

# The Spire

 OCTOBER 2022

Hello Family and Friends of Park Place,  
Happy Fall!!!

It doesn't seem possible that fall has arrived once again. But, it's ok. I love fall. As the trees begin to change their colors, we are blessed with such a beautiful array of yellow, gold, orange, burnt sienna, red, burgundy, and varying shades of green. People take road trips to bask in the splendor of all the fall foliage. It is another of the many blessings that God gives us all. We, hopefully express our gratitude to God as we witness the beauty that only God can create.

I love fall as it remind us that the world is ever changing but the one constant is God. May we relish every moment on our journey. Fall also reminds us of the planting of seeds that will be buried under the leaves and the cold of winter and will once again revive and come back to new life with new sights to be in awe of. We are so lucky to have a God that cares that much for us; so much that there is always a special kind of beauty for us to be witnesses of in nature. May the beauty that is around us, everywhere remind us of all the love that is there for us all. Another of God's many gifts. Fall is also a time when there are many events happening in the life of our church. Make sure you check in on our calendar of events and come and share in all of our ministries.

Have a blessed fall and hope to see you in church.

Blessings to you all,  
*Pastor Wayne*



## Worship Schedule

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



**October 2:** World Communion Worship Service 10 a.m. Join us for Holy World Communion Worship! Join Pastor Wayne, our Chancel Choir with Jane Bedia on keyboard. Come for you are welcome here!

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

**October 9:** Worship Service 10 a.m. Join us for Worship with Pastor Wayne, our Chancel Choir with Jane Bedia on keyboard.

**October 16:** 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 in the Guild Room!

**October 23:** Worship Service 10 a.m. Come for you are all welcome Here! Please join Pastor Wayne, our Chancel Choir with Jane Bedia on keyboard.

**October 30:** Worship Service 10 a.m. Come for you are Welcome Here! Join Pastor Wayne, our Chancel Choir with Jane Bedia on keyboard.

Church News!

**Please Note:** 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.



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).

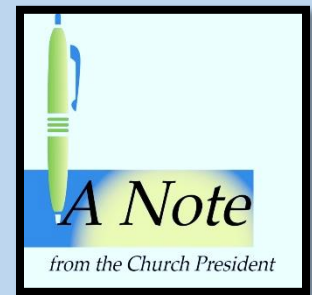
You may also view worship later in the day or anytime on Facebook & YouTube (Park Place Church).

- ❖ Healing service is planned for October 19, 2022 at 7 p.m. Join Pastor Wayne & the Chancel Choir with Jane Bedia for a Spirit filled service of Healing.
- ❖ Blessing of the Pets is November 5<sup>th</sup> 2022 at 10 -11 a.m. All pets are welcome to come to the front of the church building for a Blessing from Pastor Wayne. Please have your pets on a leash or carrier for their safety.
- ❖ Christmas on the Hill – November 12th! Details to follow in your October bulletins and November Spire. We will be asking for help with setup and cleanup. There will be signups and other opportunities for lending a hand with this event. It's a lot of fun and a great fundraiser for the church. If you have questions please see Ginny Platt, Sara Morrissette or Cathy Shute.
- ❖ **Important Note:** There will be a letter going out to you for the Portico restoration and painting project. Please watch for the letter and pledge card.

Dear Park Place Family and Friends,

I would like to thank everyone for their texts, calls, well wishes and prayers during my absence while dealing with my back issues. As someone very wise said, "getting old is not for the weak." Andy gets a special hug for making me laugh and a big hug for Ginny who transported me to the doctor - once very early in the morning and once in an incredible downpour. She wears her wings well!

Happy Halloween everyone. Boo!  
Blessings,  
*Shirley Harris*



### **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](mailto:office@ppucc.necoxmail.com).

The Prayer Shawl meeting will be gathering Guild Room from 2-3:30 p.m. on October 16<sup>th</sup>. 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.

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October Mission is **Operation Stand Down** Hygiene Products Needed for our Veterans: Shampoo, conditioner, body wash, shaving gel, razors, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, floss, Q-Tips, deodorant, sunscreen, bug spray, mouthwash, band-aids, tissues, paper towels, toilet paper, personal care items. Thank you for your generosity!

- November is **Operation Stand Down** for Veterans Food Drive: items will be listed in the November Spire



## **Prayers & Concerns for Our Family**

Please keep these people in your daily prayers: Dave; Barbara H; Cathy G; Zachery; Ethel M; Rachel; Tori; Carol; Mike & Sharon; 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 Morrissette; 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.

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## Happy Birthday!!



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

**NOTE:** If you are not listed in our birthday list please email or call the church office to let us know. Thank you.

Missed birthday for Doug Wright – October 23.

3: Andrea Padula

4: *David Walker*

4: Laurie Phillips Olson

6: Sara Morrissette

17: Taylor Poland

21: Michael Padula


## Bible Quiz

Which king allowed — even encouraged — the Judean exiles to return to Jerusalem and rebuild the temple?


- A. Cyrus of Persia
- B. Tiglath-pileser of Assyria
- C. Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon
- D. Hiram of Tyre



## Kid's Page



**PUZZLE**

**SEEING CLEARLY** 

God's character is evident through what he made.

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*Directions: Hold up the puzzle to a mirror. Then write the backward words correctly to complete Romans 1:20, NIV.*

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Answer: creation, invisible, eternal, divine, clearly, understood, people, Romans



**Revealing  
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invisible**

Create some invisible art and then reveal the seasonal design.

**What you need:**

- Leaves
- White paper
- White crayon (label removed)
- Watercolor paints
- Water
- Paintbrush



**What you do:**

1. Gather leaves of different shapes and sizes. On a table, arrange them flat without overlaps. Set the paper over them.
2. Hold the crayon sideways and use the long edge to color over the leaves. You'll make an invisible rubbing of them.
3. Then paint over the paper with watercolors. The areas with crayon will resist the paint and reveal the hidden leaf designs.



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### **No lone-ranger Christians**

World Communion Sunday, celebrated this year on October 2, reminds us there's no such thing as solitary Christianity. "As Christians we're called to belong, not just to believe," writes Rick Warren. "We are not meant to live lone-ranger lives; instead, we are to belong to Christ's family and be members of his body."

After all, Christian fellowship can't occur without fellow Christians. We can't learn the intricacies of the Bible and theology without preachers and teachers. We don't baptize ourselves. We don't take Holy Communion alone; in fact, the sacrament's very name refers to interaction with God and others.

The New Testament clearly states that one cannot be Christian all alone. We are members of Christ's body (Ephesians 5:30). We belong to the family of believers (Galatians 6:10). We are "a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people" (1 Peter 2:9, NRSV). So don't be a lone ranger or a stranger — to worship or to Holy Communion!

Bible Quiz Answer: A (See Ezra 1:1-4.)