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### Special Dates

- New Year's Day, *January 1, 2026*
- Epiphany, *January 6, 2026*
- Baptism of the Lord, *January 11, 2026*
- Martin Luther King Jr. Day, *January 19, 2026*



# The Spire



Dear  
Park Place  
Family and Friends,

We have just  
celebrated the birth of  
our Savior Jesus Christ  
and we are reeling from  
the overwhelming joy of the

biggest and best birthday celebrations of the year. I hope that you all were able to be with friends and family during "The Most Wonderful Time of the Year". It's a time for us to reawaken the magic and wonder of the blessed gift that God sent to the world so that we could all experience the Hope that comes from our faith reminding us that, in all times, God is with us. We are also reminded of the peace that comes from opening our hearts to Jesus as we have learned that the peace that comes from God is like no other. We also celebrate the joy that our hearts feel as the Messiah has come into the world bringing love and light that shines through all the darkness of the world and shines light for our hearts to reflect that light out in the world.

May the hope, peace, joy, love and light that we experience during this time of the year enlighten the way for us as we move forward to be God's people in today's world doing our part to help spread the good news. May this new year be a blessed year that brings us closer to our faith and may we help light the way for others.

Blessings to you all,

*Pastor Wayne*

## Church News & Upcoming Events!

This is a Call to our Annual Congregational - January 18<sup>th</sup> with a Snow Date of January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026 following worship at 11 a.m. All members are encouraged to attend as we will be voting on new business, annual reports and budget figures.



### Park Place Congregational UCC Missions

Please remember All are welcome to join any activity or just drop in to see what is going on!



**December Mission!!!** Thank you all so much! We collected enough food items to help 7 families. What a blessing you are to the life of this church!

Superbowl Fundraiser is February 8. Soup & Sandwich order forms are available in your January Bulletins and online. Pickup is February 8. More info, please see Sara Morrisette or David Ouellette.



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

### PRAYERS & CONCERNS FOR OUR FAMILY

The following names are current however, if you would like to update your prayer needs and remove your name, or add your loved one's name to this prayer list, please contact the office via phone (401) 726-2800 or email [office@ppucc.necoxmail.com](mailto:office@ppucc.necoxmail.com). Thank you for your attention!



**Please keep these people in your daily prayers:** Cindy; Brian Patenaude; Lois Gernier; Susan; Henry N.; Barbara possible cancer; Kevin Sherry; Cindy & Bruce, Bob G; little William; Melvin -ill; Jerilyn; Andrew; Shannon – serious heart issues; Kathlene- ongoing health problems in a nursing home; Bradley, Michelle and Kristen all grieving from a loss. Mary on kidney dialysis and grieving the recent loss of her husband, Dennis; Memory issues affecting Michael & Terri; Donna – healing from serious depression; Kristen Martin; Susan; Bonnie for healing; Diane; Mike & Joann; Maureen; Jean W.; Dororthy; Liz; Laurie – cancer; Zachary; Joey & Kelly; Nikki - cancer; Judy; Raymond; Steve – cancer; Amy with mental health issues.

Please continue prayers for:

...Prayers for our brothers & sisters in Israel, Palestine & Ukraine, all the innocent people in the middle east and around the world that are affected by this war.

...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. 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.

...our family members who are in a nursing/rehab facility: Norman Martel, Ginny Platt.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> Thrift Shop Closed	 *Rodger Lawton	<b>2</b> Sinai Church Bible Study 7 p.m.	<b>3</b> Thrift Shop 10a.m.-1p.m.
<b>4</b> Holy Communion Worship 10 a.m. Pastor Wayne  Sinai Church 1-3 p.m.	<b>5</b>  Hall Use 8- 10 p.m.	<b>6</b>   *John Brouwer	<b>7</b> Thrift Shop 10 a.m.-1 p.m.	<b>8</b> Choir Rehearsal 7 p.m.	<b>9</b>  Sinai Church Bible Study 7 p.m.	<b>10</b> Thrift Shop 10 a.m.- 1p.m.  Dance school rental 4-9 p.m. \$20 pp Open to all.
<b>11</b> Worship 10a.m. Pastor Wayne  Sinai Church 1-3 p.m.  *Ginny Platt *Michael Ruo	<b>12</b> Hall Use 8-10 p.m.  *Amanda Ruh *Susan Mobley *Erika Mederios	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Thrift Shop 10 a.m.-1 p.m.	<b>15</b>  Choir Rehearsal 7 p.m.	<b>16</b>  Sinai Church Bible Study 7 p.m.	<b>17</b> Thrift Shop 10a.m.- 1p.m.
<b>18</b> Worship 10 a.m. Pastor Wayne  Sinai Church 1-3 p.m.	<b>19</b> Martin Luther King Jr. Day Hall Use 8- 10 p.m.  *Rhina Alenzo	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Thrift Shop 10 a.m.-1p.m.  *Sophia Padula *Koami Zobinou	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Sinai Church Bible Study 7 p.m. *Normand Martel	<b>24</b> Thrift Shop 10 a.m.- 1 p.m.
<b>25</b> Worship 10 a.m. with Pastor Wayne  Sinai Church 1-3 p.m.	<b>26</b>  Hall Use 8- 10 p.m.	<b>27</b>  *Carlene Neves *Jane Bedia *Shawn Thomson	<b>28</b>  Thrift Shop 10a.m.-1p.m.	<b>29</b>  *Bill McMillan	<b>30</b>  Sinai Church Bible Study 7 p.m.	<b>31</b> Thrift Shop 10a.m. - 1 p.m.

\* indicates Birthday



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### A PURPOSEFUL NEW YEAR



The man who goes into the new year without some priorities governing his life and without some principles guiding his behavior, is prey to the tempting, unimportant and destructive things in life.

The new year is an opportunity to sort out the useless tasks and plan for the important; to review the failures and resolve to be successful; to take an inventory of causes and pledge life to purpose and service. These being done, the new will truly be new, different and better.

— C. Neil Strait