

# PCC Bulletin Connections July 10, 2020

**Sunday Worship Service** (Sundays, 10:30 am)— People are gradually returning to in-person worship while others are continuing to worship via livestream. For the foreseeable future face masks and 6-foot distancing will be the standard, but these hurdles don't prevent us from heartfelt worship!

**Spanish Language Service** (Sundays, 10:00 am)—Our Hispanic congregation meets in-person in the Apex and via livestream each Sunday. We praise God for this wonderful part of our PCC family!

**In-person Bible study** at PCC in Room 11 on Sunday Morning 9-10:15am and **also on Zoom.** Any questions about study ask John Overhauser, Mark Almeter, Ken Odell or Dan Elia or any group member.

Title of the Bible study: **Psalms (starts today)**Location: **Room 11** off of the PCC Family Life Center

Time: Every Sunday 9-10:15 A.M

Teachers: Facilitated by group members

If you would like to be invited by e-mail for Zoom meeting

contact: (Good connection for 1.5hr without break)

Mark Almeter: m\_almeter@hotmail.com

\*Ken Odell class coordinator

Our last **PCC CONNECTION NEWSLETTER** will be this August. All information usually found in our newsletter will be accessible through our website and specific links to the active ministry areas of PCC.

**Remember to scroll** to the end of our bulletin connection to get the sermon outline for this Sunday, July 12<sup>th</sup>.



#### Download the PCC App!

PCC has begun using an app to check in for services and communicate upcoming events! (Once everything gets up and running again other features will become available as well!). The App is called **Church Center**. It is free to download and easy to use. Simply go to the app store on your smartphone and download the "Church Center" app. Find Pittsford Community Church by using your location or typing in Pittsford to the search bar and sign into the app using your personalized log in information. If you need more help, we have created a quick tutorial video. Watch it by clicking here. Currently, we are asking you to use the app to check yourself and your family into our Sunday morning church service. Simply go on the app on Sunday mornings, click the check-in button on the bottom of the screen, and check in! Simple and easy. Obviously, every new system has it's kinks so if you have trouble logging in or if you don't see members of your family on the check-in screen please don't hesitate to reach out to Pastor Chris (arcadi@pittsfordcc.org) or the church office (mail@pittsfordcc.org)!

**Library Repurposing Update**—As you know, our Vision Deacon



Team approved plans to repurpose our library space for much needed meeting space. The library books will be redistributed to various ageappropriate classrooms in the building for personal use (no need to check out books, just

borrow them as needed and return them when you are done).

### Update on the Organ Fund



At our town hall meeting in April we discussed raising funds for the purchase of the new organ. At that meeting, it was decided that we would put a down payment on an organ which had become available and begin to raise funds for the instrument. The sentiment at the time was that we would see what the level of giving was toward the project and, from there, make a determination as to whether or

not there was significant enough support from the congregation to move ahead with the purchase. In consideration of the company who is holding the organ for us, the Vision Team has decided it is appropriate to set a fundraising goal and deadline for the project. To move forward with the purchase of the organ we must raise 75% or \$22,500 of the \$29,500 needed for the instrument by August 2<sup>nd</sup>. If this goal is achieved, we would fund the remaining balance from the reserves the church currently has. If the 75% goal is not achieved, then PCC will not replace the organ at this time. Currently, \$15,520 has been raised toward the project. If you would like to give to the organ fund, please visit this link or designate "organ fund" on your offering.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY

JULY 13 - 17

"You are receiving this email because you either participated in Pittsford Community Church's Vacation Bible School program last year or expressed interest in attending this year."

Hello and welcome to summer!

As you know Pittsford Community Church decided not to host Vacation Bible School this year. Things have settled down

somewhat but there are still so many unknowns, trying to plan and execute this year is just not possible.

We are excited, however, to have an opportunity to connect with you with and do a fun outreach project. Residents of senior care facilities have not had the opportunity to have visitors in months due to restrictions in place. We thought it would be a blessing to them to make cards and pictures for them to show that they are loved.

We have set aside Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup> – Friday, July 17<sup>th</sup> from **10:00am-12:00pm** for families to stop by PCC and join us. Each participant will receive his/her own supplies to make their card or pictures. Physical distancing procedures will be followed for the safety and comfort of everyone who is able to attend. We will also be wiping down all common areas frequently throughout each morning. Cool snacks and fun gift bags will also be provided.

Want to make cards but can't stay? That's OK! We will have kits available to pick up, work on at home, and return by the end of the week.

To help us ensure we have enough supplies please register your family using the following link:

https://pittsfordcc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/4503 80. Feel free to share with others who you think might be interested. Don't know if you can make it yet? No worries. Just show up if your schedule allows. We would love to see you!

Cards and pictures will be delivered to some area nursing homes on July 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>.

Please feel free to email Laura Thurston, <a href="mailto:lthurston@pittsfordcc.org">lthurston@pittsfordcc.org</a> if you have any questions.

In Service, Your PCC VBS Team

**Prayer Groups**—Consider joining others for weekly or monthly prayer. Simply contact the prayer group "host" to receive an invitation to a Zoom-based prayer meeting:

- Tuesday Night Prayer Group (7:00-8:30 pm), email Al Emmans at alemmans1@gmail.com.
- Wednesday Virtual Intercessory Prayer Group (7:30-8:30 pm), email Dana Goodnough at goodnough@pittsfordcc.org
- Sunday Morning Prayer (9:00-10:00 am), email Al Emmans at alemmans1@gmail.com.
- First Friday Praying for Teens, email Maryann Quirk at sistermar2003@yahoo.com

-- Prayer Needs

- Prayer for the Benedict Family Continued prayer for the family and for Brian who is dealing with a kidney stone.
   Much comfort, peace, and healing are needed through this difficult time.
- Vacation Bible School outreach this coming week
- Al Fransen surgery recovery
- Jean McDermott Continued prayer for her health, healing, and well-being
- **Steve and Megan Soja** ask for prayer for their daughter, Hope, who will be having heart surgery in Boston on July 28.
- Dave Brick and family
- Prayer Request submitted from Website I've handwritten an important unspoken prayer request. Please pray that the Lord will fully, powerfully answer everything I've asked for in that prayer request. Pray that God will give me wisdom where I ask for wisdom, and clear guidance, understanding and insight in all those areas I ask for. Pray that the Lord will lead many powerful prayer warriors to pray for this. Thank you so much, and God bless you.

# A Journey with Jesus

### The Travel Narrative in the Gospel of Luke



"Facing Adversity" (Luke 12:1-12)

1. In the face of adversity, speak with integrity (12:1-3).

- 2. In the face of adversity, don't give in to fear (12:4-7).
- 3. In the face of adversity, declare your allegiance (12:8-10).

4. In the face of adversity, trust God's Holy Spirit (12:11-12).

# PCC WEEKLY PRAYER PLAN – July 10, 2020

## Prayer application from Sunday's sermon, "RIDICULOUS COINCIDENCE"

Read II Kings 8:1-6. PROVIDENCE is God's divine superintendence of all things. We often see evidence of His work in RIDICULOUS COINCIDENCES – circumstances and timing that leave us wondering, "What are the chances of that...?" A heart of RIDICULOUS FAITH knows coincidences don't happen by chance. God uses them in our lives so that we can testify to His glory, display His goodness, and be used by Him.

#### Providence for the Shunammite Woman

- 1.) Read II Kings 8:1-2. The woman obeyed God's instructions to move. Do you have the same soft and obedient heart? If God asked you to radically change your life, would you?
- 2.) Read Matthew 13:22-23. Is your heart like the seed that falls on good soil? Do you hear the word and understand it? Or is the word choked in you? Are you producing a crop 100, 60, or 30-fold?
- 3.) Read II Kings 8:6. The woman had suffered a huge injustice in the loss of her property and home. But God used RIDICULOUS COINCIDENCE (PROVIDENCE) to restore everything to her plus more. In what ways does God call us to care about and act regarding injustice?

#### Providence for the Ambassador of Christ

- 1.) Read II Corinthians 5:20-21 and 6:3-13. Are you an ambassador for Christ? Do you plead with people to be reconciled with God? Are you involved in the practical and sometimes messy work of the ministry of reconciliation?
- 2.) Read II Kings 8:5. Are you aware of an injustice that has happened to someone? Is God calling you to care? Is He calling you to appeal to the King to intercede in prayer or to take some kind of action?
- 3.) Read Esther Chapter 4, and specifically 4:12-14. Has God placed you in a situation for such as time as this? Are you at a crossroads of remaining silent or taking action?

## **PRAYER PLAN**

### **Pray for PCC fruitfulness**

- 1.) Pray for our entire congregation to be sensitive to God's voice during this time. Ask Him to open our eyes to see the work He wants to do through us.
- 2.) Ask God to help us approach the racial injustice discussions from HIS perspective. Pray for grace amongst us.
- 3.) Pray for application of recent sermons the Good Samaritan, God's care for us, seeing from God's perspective, warning against being skeptical, the character of our hearts, hypocrisy, and providence.
- 4.) Pray for disciple formation planning that we would prepare ourselves well for harvest
- 5.) Pray for awakening/revival in our families, community, and nation

### Pray for PCC congregation with various needs

- 1.) Pray for URIMON, the upcoming youth retreat!
- 2.) Proper spiritual perspective and prayerful action over national unrest and events
- 3.) Continued sharing and reach of PCC's viewership of the live stream services
- 4.) Salvations in our congregation and amongst live streamers
- 5.) Summer planning for families with kids
- 6.) Personal needs including employment, sicknesses, mourning, etc.
- 7.) Cross generational involvement in our prayer groups people of all ages