



PITTSFORD COMMUNITY
CHURCH

PCC Bulletin Connections

June 24, 2020

Sunday Worship Service (Sundays, 10:30 am)—The church is once again open at 25% capacity. Our Worship Center holds 70 soon as you feel safe in doing so. Proper safety measures are in place. We still require 6-foot distancing between families and masks during all but the sermon time. Livestreaming at home is, of course, still an option.



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, \$11,820 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’re done).



Communion Celebration Next Sunday—For those in attendance at next 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 Daily Breads have arrived for June – August (large print also here for July-September). A supply of them will be left at the office window and at the Welcome Desk in the foyer if you wish to stop by and pick one up.

A limited number of THE 2020-2021 PCC DIRECTORIES have been printed and are available (1 per family) at or near the Welcome Desk in the Foyer. Pick one up today for your household.

Pandemic Can't Slow PCC Spanish Outreach

Thankfully, Pittsford Community Church has been able to continue sharing the Word of God in Spanish for the past few months via livestream each Sunday morning. We invite you to join us!

Our friends who regularly attend the Spanish language service at PCC tune in from home on Sunday mornings. In addition, we have had people join us from Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, and Spain. This has proven to be a wonderful time that unites us as a community and is equipping us for our work in the Kingdom. During each online service, we feel the presence of God in an amazing way, and we enjoy seeing the participation of people through their comments. To join our online service, simply visit the [this Facebook page](#) at 10:30 a.m. Sunday.

We continue to reach out to our community in other ways, as well. We had a special time of coming together in a prayer chain through WhatsApp, where people committed to praying at different times of the day and night. In addition, we were able to support the work of a member by taking food and clothes to Spanish-speaking people in our community who are experiencing financial difficulties. More important than meeting their physical needs, we have shared the hope of the Gospel and prayed for them. Incredibly, we have seen about 10 people give their lives to Jesus, and the number continues to grow. We

believed 2020 would be a year of revival, and we are seeing that come to pass. All of this progress during a pandemic!

We also have been able to continue our Spanish language Bible study on Monday nights. Happily, some people who were not involved earlier are visiting with us now online via Zoom. We have enjoyed spontaneous times of worship, as well. Recently, we did a livestream worship on Facebook. It is great to witness the participation and see people sharing the messages and worship with others.

The members of our group are developing a deeper relationship with God. We are grateful for the participation of the English speakers who have shown courage in helping us move forward with this ministry. We look forward to being together in the church again soon, and to share more about our next steps. We feel led by God to put together an outreach service in one of the rural areas we have been visiting during the pandemic, and also want to follow up with the people in the city to whom we distributed food and clothes. With God's guidance, we will.

If you would like more information about Spanish outreach or to join the online Bible study, please contact Mauricio Riveros at rivem@pikeco.com or 1-585-752-3391.

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

-- Prayer Needs

- **Jean McDermott** – possible pneumonia; please pray for her health, healing, and well-being as it's been 9+ weeks of this
- **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**

Keep Scrolling for Sunday's Sermon outline on next page!

A Journey with Jesus

The Travel Narrative in the Gospel of Luke



“Dining with Hypocrites” (Luke 11:37-54)

1. Hypocrisy focuses on external issues and disregards the innermost heart (11:37-41).
2. Hypocrisy focuses on legalistic regulations and disregards love and justice (11:42-44).
3. Hypocrisy focuses on personal power and disregards the spiritual plight of people (11:45-54).

PCC WEEKLY PRAYER PLAN – June 24, 2020

Prayer application from Sunday's sermon, "**RIDICULOUS DELIVERANCE**"

Read II Kings 6:24-7:2. God desires to refine superficiality, unbelief, and skepticism in our lives. He tests us whether we will use our own strength or wait for His RIDICULOUS DELIVERANCE.

Is the Lord desiring to refine something in you?

- 1.) Read Zachariah 13:9, Isaiah 48:10, and Job 23:10. Are you in a fire? Are you being tested?
- 2.) Read II Kings 6:30 - Do you have a superficial heart? Are you focused only on pleasure, on wanting happiness without the suffering? Do you blame God when bad things happen? Do you pretend to have faith or a Christian walk, but deep down you know it's not real?
- 3.) Read II Kings 6:31 - When given the choice to humble yourself before God, do you instead choose your own prideful actions? Are you fighting against God?
- 4.) Read II Kings 6:33-7:1 - Have you come to the end of your strength? Are you ready for deliverance?

The opposite of a superficial heart is a sincere heart.

- 1.) Read Psalm 25:3 - Is your hope in the Lord?
- 2.) Read Psalm 40:1 - Are you waiting patiently for His solution?
- 3.) Read Psalm 123:2 - Are you looking to the Lord - UNTIL - He shows His mercy? Remember, only through RIDICULOUS PERSISTENCE can we lay hold of the prize.

How to receive RIDICULOUS DELIVERANCE.

- 1.) Humble yourself before God. Repent. Only in your repentance will you experience His deliverance.
- 2.) Encourage yourself with scriptures about God's promises.
 - a. Read Luke 1:37, Matthew 19:26, Matthew 17:20. Is your situation impossible for God?
 - b. Read Matthew 6:25-34. Seek first HIS kingdom and righteousness, not your own.
 - c. Read the full Sermon on the Mount in Matthew chapters 5-7. Confess any text that contradicts your character.
- 3.) Wait for the Lord. ***FAITH WAITS!***

PRAYER PLAN

Pray for PCC fruitfulness

- 1.) Ask God to make us fertile ground so we can produce the fruit He wants us to produce
- 2.) Ask God to help us become RIDICULOUS in our faith and action
- 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.) Proper spiritual perspective and prayerful action over national unrest and events
- 2.) Continued sharing and reach of PCC's viewership of the live stream services
- 3.) Salvation for streaming listeners who don't know the Lord
- 4.) Application of the sermons - ask God to help those who are convicted or questioning content
- 5.) Neighbors that PCC members are reaching out to
- 6.) Summer planning for families with kids
- 7.) Employment situations
- 8.) Those dealing with sicknesses or mourning
- 9.) Multiple generational presence in our prayer groups - people of all ages