaps you can be the somebody who knows the answer to these defining questions for JUST ONE kid.

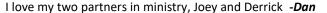
# From Daniel's Den

### The Sacrificial Lamb?

Most of our bulletin readers know that I am a big advocate for a monthly periodical, The Christian Chronicle. Why? Because every month The Chronicle hits on subjects that are important to me. Every month they emphasize positive and uplifting news. Every month they include photos of real people working to make Jesus real in their own communities. And, because every so often they include a story about our church, and our efforts to connect with people in South Jersey and the greater Philadelphia area. Did you see the story they included in the October issue about Rebecca Guy and our church leaders praying over her Woodrow Wilson High School in Camden on page 5?

I also found the lead story on ministerial change particularly relevant to our church. That lead article, "I don't want to be the sacrificial lamb" tells of a minister transition in Oregon, following the 38 year tenure of Gregg Strawn. The new minister (Thomas Pruett), told his wife, "I don't want to be the sacrificial lamb." Experts say that "Congregations that adore their preacher who leaves or retires often have trouble accepting the new guy, who typically quits or is forced out within a few years." The Oregon church carefully "aims to make a smooth transition." Now, I don't know that anyone "adores" me, but I do know we have a lot of history: graduations, parties, showers, weddings, baptisms, and funerals. That is all good.

I also know that transitions can be very difficult. That doesn't mean it is impossible! God specializes in doing difficult things. Just like Greg Strawn in Oregon humbly changed roles, I am wanting to "pave the way for this congregation to love and accept" Joey. Every time I have opportunity to build up Joey or to bless him, you will find me doing just that! He must increase and I must decrease. You will find me in his corner. You will not find me competing with him. That is God at work.





Dan Cooper aka "Dan, Dan, the Preacherman"

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Bud Britton Deacon

# A Servant Speaks

### Getting More Than You Give

Several years ago, an elder asked my wife and I to help with the Sunday service at the facility at Parke Place. We went not really knowing what to expect. What we found were warm and friendly people, who were so appreciative of our visit. My wife and I went to serve them, but soon found that we were coming away refreshed and renewed by these senior saints.

They have become friends. Each week it is with joy that we go. What started out as a service has become a pleasure.

As I have become a senior myself, my only fear is that one of these Sundays they will keep me. But do you know what? I think that would be wonderful anyway.

So, if you are looking for a place to serve, meet us there. You too can get more than you give.

"One man gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly but comes to poverty." (Proverbs 11:24)

-Bud

## Trunk or Treat and Fall Festival - Wednesday, October 30

Two great events for children and their families! Same-day, here at Pitman Road. Invite someone! Invitations available at the Welcome Center. Both events, rain or shine.

<u>Trunk or Treat:</u> Come join us for Trick or Treat at a safe, traffic free environment! (Members, please be here with your vehicle trunks decorated and candy to hand out to the children.)

- $^{*}$  Meal begins at 5:30 pm, and Trunk or Treat begins at 6:15 pm
- \* Please accompany your children through the parking lot.

<u>Fall Festival:</u> Free fun and games for children ages 2 - 12! (Members, If you would like to help with stations, please sign up under "Fall Festival Volunteers" at the Welcome Center.)

- \* Activities will begin as kids come in from Trunk or Treat.
- \* Please accompany your children through the activities.



#### Pitman Group --> French Camp --> LEANDRE VERMELLE --> "Christians on Mission" Program --> Equipped French Christian!

Look what Pitman missions in France has done: Leandre Vermelle, age 22

Leandre exemplifies what our church hopes to accomplish through camp "work weeks" in France!

- 2007 2015: Attended Bible camp (age 10 to 17)
- 2015: Witnessed the love of God, baptized at camp age 17
- 2016 2019: Served as camp counselor
- September 2019: Began "Christians on Missions" (CEM) one-year training program!

Could you help Leandre finance his year of CEM training with a <u>one-time donation</u>? **THANK YOU** for helping equip him reach other French people with the love of Christ!

#### How to contribute:

- 1. Make check payable to "McKnight Crossings Church of Christ"
- 2. Memo section of check: "Leandre Vermelle CEM"
- 3. Mail to: McKnight Crossings Church of Christ, 2515 South McKnight Rd., St. Louis, MO 63124



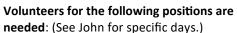


Say Yes to Children's Ministry!
Open team positions and job descriptions are posted in the foyer near the children's wing.

Use your gifts in the classroom, on the stage, or behind the scenes. Add your name to a job tag and make a commitment to our kids today! See **Robin Steward** for help finding a position.

### FAMILY PROMISE HOST WEEK Sunday, October 20 – Sunday, October 27

Our next Host Week of the year is coming up next month, so it's time to start signing up to volunteer! Please see **John Ashton**, our coordinator, in the lobby TODAY to volunteer, or call him at **609-214-8522**.



Cook Laundry
Overnight Host Van Transfer

Morning Driver Evening Driver



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Sign Up Now to Build Communities

and Strengthen Lives!

Family Promise

Host Week

PITMAN ROAD

Pitman Road Church of Christ,

During a time like this we realize how much our friends and relatives really mean to us. Your expression of sympathy will always be remembered. - *The Family of Joanne Dunn* 

We have a bus trip scheduled to see "Queen Esther" at Sight & Sound Theatre on Saturday, April 4, 2020. The cost is \$125 for adults and \$60 for children (ages 4-12).

The cost includes show, bus and dinner at Shady Maple restaurant. There is a sign up sheet at the welcome center. There are only 27 tickets available! All money is due by January 18, 2020.

For additional information please contact Brian Holden. (H) 856-881-6792 (C) 856-759-2542 (E) bcholden94@hotmail.com



CAMP MANATAWNY - 5K Trail Run/Walk We are also adding a free 1-mile fun run! Saturday, October 26 at 9:00 am

All ages and ability levels welcome! Race begins and ends at Camp Manatawny. Rain or shine.

Cost: **\$20** (if you register online by midnight on October 23) \$25 (for walk-on registration the day of)

\* All 5K online registrants will receive a FREE Manatawny 5K T-shirt. (Walk on registrants are subject to availability.)

<u>Can't be at camp on October 26? Be a virtual runner!</u> Go to **manatawny.org** for the schedule, to register, or for information!

**Barbara Robinson** is still in need of meals. Her vision is still not good enough to cook. **If you are able to provide a meal, please contact Lucy Fair.** You can either bring the prepared meal to the building and Lucy will deliver it, or you can call Barbara (856-392-5268) directly and drop the meal off on a personal visit.



Ladies of Sunset Church of Christ invite you to **Our Harmonious Symposium** on **October 26, 2019 from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm**. Our guest speaker will be Keisha Bradley of the 13th Street Church of Christ in Washington, DC. Lunch will be served. This is a casual affair. **Please RSVP to Connie Moore by October 11th.** Call or text 609-284-5209 Location: 611 Sunset Road, Burlington, NJ 08016



Libby Mansdoerfer was baptized by her dad, Brian, on Sunday, September 29 at the conclusion of our worship service. The angels in heaven are rejoicing, and we rejoice with them. Libby was born and raised here at Pitman Road, and now we can rejoice as we count her as a sister in Christ! Congrats, and welcome to the family!

#### 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	112
Worship	186
LIFE Groups	116
Wednesday	NC

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Giving for September	
September GOAL	\$48,195.00
Total September Contribution	\$42,035.00
Fiscal YTD GOAL	\$125,307.00
Fiscal YTD Contribution thru September	\$115,152.00

# This Week's Prayer Requests

Sunday Response to Invitation: Rebecca Guy asks for prayers for her son.

#### **Prayer Requests:**

Misty, Troy Spencer's sister, unfortunately her condition has worsened and she will remain in NC. She has had one treatment so far, but continues to experience a great deal of pain and nausea. Troy left this past Thursday to AZ to pack up his parents home, and drive his father and dog to NC over the following 6 days. His parents will be living in NC for the duration of Misty's treatments. Continued prayers are welcome and needed. Ray Angelucci, father of Derrick's Busch's good friend and coworker, has been declining further regarding his health. Medically, the family has been told there is nothing else that they can do to preserve his life. Prayers for Ray Angelucci and family! Hazel, Emma Drummer's sister, is recovering after having a pace

John Schofield, out of the hospital and working on getting his diabetes under control.

Dorothy Cunningham, Brenda People's mother, did great with surgery to change her dialysis port. Next day it worked perfectly! Anita O'Hara, thanks everyone for their visits and calls. She is in Elmwood Hills at 425 Woodbury - Turnersville Rd., Blackwood, NJ 08012. If you plan to visit, call her first.

Frankie George, a little boy who Marlene Patterson is requesting prayers for, seems to be turning the corner and is improving. It's a slow process, but the family is so lifted by all the prayers. **Cliff Dando**, cellulitis has improved, but he is falling a lot due to vertigo. He would appreciate our prayers!

Glenn Ziegler, Melody Davis' dad, prayers for the doctors as they are still trying to make important decisions.

Please continue to pray for 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 October: Mike Lazar

### Serving Us Today

Nursery Brittany Spaeth

Kids For Christ Manny Vander Vennen

Jr. Worship Sherri Herndon

Greeters: Front Entrance Frank & Sandy Sheehan Greeters: Back Entrance George & Cookie Rowe

Information Center Jackie Fenton

Ushers Mike Lazar & Corey Peoples

Shepherd's Call Brian Holden Song Leader Garth Hutchinson

LIFE Group	Location	Contact
Ageless	Mychajlowycz' at noon	908-294-4056
Brook Besor	Durham's Tuesday at 7 pm	856-589-2280
Circle of Sisters	Sbaraglia's Monday at 7 pm	856-419-0544
Hammonton	Ashtons' at 6 pm	609-214-8522
Men's Bible Study	Church Bldg. Monday at 7 pm	856-217-3956
Refreshed	Church Bldg. rm B4 at noon	267-303-4877
Solid Gold	Lazars' at 12:30 pm	856-304-4996
Teens	Church Bldg, at noon	610-476-9057
Vineland	H. Pearl's at 5 pm	609-805-0228
Women in the Word	Church Bldg. FLC, Tues. 9:45 am	856-981-9754
Young Adults	Hutchinsons' Friday at 6:30 pm	609-414-2606
Married with	Church Bldg. rm B2 at noon	856-899-9466

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worship service.

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website at pitmanroadcoc.com

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