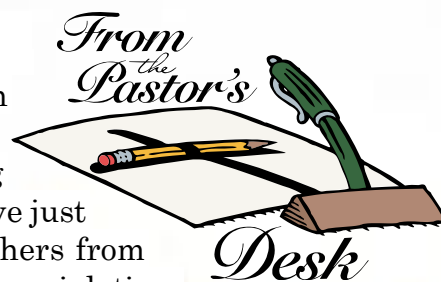


The Spire

 SEPTEMBER 2022

Hello!!! Park Place Family and Friends,

Is it possible? Can we be preparing for another new church year? Here we are in September and plans for an exciting new year of ministry has begun. We will begin our celebration at Homecoming Sunday, September 11th, for worship and a time of fellowship. We have just ended our joint summer worship services with our sisters and brothers from Smithfield Ave Congregational church, and as always, it was a special time together as we shared worship together.



Pastor David Goodfellow, our brother in Christ and Pastor of Smithfield Ave. UCC, (SAUCC) retired as of the end of August and it has been an honor and a blessing to share our times together. We wish Pastor David a beautiful life filled with joy.

For our sisters and brothers at SAUCC, we pray for the guidance of God as they explore a new way of being as they discern God's plan for them. May they be blessed with love, joy, and purpose in serving God. Prayers & love to you all.

As we, at Park Place journey forward we have been exploring how we can minister to all of our family and friends in today's world and are working towards exciting programs for our young as well. We are praying that our plans will help us all to grow in love and service. Our plans are to begin our new youth ministry in early November and we are excited about that.

We will be continuing our on-line presence and are grateful for all of our church family and friends that work to keep all of our ministries moving towards God's plan for us here at Park Place. Thank you all for supporting and sharing your time and talents in all of our ministries. Hope to see you in church!

With Blessings in Christ's service,

Pastor Wayne

Reflect
ON YOUR *Blessings*

Worship Schedule

Please join us for In-Person Worship Service Sundays @ 10 a.m.!! All are welcome!

September 4: Holy Communion Worship Service 10 a.m. Join us for Holy Communion Worship! Join Pastor Wayne, our Chancel Choir with Paul Mancini on keyboard. Communion set up people are: Leslie Brouwer & Darlene McMillan. Leslie will be welcoming at the sanctuary door. Come for you are welcome here!

Visit Holiday Retirement Home – with Bill & Darlene McMillan 2 p.m.

September 11: Worship Service 10 a.m. *Homecoming Service & Fellowship* Join us for a special Welcome Home Worship with Pastor Wayne, our Chancel Choir with Jane Bedia on keyboard.

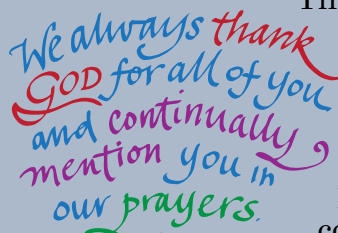
September 18: Worship Service 10 a.m. Come for you are all welcome to worship with Pastor Wayne, our Chancel Choir with Jane Bedia on keyboard.

Mission: Prayer Shawl Ministry – 2-3:30 at Slater Park!

September 25: Worship Service 10 a.m. Come for you are all welcome to Worship with Pastor Wayne, our Chancel Choir with Jane Bedia on keyboard.

CHURCH NEWS!

Please Note: Moving forward, our Fellowship Hour will be held on special occasions. We will be announcing when those dates will be. We look forward to these special times with excitement.


Thank you to our brothers & sisters of Smithfield Ave Congregational Church UCC for sharing worship with us for the summer! Thank you to Rev. David Goodfellow, Pastor Wayne Patenaude, our combined choir, Jane Bedia on keyboard and Paul Mancini on piano. Thank you to Cindy Boulay, Andrea Padula who printed for Park Place and Vic Profughi who printed the bulletins while we were at Smithfield Ave. Thank you to our collectors from both churches who collected our offertory during the summer.

1 Thessalonians 1:2, NIV

Welcome Home Sunday Worship is September 11, 2022 at 10 a.m. Please join us as we come together with our church family after some summer fun! A special Coffee hour will be available following worship! All are welcome!

WELCOME
HOME

PASTA SUPPER



When: September 24th, 2022 from 6PM – 8PM
Where: Park Place Congregational Church
Price: \$10 for adults \$5 children 5-10 - free for children under 5

Menu: ALL YOU CAN EAT

Pasta, meatballs, salad, bread and dessert!
Please call the church at (401)726-2800 or email us at office@ppucc.necoxmail.com
Reservations now being accepted!



You'll also be able to continue to join us as we continue to use Social Media to worship and praise God! We continue to offer on Tuesdays, A Moment with Pastor Wayne, Thursdays, Words & Music with Pastor Wayne & Jane Bedia on keyboard, Saturdays "Love Stories of Our Faith," as with D & Andy and Andrea & Sophia Padula on rotating weeks. On Sundays Worship which can be viewed "Live" at 10 a.m. on Facebook (we would love to see in you person). You may also view worship later in the day or anytime on Facebook &

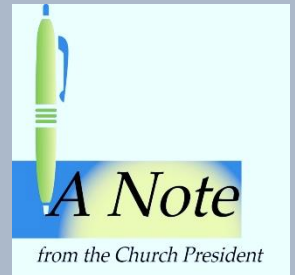
YouTube (Park Place Church).

Dear Park Place Family and Friends

The calendar says summer is over on September 21. I'm not ready to think about fall, so I'll go with Indian Summer. September is when we return to the beautiful Park Place sanctuary. Our official Homecoming is Sunday, September 11th and I look forward to seeing everyone then. Don't forget our Pasta Dinner is Saturday, September 24th. For those of you old enough to remember The Happenings, I'll share an ear worm... "See You In September "...

Blessings,

Shirley Harris



Happy Birthday!!

Wishing you all a Happy September Birthdays! Please consider sending a card, making a phone call or reaching out in some way to one of our birthday people!

4: Timothy Shaw
20: Ron Barber

6: Dawn Shaw
29: Hannah Gervais

14: Jocelyn Neves
29: Tina Champeau



Park Place Congregational UCC Missions
Please remember All are welcome to join any activity or
just drop in to see what is going on!

Stop by the Thrift Shop! Thrift Shop hours are Wednesdays & Saturdays 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please do not leave your donations in front of the store, please bring in while we are open. Thank you for your attention.



Prayer Shawl Ministry



Our Prayer Shawl Ministry is ongoing, please continue to knit and crochet at home. Shawls can be either knitted or crocheted and should measure 25-30 inches wide and 70 inches in length. Thank you in advance for supporting our Prayer Shawl Ministry. If you are helping us, please let us know via phone or email: 401-726-2800 or office@ppucc.necoxmail.com.

The Prayer Shawl meeting will be gathering at Slater Park from 2-3:30 p.m. on September 18th. Please bring your shawls that you are working on and your facemask. We will adhere to all CDC guidelines regarding mask wearing and social distancing.

Our Missions Projects over the past 8 months!

The following are the Missions that Park Place Church has completed with Your help and by the Grace of God! We are people of God! Thank you for all you do!
In May we collected \$94.17 for One Egg Haiti!

HEIFER INTERNATIONAL MISSION

The Deacon's would like to thank everyone for their generous donations to our Heifer Mission. Not all names are formally listed, only those who specified a memorial and honorary gift are listed. We have sent:

- 4 Flocks of Chicks
- 2 Food Baskets (produce, honey and dairy)
- 7 Beehives
- 3 Seeds (fruit tree seedlings and produce seeds)
- 2 Goat

Memory of & In Honor of loved ones:

- *Seeds and Seedlings in Memory of Gloria & Gene Sasnett by Wendy Brunelle
- *A Food Basket and a Beehive in Memory of Kristen Lee Cote by Anna Cote
- *Seeds/Seedlings in Memory of her four Grandparents by Kristine Gervais
- *A Flock of Chicks and a Beehive in Memory of Kimberly Harris by Shirley Harris

- *A Flock of chicks donated in memory of Rev. Gary Bouchard by Bill, D & Andy.
- *A Beehive in Memory of Anna Anderson by Ginny Platt
- *A flock of chicks & a goat in honor of my great grandson, Camden John Cole's and great - granddaughter Kennedy Louise Cole by Cathy Shute.

Back to School Mission – July 2022!

Thank you to all the members of Park Place Church and Smithfield Avenue Church for their generous donations of school supplies that were collect throughout the summer months. On August 13th, Cindy, Darlene, Ginny and Kristine met at the church to take an inventory of the supplies and put them in boxes for easy delivery. On Tuesday, August 16th, Ginny and Kristine delivered the supplies to Amy at the Boys and Girls Club. She was very appreciative of all that we donated all that we've done to help them in the past. Ginny asked Amy to keep us in mind for this year's Giving Tree Project if they were going to hold that this year. We will wait to hear from here with more details to follow. Here is a list of what was donated. We cannot thank you enough!!



Ginny Platt, Kristine Gervais & Amy
from the Boys & Girls Club


It is always amazing to see the outpouring of love and support for our missions.

8 Backpacks	14 pkgs of Pencils	2 Lunch Boxes
11 pkgs of Pens	2 Water Bottles	8 boxes of Markers
6 Binders	6 pkgs of loose-leaf paper	10 boxes of Crayons
23 Notebooks	4 pkgs of Rulers	2 pkgs of Erasers
6 Bottles of Glue	2 pkgs of Sharpeners	
9 pkgs of Glue Sticks	8 boxes of Colored Pencils	
36 Pencil Cases with a pencil, ruler, eraser & sharpener inside		

?? ? Bible Quiz ? ?

Besides being known for his proverbs about wise living, King Solomon was knowledgeable in other fields, including which of the following?

- A. zoology, including ornithology and ichthyology
- B. botany
- C. herpetology
- D. songwriting
- E. A and C
- F. B and D
- G. All of the above



Answer: G (See 1 Kings 4:29-34.)

Life's Simple Truths

"An elderly woman had two large pots, each hung on the ends of a pole which she carried across her neck. One of the pots had a crack in it while the other pot was perfect and always delivered a full portion of water.

At the end of the long walks from the stream to the house, the cracked pot arrived only half full. For a full two years this went on daily, with the woman bringing home only one and a half pots of water.

Of course, the perfect pot was proud of its accomplishments. But the poor cracked pot was ashamed of its own imperfection, and miserable that it could only do half of what it had been made to do.

After two years of what it perceived to be bitter failure, it spoke to the woman one day by the stream. 'I am ashamed of myself because this crack in my side causes water to leak out all the way back to your house.'

The old woman smiled, 'Did you notice that there are flowers on your side of the path, but not on the other pot's side?'

'That's because I have always known about your flaw, so I planted flower seeds on your side of the path, and every day while we walk back, you water them.'

For two years I have been able to pick these beautiful flowers to decorate the table.

Without you being just the way you are, there would not be this beauty to grace the house.'

Each of us have our own unique 'flaws'. But it's the cracks and flaws we each have that make our lives together interesting and rewarding.

You've just got to take each person for what they are and look for the good in them."

Prayers & Concerns for Our Family

Please keep these people in your daily prayers: Linda – Peter Foss's friend; Shirley dealing with back issues; Dave; David Grenier; Barbara H; Cathy G; Zachery; Ethel M; Rachel; Carol; Mike & Sharon; George Grenier; Ginny; Judy; Cathy Schora and her family; Vicki & Brian; Janice Jones; Lillian as she struggles with health and personal issues, her daughter Alice- cancer; Louisa; Sister Mary Pendergast; Denise Gehrke; Eileen – stage 4 cancer; Denise Ouellette, battling stage four ovarian cancer; Sharon Parker, fighting cancer; Alan; Lisa; Greg; Baby Penny; Valimont family – the father has ALS; a young college student dealing with mental health issues; Steve; Curtis; Micah; Ken Depot; Beverly Fountaine; Janet Theberge; Shelagh Lees; Jocelyn; Laurie; Eva; Janet Estes; Steven; Elaine; Bob, Carol; John; Karen B; Richard Deblois, Kathy Morrisette; Anna; Brenda; Linda C.; Charlie; Betsy; Paul; Josh Barber; Paul; Melanie; Gabriella; Karen; Beth Fournier; Kenny; Virginia; Steve; Alice; Deb C; Emily; Debbie Coury; Ann-Marie; Terry; Irene Marteno-cancer; Phyllis; Joyce – (cancer); Lauren & Heather; Frank; Joanne; Katherine; Irene; Bev; Jim; Grace; Tom; Gregg; Peter; Eric Green; Cathleen; Claudia Berube; Trevor Bynoe; Bob; Sherry; Terry; All people fighting cancer.



Please continue prayers for

...victims of our recent natural disasters.

... Our Ukraine brothers & sisters along with our world leaders.

... Those who are recovering from Corona-virus, those who are working in hospitals, First Responders and all who are working with the public.


...For peace in our nation, pray for our elected officials. We pray for unity as we show respect for each other, and adherence to the rule of law.

... For our country as we navigate our world of change, understanding, forgiveness, friendship and love.

... for the victims and families of domestic abuse, may the Lord give them strength to ask and receive help. Comfort them during their turmoil.
 ... our service men and women, and veterans both old and young who have served our country with honor and pride.

Continued prayers for our homebound family members and friends: Sylvia Kaufmann; friends at the Holiday Retirement Home and The Village at Waterman Lake.

A Little Fun for Our Young!



PUZZLE

A full Quiver

Our heavenly Father loves families and has a special purpose for each generation.

Directions: Use the key to match the number of each arrow with the correct letter.

R	E	C	R	O	H	N	S	L	I	A	W	D	R
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Like _____
 56 21 71 28 60 42

in the hands of a warrior are

14 33 52 47 65 2 9 39

born in one's youth. Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them.

PSALM 127:4-5, NIV

Answers: arrows, children

Puzzle!

Look up each verse in an NIV Bible and find a word that fits in that row. Then write the word from the bold vertical column in the blank below to complete Proverbs 24:3-4.

1 Corinthians 8:1		N			
Philippians 1:9					H
2 Peter 1:5					S
		A			2 Timothy 3:7
Matthew 24:32				S	
John 7:15				R	
				I	Isaiah 33:6
2 Peter 3:18					E
		W			Proverbs 24:5

By wisdom a house is built, and ...
 through _____ its rooms are filled with
 rare and beautiful treasures.

PROVERBS 24:3-4, NIV

Answers: know, insight, goodness, always, lesson, learning, foundation, grace, power, knowledge

Envelope EMBRACE

Show long-distance love to grandparents and other relatives by sending a flat hug!



What you need:

- Craft paper
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Markers
- Envelope

What you do:

1. Roll out some craft paper (long enough to spread your arms across it).
2. Lie down on your back on the paper, with arms outstretched. Have someone trace around your arms, hands and head with a pencil.
3. Cut out the outline of your hug.
4. Draw your face and features on the paper. Use markers to color your hug to look like yourself. Write a note on the back.
5. Fold up and mail your two-dimensional hug to a loved one.



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It Takes a Spark!

Love is the spark that kindles the fire of compassion. Compassion is the fire that flames the candle of service. Service is the candle that ignites the torch of hope. Hope is the torch that lights the beacon of faith. Faith is the beacon that reflects the power of God. God is the power that creates the miracle of love.

—William Arthur Ward