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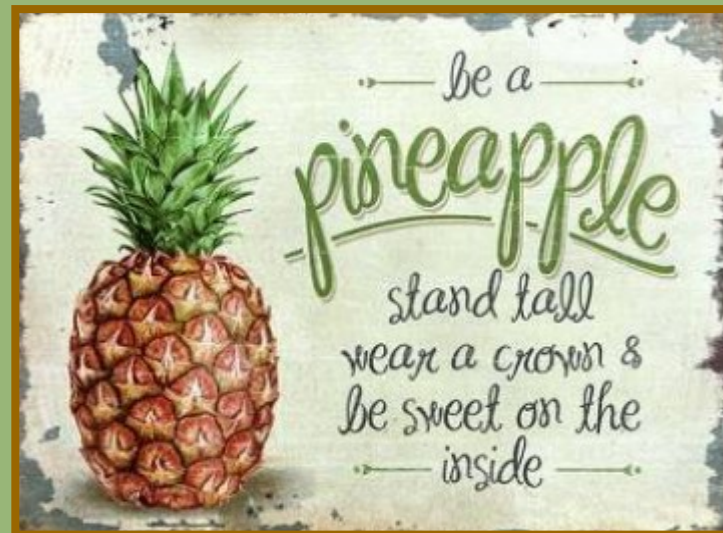
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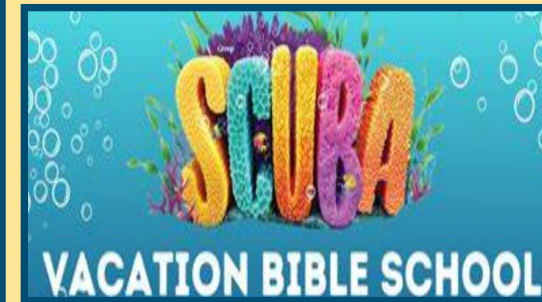
August

THE VISITOR

2025



The unique shape and nature of a pineapple with its tall crown-shaped leaves, solid yet prickly outer peel, and the sweet taste of its interior, has inspired the Pineapple Principle Way of Faith: *Stand firm, own your crown, and love like Jesus.*



Pfafftown Christian Church

August 2, 2025

9:30 AM – 1:30 PM

(Pre-K through 5th Grade)

Join us as we dive into an amazing undersea adventure and experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God!

We will discover what "living water" is really all about!

We will have Deep Sea Bible Adventures, Scuba crafts, Imagination Experiments and Ocean Reef Recreation and games, lunch, and more.

You may still register your child by calling Rev. Tim Shoaf at 336-692-5214 or by calling the church office at 336-924-9925.



Join us on **Sunday, August 10th** as we welcome the staff at Old Richmond Elementary School! We will be dedicating the school supplies we have collected. May God bless the students and staff of ORES to have a wonderful and safe school year!

Taste and see that the Lord is Good
Psalm 34:8

There will be **NO Taste and See Bible Study Luncheon** during the month of August; however, we will resume on

September 10th with Dr. Tejado Hanchell leading us in our studies. Mark your calendar now to join us at 11:30 AM on September 10th!

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday, August 3 - Rev. Linda Browne
Sunday, August 10 - Rev. Rodney Stilwell
Sunday, August 17 - Rev. Jeff Carter
Sunday, August 24 - Rev. Linda Browne
Sunday, August 31 - Rev. Tejado Hanchell

August Worship Leaders

Elders: Betty Simpson, Leader
Lynda Bryant- Back-up

Communion: Tim & Beverly Brown

Greeters: Tim & Beverly Brown

Men's Breakfast Fellowship



Tuesday, Aug. 19, 9:00 AM
Mama Zoe's Restaurant



CWF NEWS

Thanks to Cheryl for picking up corn and to the folks who came out and helped prepare the corn for freezing.

We will meet at 1:00 pm Tuesday August 19th to tidy up the kitchens and inventory supplies for our Fall Workshops.

Save the dates: **Chicken Pie Workshop**--Sept. 11 - Sept. 13
Dinner at Betty Kiger's office to benefit Meals on Wheels--September 16 @ 6:00 pm

Crisis Control Gift for the month of **August** is:

Applesauce cups or pouches
Thank you for your continued support for this local ministry.



A Word of Gratitude

Words cannot express the deep appreciation felt by each member of the Chancel Choir and Tim, for the surprise celebration we experienced on Sunday morning, June 15. During the worship service, we each received a lovely green plant. Rev. Stilwell had many kind words and acclamations that warmed each of our hearts. We also appreciate the lovely reception held in our honor following the service. We are very grateful for the wonderful luncheon the entire choir enjoyed at the River Birch Lodge on Sunday, July 13. We appreciate so much the love and support of our congregation for the Music Ministry of our church.

- The Chancel Choir and Tim

Pfafftown Christian Church 2025-2026 Church Officers & Board

Chairman of the Board: Dinah Myers
Board Vice-Chairman: Cheryl Johnson
Elder Representative: Ruth Saalweachter

Secretary: Sue Conrad
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Dinah Myers
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At Large Members:
Pam Backi, Tim Brown, Jack Bryant, Lynda Bryant, Debbie Fletcher, Judy Gillespie, Betty Simpson

Elders: Pam Backi, Lynda Bryant, Steve Clodfelter, Judy Gillespie, Ruth Saalweachter, Betty Simpson

Deacons: Beverly Brown, Tim Brown, Jack Bryant, Alan Fletcher, Ann Fletcher, Debbie Fletcher, Gerald Fletcher, Jason Hawkins, Gene Saalweachter, Paul Shropshire



2 Timothy 1:3-4
I thank God whom I serve . . . when I remember you constantly in my prayers . . . I long night and day to see you, that I may be filled with joy.

Paul wrote these words to his dear fellow missionary and friend Timothy many years ago. Although brief, we see so much in the few words.

First, Paul was always thankful. Regardless of the circumstances, no matter his condition, in spite of the situation, the Apostle was grateful for God's purpose, protection and power.

Second, Paul was a man of prayer. He prayed for guidance, strength, asking God to bless others he loved.

Third, he longed to serve with those he loved. He missed his brothers and sisters in Christ. Serving with them brought Paul joy and fulfillment.

I feel Paul's words as we end the summer. By now you may have heard that I will be gone from serving with you for a while as I have some surgery. I am grateful to be a part of God's Family at PCC. I am thankful for your prayers as I recover. While I will be absent from the pulpit, I will continue to pray for each of you during this time. And I will be filled with joy to see you again very soon.

Thanks be to God!

Rodney

Notes from Tim

My first recollection of the wonderful old hymn "*My Hope is Built*" comes when I was about three or four years old, being in church on a Sunday morning in Fairview Methodist Church, hearing the congregation singing the words to the chorus: *On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is 'sinking sand', all other ground is sinking sand*" and I remember thinking to myself, why would we be singing about "*sinking sand*" in church! Later that afternoon, I found myself humming the chorus and remember asking my Dad about the 'sinking sand' and he helped me understand in children's terms the great message of what it means to stand on the solid Rock! In verse three of this great hymn we sing:

*His oath, His covenant, his blood, support me in the
whelming flood; When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay. On Christ the solid
rock I stand, All other ground is sinking sand.*

Today, as I reflect on these words there are times when everything around us erodes except for the rock upon which we stand. You step out in one direction and the sand gives way, so you step back to the rock. You step out in another direction and the ground gives way again, so you step back to the rock. Everywhere you try the same thing happens.

You begin to wonder if the *sinking sand* might encroach on your rock. All around you is giving way, so is the rock going to go too? This kind of thing has to happen to our faith once in a while in order for us to trust the rock. This is when you pray, "Lord, you had better be real, because you are all I have right now. If you wash away too, I am gone for sure."

It is in times like these that we find the Rock to be solid. This is when you learn to trust not in feelings, but in facts. This is when you go to God's promises in Scripture and stand firm on them – opening up the Bible and let the words be a place you can stand. This is when you remember that Jesus Christ has made a covenant with you, a new covenant in His blood. You are His and He is yours. He will bring you through – His word is His oath, and He will not turn back on his promises. He is the solid ground on which you stand. As my Dad explained to me years ago --Everything else is *sinking sand*. God be with you. --**Tim**