



PITTSFORD COMMUNITY
CHURCH

PCC Bulletin Connections

July 1, 2020

Sunday Worship Service (Sundays, 10:30 am)— The church building is once again open. Our Worship Center holds 70 and our overflow Family Life Center holds over 100, so as soon as you feel safe in joining us for onsite services please do so. Proper safety measures are in place. We still require 6-foot distancing between families and wearing masks during all but the sermon time. Livestreaming at home is, of course, still an option. Our Spanish language service begins at 10:00 am in the Apex.



church center

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)!

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 2nd.** 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, \$12,120 has been raised toward the project which is roughly 40% of the total price and 52% of goal.** If you would like to give to the organ fund, please visit [this link](#) or designate “organ fund” on your offering.

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 age-appropriate 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).



Communion Celebration This Sunday—For those in attendance at Sunday’s worship service communion will be provided in a safe way. For those livestreaming, remember to prepare ahead to share in the bread and cup.

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.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY

“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 13th – Friday, July 17th 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/450380>.

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 18th & 19th.

Please feel free to email Laura Thurston, lthurston@pittsfordcc.org if you have any questions.

In Service, Your PCC VBS Team

Congratulations to Doug and Chris Driscoll on the adoption of their son, Daniel Paul, who joined their family last week.



Daniel Paul



Daniel is seen here with his sister, Hope.

Carol Benedict passed into Glory on July 1st. Visiting hours are at the Keenan Funeral Home, Rt. 31 in Egypt on Tuesday, July 7th, 3 – 7 pm. A memorial service will be held here at PCC on Wednesday, July 8th at 11 am.

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 (May 1, 7:00 pm) email Maryann Quirk at sistermar2003@yahoo.com
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-- Prayer Needs

- **Prayer for the Benedict Family** – Carol passed away this morning and Brian was admitted to hospital with kidney stone. Much comfort, peace, and healing are needed through this difficult time.
- **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.

PCC WEEKLY PRAYER PLAN – July 1, 2020

Prayer application from Sunday's sermon, "[DINING WITH HYPOCRITES](#)"

Read Luke 11:27-48. God desires to expose our hypocrisy as part of our personal growth process. If we ignore or reject His teachings we are at risk of growing deeper in our hypocrisy and hurting others by it.

What is the Lord's true response to hypocrisy?

- 1.) Read Luke 11:37. Jesus dined with hypocrites. They invited him and he dined with them! He didn't have to, but in grace and truth He cared for them.
- 2.) Read Luke 11:39-41. Jesus challenged their hypocrisy with truth. He addressed religious hearts.
 - a. Is the Lord convicting you of hypocrisy? Is your Christian walk external only? Do you act like a Christian on the outside, but inside you are double-minded or superficial?
 - b. Do you read the Word and evaluate your heart against it? Are you allowing the spirit of God to root out hypocrisy in your life?
- 3.) Read Luke 11:42-44 and 46-52. Jesus pointed out the horror of their depravity.
 - a. "Woe" means "how horrible it is" for the hypocritical person. He wasn't condemning the Pharisees. He was trying to help them see how sad their condition was!
 - b. Read John 3:17. Do you see how the Lord was trying to help them? He was willing for them to change their hearts. He was challenging them in order to help them.
 - c. If the Lord is challenging you about hypocrisy, can you see that he is trying to help you?
- 4.) Read Luke 11:46 and 52. Jesus pointed out that their hypocrisy was hurting others.
 - a. Is your hypocrisy hurting others? Do you place unnecessary legalistic regulations on people? Do you disregard or overlook the spiritual plight of others?

Action steps for hypocrisy

- 1.) Test your heart for hypocrisy. Are you legalistic? Prideful? Focused on power? Focused on outwardly appearance? Are you empty inwardly? Are you rejecting God's promptings?
- 2.) In prayer, admit your hypocrisy to God. Ask Him for help. Wait for His answers.
- 3.) Read the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew chapters 5-7). Allow God to minister to you through it.
- 4.) Apologize to those you may have hurt with your hypocrisy.
- 5.) Discuss your need with Pastor Dana or Pastor Chris.

PRAYER PLAN

Pray for PCC fruitfulness

- 1.) Watch the [racial conversation video](#). Pray about efforts for our church to understand racial injustice. Ask God to help us stretch and accept uncomfortable change/growth.
- 2.) Ask God to help us apply Sunday's sermons and change because of them
- 3.) Pray for disciple formation planning – that we would prepare ourselves well for harvest
- 4.) 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