

The banner features a grayscale image of a city skyline with several skyscrapers under construction, heavily encased in scaffolding. The text 'INFRASTRUCTURE' is written in a bold, orange, sans-serif font at the top center. Below it, 'SERMON SERIES' is written in a smaller, gray, sans-serif font. On the right side, there is a small orange circle containing a white right-pointing arrow. A solid orange vertical bar is on the far right edge.

INFRASTRUCTURE

SERMON SERIES



WE ARE A CHOSEN GENERATION.

This week's message does something quite unique.

Often, we read Scripture to be reminded of who we are—and then we look in the mirror and ask whether who we are is actually shaping how we live. Last week was that kind of message.

But the text this week does something different. After God shows us who we are, He shows us exactly what that identity looks like in everyday life. He shows how it shapes our relationship with Him, with our church family, with those in authority over us, and with everyone around us.

And He does all of this with one short sentence.

I love that. God doesn't waste words.

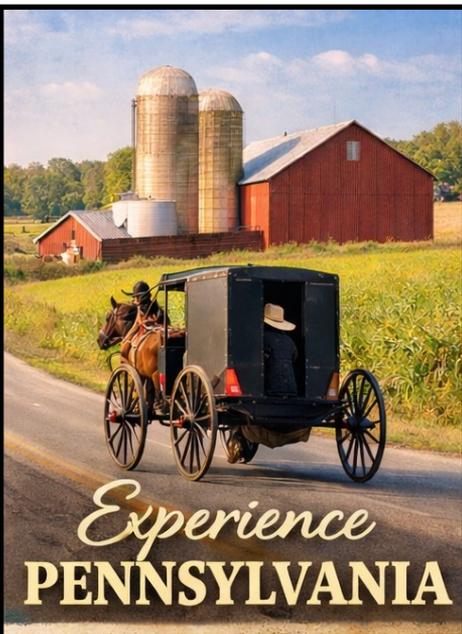
I'm already praying for you—for us—because God wants to do great things in and through His people. That's what Peter's letter is all about.

I also want to encourage you to attend prayer tonight. I'll spend a little time walking through some deeper-dive questions from this text. We'll meet in the **Chapel tonight instead of the Fellowship Hall.**

Pastor Mark

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February 1, 2026



Experience PENNSYLVANIA

**Adult Fellowship Bus Trip
Lancaster County, PA
March 23–28 | 6 Days / 5 Nights**

Join us for a wonderful Adult Fellowship Bus Trip to **Lancaster County, Pennsylvania!**

We'll experience the all-new **Sight & Sound Theatres** production of *Joshua*, tour **Hershey World**, shop unique local markets, and enjoy some classic Pennsylvania Dutch smorgasbords.

Registration Deadline: February 1
*(or when capacity is reached—
whichever comes first)*

Deposit: \$500 per person
Please submit your deposit to the church office to reserve your spot.

Questions? Contact **Kim Bedwell**.



NEED TO CONTACT OUR STAFF?

Meet our staff members who strive to serve you, the people we love and serve.

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL

5-6 pm in Fellowship Hall

THIS WEEK'S MENU:

BAKED POTATO BAR
AND DESSERT



\$5 per adult, \$3 per child, or \$15 for family (2 adults + kids)

***sign up in worship center foyer or chapel*

TONIGHT - CHOIR REHEARSAL - 4:30 pm - NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!
CHURCH-WIDE PRAYER - 6 pm CHAPEL TONIGHT ONLY.

MEN'S PRAYER

Tuesdays, 10 am in the Conference Room

EMBRACE WIDOW MINISTRY BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays, 10 am in Room 101

WED. MIDWEEK ADULT BIBLE STUDIES, KIDS & YOUTH

5-6 pm Family Style Supper; 6:30-8 pm, Bible Studies, Kids & Youth

WOW MINISTRY FOR YOUNG MOMS AND THEIR CHILDREN

Fridays, 9:15 am - 11 am in the Fellowship Hall

AWANA PIT PARTY

Saturday, February 7th, 9-11 am

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP CLASS

Sunday, February 8th, 9 am - 11 am - Room 108

Sign up in the Foyer/Chapel

EMBRACE WIDOW MINISTRY TO SWEET MAGNOLIA TEA ROOM

Friday, February 13th - Sign up in the Foyer

QUARTERLY MISSION MEETING - EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Sunday, February 15th, 4 pm

AWANA GRAND PRIX

Saturday, February 21st, 9:30 am

ANNIE ARMSTRONG WEEK OF PRAYER-NO. AMERICAN MISSIONARIES

Sunday, March 1st—Sunday, 8th

UPCOMING EVENTS

ARDELLA BAPTIST
CHURCH

FAMILY
MEMBERSHIP
CLASS

Sunday, February 8th
9 am - 11 am
Room 108

Attending our church and
wondering about membership?

There is **no** obligation or expectation to join.

COME AND LEARN

Who we are and what do we believe?

Where is God leading us?

What does God want us to do as His body?

What does God want us to be doing in the

Sign up in the Foyer or the Chapel.

Or call or email the church office;

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YOU'RE INVITED!

PIT PARTY... FEB. 7

KID'S MINISTRY @9-11AM

GRAND PRIX... FEB. 21

CHECK IN @8:30

RACING @9



Financial Stewardship/ Previous Week

Tithes	15,788.86
Missions	788.86
Total	15,995.01

Infrastructure: Chosen Generation

February 1, 2026 **1 Peter 2:9,17**

SERMON NOTES

You are a **chosen generation**. (2:9)

A **chosen generation**:

honors all people without compromise. (2:17)

loves their church without isolation. (2:17)

fears God without the fear of man. (2:17)

honors authority without surrendering truth. (2:17)

Reflection

According to **1 Peter 2:9**, what is **the purpose** of being chosen?

How does **knowing who you are** affect how you respond to pressure, criticism, or injustice?

Deuteronomy 7:6–8

Ephesians 1:4–5

Titus 2:14

According to **1 Peter 2:15**, what role do **good works** play in a hostile or skeptical culture?

Jeremiah 29:7

Matthew 5:16

Romans 13:1–7

How does **1 Peter 2:16** redefine **freedom**?

How do verses **1 Peter 2:13–16** challenge the idea that **faith is only private**?

How does **1 Peter 2:17** protect believers from both **isolation** and **compromise**?