

Pinellas Park Church of Christ



“For Ezra had set his heart to study the Law of the Lord, and to do it and to teach his statutes and rules in Israel.”

Ezra 7:10

About a year ago I got a new work computer. In order to protect it I bought a new bag in which to store it; a hard shell to put on the computer itself and a “skin” for the keyboard that matches the color of the shell. Hey, why not coordinate? Since I have been using the computer something interesting has happened.

Slowly, but surely the color on the skin over the keyboard has changed in color due to the presence of the natural oil on my hands, which is why I purchased the skin to begin with. Some of the keys have turned a darker shade of blue. Yet, not all of the keys have changed color.

If the color changing is any indication of the keys that I use most the apparently I use the W, A, S, D, L, N, C, Shift and Space more than any others. I have literally left a trail of wear across the skin of the keyboard that one can follow in some odd way, though I am not sure how you might interpret it or that anyone would care.

It did, however remind me of an old proverb about prayer. I am not sure where I heard it, but the story is told of some Christians converted in Africa years ago. They established early on the practice of picking a secluded spot in the bush where they would spend a good portion of each day in prayer. Over time each person’s secluded spot developed a trail and one was able to tell how consistent a person was in prayer by the condition of their trail. It was not uncommon, the story goes, for a brother to approach another and say, “I worry for you brother. Your trail grows over with weeds.”

Whether we are typing or praying or Bible reading or doing something absolutely contrary to God’s will, we leave trails. Some of those trails need abandonment, but others should never be neglected. Weeds should never grow over our trail of prayer, Bible reading, meditation and study. Are they? Well, look at your Bible. Do the pages show the wear of the trail you have

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6045 Park Blvd. Pinellas Park, FL 33781

Sunday: AM Bible study 10:00, Worship 11AM, 6 PM

Wednesday: Bible Study 7PM



Prayer Requests

Bob Martin, passed away yesterday in Hospice care. Our brother has gone home. Keep the family in your prayers as they mourn this loss and make their way home.

Angelina Grimmer, will have testing done on February 2nd

Bob Wayandt, will be having a heart catheterization

Ana Grace Poteet, has been discharged from St. Anthony's to recover at home

Roy, father of Pam G., is in very poor health and needs prayer

Rochelle Peterman, Jeanne Peterman's daughter-in-law cancer treatment / MS

Sandy Christman, continues to recover from her surgery.

Vivian Brush for her friend Claudia Stewart, stage four pancreatic cancer.

Gerald Roberts, Polly's brother, was diagnosed with Chronic Leukemia.

John and Evelyn Bohn, would love to have visitors.

Jim, friend of the Sabiels, pray for healing and acceptance of Christ.

Pam Kosyak, friend of Carol B., undergoing testing for cancer.

Carol Axe, had surgery on her foot and is in a great deal of pain.

Bob Noland, friend of the Rossy & Benesh families, diagnosed with pancreatic cancer

Melissa Niven, continues treatment for cancer. Keep her in your prayers.

Evelyn's daughter Allison has Lou Gehrig's Disease

Diane Haff, a friend of the Phillip Martin family, is in rehab. following a stroke.

Josh Benesh, will have oral surgery to remove a growth

Order of Worship – How To Be Miserable

103 He Has Made Me Glad
615 He Keeps Me Singing
Opening prayer and offering
375 Oh, The Depths and the Riches
The Lord's Supper
480 Blessed Assurance
Sermon – Edward Benesh
166 He's My King
589 Leaning on the Everlasting Arms
Closing prayer
Song Leader – Tom King



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blazed across them in diligent pursuit of truth? Do you even have a place to go to when you foster your personal prayer life? In this day, consider the frequently used trails of your life; where you spend your time; on what you spend your money; and so on. Create new trails today that lead to God.

Announcements

- **Life, Joy and the Pursuit of God** – This week’s discussion is about creation. Youtube link - www.youtube.com/watch?v=aq3g110_WMM
- **Stepping Up!** Classes have begun and it has been a great start. We had 14 men show the first night. Our next meeting will be Thursday, February 26th in the youth room at church. If you did not get a book, Ed has them on order and they should be available this Wednesday. Men are encouraged to make room in their schedule now and do their best to invite someone they may know who could benefit from these classes. Thanks to all the men who came our last month.
- On February 8th we will hold our annual **Sweetheart Banquet** after AM Services. This is a catered event and we need to know in advance that you plan on attending. See Tim and Beth to make your payment and let them know you are coming. Cost is \$6 for adults and \$4 for kids 10 and under. Immediately following we will have a “Take and Make.” Everyone is invited to take part in making cards for the residents of Arlington Gardens. We will deliver them along with some goodies and visit for a while.
- We are collecting adult men’s and women’s clothing for **Pinellas Hope**. Please bring all donated clothing items in bags to the building and place them in the foyer. We are also looking for blankets.
- **Sarah Folks** will be celebrating a birthday this week. Let us shower her with cards and love. Her address is **158 East Main St., Box 848, Henderson, TN 38340**.

Calendar

February

- 3 – Ladies Night – Communion Preparation 6PM
- 8 – Sweetheart Banquet after AM Services
- 8 – We will make cards for the residents of Arlington Garden and visit
- 15 – Lunch Bunch to meet after services
- 15 – Leadership Meeting at 5PM
- 17 – Men’s Ministry Meeting at 7PM
- 28 – Congregational Fish Fry at Freedom Lake Park at Noon

March

- 13-14 – Ladies Day at WWCC
- 15 – Lunch Bunch
- 15 – Leadership meeting
- 18 – Men’s Ministry Meeting

Our Leaders

Elders – Phillip Martin, Tim Martin, Dennis Folks

Deacons – Glenn Duncan, Keith Sabiel, Todd Walden

Minister – Edward Benesh

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by emailing him – Watch our live feed on Ustream

Vital Statistics

Contribution **\$1798** Budget **\$2500**

Bible Class - **50** Worship - **82** PM - **23** Wed. PM Service - **23**

Little Did You know...

In a 2014 survey of nearly a quarter million people, it was determined that the happiest places on earth were Panama and Costa Rica. The United States, did not break the top ten. Oddly, these two countries were ranked very low when it came to financial well-being, reminding us that money doesn't make men happy.

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