

The Spire

March 2019



The Pastor's Moment...

Dear Park Place friends and family,

Inspiration comes from many places and at many times in our lives. We are never sure where it will come from, why it will come at any given moment, or who it will come from, but all of a sudden, it's there. I want to thank all the people in my life who inspire me...the people who are and have been a part of my life for many, many years; the people who have recently come into my life; the stranger that I meet or witness doing something that touches my heart; the relative, the friend, the co-worker and even sometimes my pets. All of the things that, throughout my life, have inspired me to do the right thing, to help someone else in the world, to make a difference for the better in someone else's life, by sharing a bit of loving kindness. I want to thank you all, but mostly, I thank God for blessing me with all of these incredible experiences that have, and continue to remind me of who I, and we are called to be. I want to thank God for giving me life and joy, struggles and lessons.

May today bring joy to each of you in a way that reflects the goodness and kindness of a life lived for others. Hope to see you all in church!

In Christ's love and service,

Pastor Wayne

February Worship Assisting



Greeters & Ushers: *Stephanie Gray & Terry May Neves; Shirley Harris & Ginny Platt; George & Lois Grenier; Hailie Padula & Mike Padula*

Lay Readers: *Shirley Harris; Kristine Gervais; Shirley Harris; Andrea Padula*

Coffee Hour Hosts: *Ginny; Pastor Wayne & Sara Morrissette; David & Judy Ouellette; Pastor Wayne & Shirley*



Coffee Hour needs hosts for March. If you'd like to host a Sunday, please fill out the sign-up sheet downstairs in the hall. Thank you!

Worship Schedule

Worship begins at 10 a.m. each Sunday Morning!

March 3: *Holy Communion Worship – 10 a.m. with Pastor Wayne leading– Deacons: Ginny Platt & Cathy Shute / Coffee Hour 11 a.m./ Sinai Church 1-3 p.m.*

March 6: *Ash Wednesday Service – 7 p.m. with Pastor Wayne leading- Please join us this evening as we begin to observe the Season of Lent.*



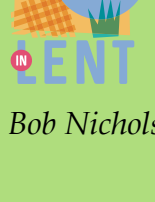
March 10: *1st Sunday in Lent - Worship- 10 a.m. with Pastor Wayne & the Rev. Marilyn Kendrix leading/ Coffee Hour 11 a.m./ Sinai Church 1-3 p.m.*



March 17: *2nd Sunday in Lent - Worship 10 a.m. with Pastor Wayne leading /Coffee Hour 11a.m. /Sinai Church 1-3 p.m./ Prayer Shawl Ministry 2-3:30 p.m.*



March 24: *3rd Sunday in Lent - Worship – 10 a.m./ Pastor Wayne leading/ Coffee Hour 11 a.m./ Sinai Church 1-3 p.m.*



March 31: *4th Sunday in Lent - Worship- 10 a.m. with Pastor Wayne Leading/ Coffee Hour 11 a.m./ Sinai Church 1-3 p.m./ Music & Praise 6 p.m. - Featuring Bob Nicholson & Pastor Wayne*

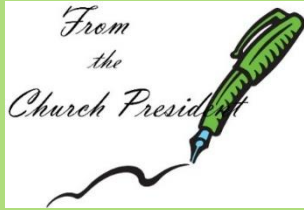


A Speical Guest Minister!

Come and meet our R.I. Transitional Conference Minister, Marilyn Kendrix on March 10th, as she will be leading us in worship and sharing about our “Together As One” process.

Let’s give her a beautiful Park Place welcome. Please plan on attending worship that day, March 10, 2019 at 10 a.m. so that we may share our love and praise of God and excitement about our future.





Dear Park Place Family,

We are experiencing more New England type winter with cold and snow (you FL snowbirds are missing out!). I see four important dates in March, the 6th is the beginning of Lent (for those who observe it), the 15th is the Ides of March (my high school Latin teacher would be so proud I still remember that), the 17th is St. Patrick's Day (oh yum, corned beef dinner). The last is the 23rd, the Cabaret featuring our own, celebrated Wayne Patenaude! Hope I see you

there!

*May the road rise to meet you,
May the wind be always at your back,
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
And rains fall soft upon your fields.
And until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of His hand.*

Shirley



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

Let's Sing!

We will be going to The Holiday Retirement Home in Manville, RI, and sing to/with the residents for about an hour in April. We'd love to have you join us.



We will be visiting The Village at Waterman Lake in Greenville, RI in April. *Both places are great outreaches to some wonderful people! All are welcome!*

Thrift Shop - Semi Annual \$5. Bag Sale!!! Stop on Buy!!!

Come stop by on Wednesdays & Saturdays from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Come see what great clothing you can add to your wardrobe with our **Big Bag Sale!** Fill the Bag with Men's, Women's and children's clothing! Great clothes to choose from for the young kids to teens and adults!



The Board of Deacons are collecting Non-perishable foods for our Needy Community members. Items needed are: peanut-butter, jelly, easy open cans of tuna, crackers & cheese, mac & cheese, soups etc. Please bring items to church on Sundays. Thank you for your generosity.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry continues to add to the lives of all who receive them; so much so that we are running very low on our wonderful prayer shawls! **Prayer Shawls continue to be greatly needed!** Our meetings are every 3rd Sunday of the month from 2-3:30 p.m. Hope to see you on March 17!

Please continue to make shawls. Prayer shawls should be 25-30 inches wide and 70 inches in length.

March Memorial & Honorary Altar Flowers

March 3: *The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by Cathy Shute in loving memory of Stanley Shute.*

March 10: *The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by Rodger, Joan and Laurie Lynn Lawton in loving memory of Walter Lawton.*

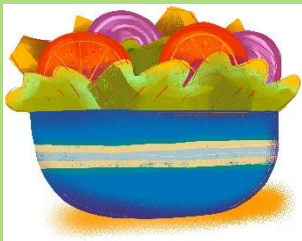
March 17: *The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by Glenn Marr & Pastor Wayne Patenaude in loving memory of Eileen Patenaude.*

March 24: *The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by Pastor Bill & Darlene McMillan in loving memory of Betty Oldham.*

March 31: *Open Sunday, please see either Terry May Neves, Ginny Platt or Dawn Shaw*

(Note: Thank you for your donations of the beautiful altar flowers each week, your continued support is greatly appreciated. Please remember that payment of \$35.00 for the altar flowers is due during that month. Thank you for your attention.)

Tossed Salad



On the “Three Sides” podcast (ELCA, Sept. 6, 2018), Wendy Davidson, a leader at the Kellogg Company, shares how her Christianity informs her work. Because her adult faith emerged from several denominational influences, she considers variety to be a strength, not only spiritually but throughout life.

Davidson encourages her co-workers to bring their unique personalities and ideas to the table to create a metaphorical salad. “It doesn’t mean that the salad now becomes one homogenous blob; it is still distinctly the flavors of the salad ingredients,” she says. “But they’ve all found a way to come together to make something that much more flavorful than they could have been all on their own.”

Viewing church and our communities this way could be transformative. What if we welcome different people, invite ideas and resist melding everything into one giant blob? Then we can savor each “ingredient” and the resulting gourmet dish. Delicious!

Bible Quiz

In John 9, Jesus' disciples ask whether a certain man or his parents sinned, causing his disability. Jesus says, "Neither. ... [It was] so that God's works might be revealed in him." What was this man's disability?

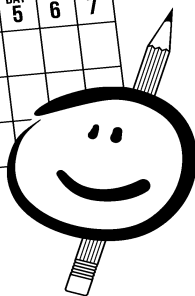


- A. Deafness B. Lameness C. Blindness D. Epilepsy

DAYS OF CREATION

Play this game to remember when God made each of his masterpieces.

DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5	DAY 6	DAY 7



What you need:

- Paper
- Rulers
- Pencils
- Markers or crayons
- Dice
- Bibles (open to Genesis 1:1-2:3 for reference)

What you do:

1. To make game boards, draw a grid with four rows and seven columns, totaling 28 squares.
2. Across the top row, write DAY 1 in the first square and continue through DAY 7.
3. Take turns rolling one die, or all players can roll at once. For the number rolled, draw something God created on that day (in the correct column).
4. When you fill an entire row, draw a smiley face in the DAY 7 square. The first player with two smileys wins.

Decode The days

At this time of year, God's creation "springs" to life.

Directions: After reading Genesis 1:1-2:3, write the correct Creation day number under each picture. Then add up each day's total and write it on the correct blank below.

Day 1 (light) _____
Day 2 (waters) _____
Day 3 (land and plants) _____
Day 4 (heavenly bodies) _____

Day 5 (birds and water animals) _____
Day 6 (land animals and people) _____
Day 7 (God rested) _____

Answers: Day 1 = 3, Day 2 = 3, Day 3 = 10, Day 4 = 6, Day 5 = 10, Day 6 = 15, Day 7 = 2