

# The Pittsfield Christian

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## Coming Events

- 6/11 8:00 & 10:30 am Worship  
9:15 am Sunday School  
5:00 pm Worship Teams
- 6/12 6:00 pm Property Committee Meets  
8:00 pm AI Anon Meeting  
9:00 pm Church League Softball
- 6/13 6:30 pm Church Board Meeting
- 6/14 8:30 am Pike County Unmet Needs  
5:30 pm Wellness Class @ Lake
- 6/15 5:30 pm Children First Board Meets  
6:00 pm youth@first @ King Pool  
6:30 pm Prayer Shawl Group
- 6/18 8:00 & 10:30 am Worship  
9:15 am Sunday School
- 6/19 7:00 pm Church League Softball  
8:00 pm AI Anon Meeting
- 6/21 2:00 pm Wednesday Wellness @  
Harshman
- 6/22 6:00 pm youth@first @ Waterman
- 6/24 1:30 pm Dining Room Rental
- 6/25 8:00 & 10:30 am Worship  
9:15 am Sunday School

This coming Sunday, **June 11**, will be **Cookie Sunday!** Plan to stay after worship service and enjoy the cookies provided by our volunteers!

The **Church Board** will meet at 6:30 on Tuesday, **June 13**. Packets will be available June 11.

Anyone interested in participating on the **Property Committee** should attend the meeting on Monday, **June 12**, 6:00, at the church building. Contact Keith Elledge for more info.

The **Children First Board** will meet at 5:30 on **June 15**.

The **Prayer Shawl Group** will meet **June 15**, 6:30, in the **fellowship hall**.

Our **Church League Softball** schedule is: 6/12 9pm, 6/19 7pm, 7/3 9pm, 7/7 8pm. Contact Matt Sealock if you want to participate!

Congratulations Delanie Casto and Maddie Palmer for being awarded the Carol V. Claus Baughman Scholarship for 2017!

## Sunday morning schedule starting June 11, 2017

**8:00 a.m. Worship Service in the church sanctuary/ children's worship during the sermon.**

### 9:15 a.m. Small groups

#### Children & Students

- Nursery – Northeast upstairs room in the Education building
- Age 3 – Pre K – Northwest upstairs room in the Education bldg
- K-1<sup>st</sup> Grade – Middle West upstairs room in the Education bldg
- 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Grades – Southeast upstairs rm in the Education bldg
- 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grades – Southwest upstairs rm in the Education bldg
- 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grades – Upstairs room at Crossroads
- 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grades – Upstairs room at Crossroads

#### Opportunities for Adults

- Disciples Class (Michael Boren/ facilitator) –North end of Crossroads dining room
- Select to Connect group (Jack Hull/facilitator) – Front meeting room Crossroads
- New Beginnings Class (Burdette Irwin/facilitator) – Church (pastor's old office)
- Women's Group (Michelle Hart/ facilitator) – Church – Long Room
- Small Group (Roger Brokaw/ facilitator) – Admin building front room
- Small Group (Pastor Michael/ Zack Boren) – Admin building board room
- Possibly more to come

**10:30 a.m. Worship Service in the church sanctuary/ children's worship during sermon.**



*During Celebration Sunday on June 4, Phil Sandidge was baptized declaring his faith to rededicate himself to being obedient with Christ. Congratulations Phil!*

*Congratulations is due to Kenny and Alexis Manson on the birth of their second child. Breckyn Marie Manson was born May 23. Breckyn has been welcomed home by brother Brody.*

<p><b>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be July 16– 21.</b>  <b>Family Meal</b> entrée menu:  Monday - open faced turkey sandwiches  Tuesday - hot dogs  Wednesday - sloppy joes  Thursday - tacos  Friday - turkey &amp; noodles</p>	<p>During Whitetail Properties meetings, we will serve lunch <b>July 25, 26, 27.</b> We will also serve approximately 200 meals the evening of <b>July 26.</b> If you are available, consider saving those date(s) and help Judy Ferguson and Karen Goodwin in the kitchen. Contact Judy, Karen, Joyce Lemons or the office if you can help.</p>	<p><u><b>Prayer Concerns</b></u>  Ken Bradbury  Becky Maxwell  Sharon Shannon  Aaron Dell (Randy Guthrie's brother-in-law)  Gary Guthrie (Randy Guthrie's father)</p> <p>Chip Barber  Mary Chamberlain  Michelle Phipps  Teresa Wade</p>
<p><b>Mississippi Valley Christian Service Camp</b>  June 11 7-8th Grade  June 18 5-6th Grade  June 25 3-4th Grade  June 28 1-2nd Grade  July 1 5-2nd Grade  Registration forms are on the sanctuary mantels and in the church office. CMF will pay one half the camp fee for youth in our church family. Let the church office know if your child will attend.</p>	<p>We send an email called Steeple Points to our church family in an effort to reach the masses with timely information. Please let us know if you have not been receiving the email and we will immediately add you to the list.</p>	<p><i>Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity to Mississippi Valley Christian Service Camp during our Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser at the Crossroads Center. Your donation was a significant help to our efforts, and is a credit to your organization. Because of you, and others like you, MVCSC raised a substantial portion of our annual operating budget. This means the youth and children of our area can enjoy a Christ centered, positive, life-affirming and leadership building week at Mississippi Valley Christian Service Camp –Jim Dain.</i></p>
<p><i>The Pittsfield After Prom Committee would like to thank you for your continued support of this event. Without the support of our community and area businesses, this event would not be possible. Thank you for assisting us in providing a fun, safe, alcohol free event for the students that they will forever remember. We appreciate all you do for our community and our students. Thank you! -Pittsfield After Prom Committee and attendees.</i></p>	<p><i>Excerpt from FCA letter:  We thank you for partnering with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes this year. We hope it has been and will continue to be convenient for you, and your consistent support through this giving approach allows us to utilize the strengths of FCA where they are most effective. Through your much appreciated donation along with others, God is doing amazing things in our ministry. With appreciation and God bless.  -Todd Sweatman/Western IL FCA</i></p>	
<p><i>Thank you so much Roger Yaeger for making the wooden money tray to be used at church events! Besides being beautifully made, we can use the tray for various activities including Color Drive, Bazaar and Garage Sale. The tray will be very useful. Thank you again Roger!</i></p>	<p><i>Many thanks to the ladies Prayer Shawl group for the lovely shawl they gave me. It means a lot to me. Thanks again.  In Christian Love,  Judy Dunham.</i></p>	
<p><b>Here's the schedule for June Wednesday Wellness activities. Call your friend and everyone join us for this final month together!</b></p> <p><b>June 7</b> - 5:30 Meet at Lowry Park to walk the path and nearby neighborhood.</p> <p><b>June 14</b> - 5:30 Meet at Softball Diamond at Pittsfield Lake to walk and enjoy the scenery.</p> <p><b>June 21</b> - 2:00 Meet at the Fellowship Hall to carpool (or drive your own car if needed) to Mary Harshman's farm near Atlas/Rockport. She has a walking path that meanders through the hillside pastures to a beautiful outlook at the top! There will be a tent, lawn chairs and refreshments on the hilltop, so plan to spend time there relaxing and enjoying God's handiwork! Wear comfortable/sturdy walking shoes, sunscreen, bug spray and bring a bottle of H2O. Binoculars are advised as the birds are abundant and the scenery breathtaking! I'm guessing the carpool would return to church by 5:00.</p> <p><b>June 28</b> - 5:30 We will wrap up the season at the Fellowship Hall with an indoor picnic! Everyone bring your favorite summertime dish to share and a copy of the recipe. (Perhaps our Miss Kate would be able to whip up some smoothies or iced teas for us to try. I need to check with her.) Table service will be provided, just bring something yummy to share! It's been a fun winter/spring getting active and becoming more informed!</p> <p>Thanks to all for your part in our adventure! God bless you and yours!</p>	<p><i>Thank you everyone for attending the graduation party for Kenda Sydney, Caitlyn McIntire and Taylor Carter. It was so nice of you to think of these young ladies at this exciting time in their life!  -Their families</i></p>	
<p>Do you have a topic you would like discussed as part of Pastor Michael's sermon series? If so, you can call the office or email him at michael@fccpittsfield.org and we potentially will include it in the sermon discussion.</p>		
<p>Rosemary Clark is turning 90! Sons Bob and Rich are inviting you to a celebration party on Saturday, <b>June 24th</b> from 1:30 until 4:00 at Crossroads Center. No gifts please, just your presence.</p>		
<p>The church office will be closed on Fridays this summer due to summertime usually lending itself to a lighter workload for the church staff.</p>		

### Elder Corner

There is a message among teenagers and young adults today that states, "Five seconds of awkwardness can prevent days, months, or perhaps of years of pain and regret." Being placed in an awkward position usually requires us to make some type of response. We can agree, disagree, back away, be bold, do nothing, make a statement, join the crowd, or be a loner. The choices go on.

Most of us have experienced that making the wrong decision can bring regrets. The Bible records many accounts of awkward situations:

1. Noah must have been placed in an awkward position because no one had heard of rain or floods in his time. Genesis Chapter 6
2. Sarai giving Abram the OK to sleep with her maidservant – awkward! Genesis Chapter 16
3. Joseph telling his brothers that they would bow down to him – awkward! Genesis Chapter 37
4. Moses questioning God about his role as being God's spokesman – awkward! Exodus Chapter 3
5. Nathan confronting David concerning his sin of having Uriah killed - awkward! 2 Samuel Chapter 12
6. Jonah deciding that Tarshish would be a better location to go rather than Ninevah –awkward! Jonah Chapter 1
7. The rich, young man who asked what he must do to inherit eternal life – awkward! Matthew Chapter 19
8. Peter's denial of Christ – awkward! Matthew Chapter 26
9. Zacchaeus' position as a tax collector yet the overwhelming need to see Jesus – awkward! Luke Chapter 19
10. The two believers on the road to Emmaus were told how foolish they were because they failed to understand that Christ's suffering was His path to glory – awkward! Luke Chapter 24

Reading and studying scripture can equip us to make better choices in life and help us through the awkward moments. We can have an answer when the questions are asked:

1. What does Jesus mean to me?
2. What's so great about the Gospel?
3. What's important about baptism?
4. Do you believe in a Heaven and a Hell?
5. What happens when a person dies?

Don't let those five seconds of awkwardness hold you back when the opportunity occurs for you to share your faith. Instead of regret you can have peace knowing you have planted the seed of the Gospel.

"For I am not ashamed of the Gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes." – Romans 1:16

In Christian love,

Wayne Chamberlain  
Elder

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**Office Hours:** 9:00am–4:00pm M-TH, 9:00am–12:00pm F  
**Summer Worship Times:** Every Sunday 8:00am, 10:30am  
**Sunday School:** 9:15am

<b>Stewardship (Offering Only)</b>	<b>5/28</b>	<b>6/4</b>
Operational	\$6,525.00	\$7,042.00
Property Improvement	3.00	28.00
Outreach-Missionaries	70.00	470.00
DHF	80.00	80.00
Outreach-General	82.00	35.00
Children First	0.00	200.00
Youth Mission Trip	137.32	0.00
Church Constr/Reno	25.00	0.00
Unmet Needs	<u>105.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,027.32</b>	<b>\$7,855.00</b>

**Operating Receipts (Offering, Rentals, etc.)**  
 Received Last 7 Days \$6,304.30 \$9,387.00  
 Estimate Needed Each Week to Meet Budget \$9,004

The next newsletter will be printed the week of **June 19**.

**Wishes & Wants**

\*Jenny Tate is looking for someone to clean their country house. 217.248.1238.  
 \*For Sale: Two butcher hogs going to Kabricks on July 26. Richard & Rebecca 217.653.9089

**Lectionary**

6/11: Gen 1:1-2:4a; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Matt 28:16-20  
 6/12: Psalm 29; Job 38:39-39:12; 1 Cor 12:1-3  
 6/13: Psalm 29; Job 39:13-25; 1 Cor 12:4-13  
 6/14: Psalm 29; Job 39:26-40:5; John 14:25-26  
 6/15: Psalm 100; Exodus 4:18-23; Heb 3:1-6; Gen 21:1-7; Heb 3:1-6  
 6/16: Psalm 100; Exodus 4:27-31; Acts 7:35-43; Gen 24:1-9; Acts 7:35-43  
 6/17: Psalm 100; Exodus 6:28-7:13; Mark 7:1-13; Gen 24:10-52; Mark 7:1-13  
 6/18: Gen 18:1-15; Exodus 19:2-8a; Rom 5:1-8; Matt 9:35-10:8  
 6/19: Psalm 105:1-11, 37-45; Josh 1:1-11; 1 Thess 3:1-5; Gen 23:1-19; 1 Thess 3:1-5  
 6/20: Psalm 105:1-11, 37-45; 1 Sam 3:1-9; 2 Thess 2:13-3:5; Gen 25:7-11; 2 Thess 2:13-3:5  
 6/21: Psalm 105:1-11, 37-45; Prov 4:10-27; Luke 6:12-19; Neh 9:1-8; Luke 6:12-19  
 6/22: Psalm 69:7-10, 16-18; Jer 18:12-17; Heb 2:5-9; Exod 12:43-49; Heb 2:5-9  
 6/23: Psalm 69:7-10, 16-18; Jer 18:18-23; Acts 5:17-26; Gen 35:1-4; Acts 5:17-26  
 6/24: Ps 69:7-10, 16-18; Jer 20:1-6; Luke 11:53-12:3; Ezek 29:3-7; Luke 11:53-12:3

**Serving Schedule**

**June 11, 2017**

**Elder:** Jeremy Schoenherr, David Bishop  
**Diaconate:** Debbie Robinson, Tom Robinson, Sonya Bishop, Christie Mendenhall, Gary Mendenhall, Noah Mendenhall  
**8:00 Communion:** Dan & Sue Speckhart  
**10:30 Communion:** Mike & Julie Boren  
**10:30 Scripture:** Eli Mendenhall  
**10:30 Nursery:** Shelby Bauer  
**10:30 Sound System:** Chaz Waterman  
**Shut-ins:** N.D. & Joyce Harrison, Hamer & Jenny Tate  
**Fellowship Treats:** Libby Boren, Deloras Martin, Cathy Lacey, Cindi Schoenherr, Linda Belford

**June 18, 2017**

**Elder:** Larry Wigington, Helen Earls  
**Diaconate:** Ron Halsey, Burdette Irwin, Zack Boren, Chad Ferguson, Bill Grimsley, Kathy Lehr  
**8:00 Communion:** Hamer & Jenny Tate  
**10:30 Communion:** Zack & Libby Boren  
**10:30 Scripture:** Donnie Apps  
**10:30 Nursery:** Kadence Haskins  
**10:30 Sound System:** Lauren Saxe  
**Shut-ins:** Helen Earls, Larry & Sandy Wigington

	<b>5/28</b>	<b>6/4</b>
<b>Worship Attendance</b>		
8:00 AM	88	
9:15 AM	78	
10:30 AM	<u>93</u>	<u>210</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>210</b>
<b>Christian Education</b>		
Age 3-PK	7	1
K-1st	4	2
2nd-3rd	6	5
4th-5th	12	0
6th-8th	0	0
Sr High	0	0
Disciples	11	12
New Beginnings	7	0
Select to Connect	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>27</b>