

The Spire

September 2018



The Pastor's Moment...

Dear Park Place family and friends,

How are you all??? I hope that the summer has been one of fun, renewal of spirit, and a bit of rest and relaxation. It seems as though it has flown by and here we are ready to begin another exciting church year. For those of you who have been away, you have been missed and we hope to see you soon. For those who have been coming and participating throughout the summer, it's been a joy to see you all. Sharing our summer worship with our brothers and sisters at Smithfield Ave has, as always, been a great time of being together in worship and fellowship. Please check out our fall schedule on our website and in this edition of the Spire. We have lots going on and are very excited to continue our Ministry and mission by keeping the Gospel of Jesus Christ alive and well, through our service, and working together to spread the good news... The ongoing ministry that we share is a beautiful testimony of our faith. Hoping to see everyone soon! May the blessings of our faith shine in our hearts and through our voices and actions!

With Love in Christ's service

Pastor Wayne



August Worship Assisting

Greeters & Ushers: Stephanie Gray & Ginny Platt; Shirley Harris & Ginny Platt; Deborah Poland & Ginny Platt

Coffee Hour Hosts: Stephanie Gray; Ginny Platt; Leslie Brouwer; Darlene McMillan



Lay Readers were not needed during our Shared Summer Service, however, we do need you now! Please consider being part of our worship service and sign up downstairs following worship. You are needed and greatly appreciated.

Coffee Hour needs hosts for September. 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!



September 2: Holy Communion Worship – 10 a.m./ Pastor Wayne leading/ Deacons: Darlene McMillan & Dawn Shaw /Coffee Hour 11 a.m./ Singing at the Holiday Retirement Home 2 p.m.

September 9: Welcome Home Worship – 10 a.m./ Pastor Bill leading/ Coffee Hour 11 a.m./ Sinai Church 1-3 p.m.

September 16: Worship- 10 a.m./ Pastor Wayne leading/ Coffee Hour 11 a.m./ Sinai Church 1-3 p.m. / Prayer Shawl Ministry 2-3:30 p.m.

September 23: Worship – 10 a.m./ Pastor Bill leading/ Coffee Hour 11 a.m./ Sinai Church 1-3 p.m.

September 30: Worship – 10a.m./ Pastor Wayne leading/ Baptism of Petra Pearl Palumbo / Coffee Hour 11 a.m./ Sinai Church 1-3 p.m./ Music & Praise 6 p.m.

Movie Night & Bible Study

Our last movie night will be Monday, September 17th, with *The War Room*. Then Bible Study will return October 8 @ 6 p.m. All are welcome!

Our Christian Education/ Sunday School News!

Summer has been eventful this year with two of our youth off to college!

If you'd like to enroll your child(ren) in our Class, please speak with Kristine Gervais. Classes start soon!

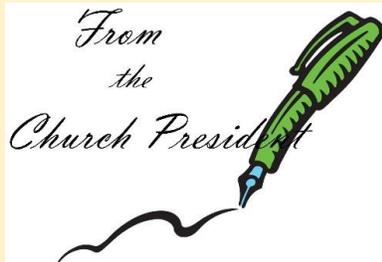


Our Youth News!

Hannah Gervais is now part of the RI Rockets Softball Team, playing year round! Way to go Hannah!

Hailie Padula starts her sophomore year of high school. Hailie came in 11th of 13 swimmers at the All Pool Meet at Kendbrin Swim and Tennis Club.

Sophia will be attending Kindergarten this year! Sophia has been playing soccer and taking tumble class over the summer.



Welcome back Everyone!

Summer is officially over, fall is looming. I hope it was an enjoyable (but Hot) summer. We, at Park Place, are thinking ahead to another busy schedule. Many ministries that were on hiatus, such as Bible Study, Prayer Shawl, will be starting again with renewed energy.

I look forward to seeing you all at Sunday Service and our monthly Praise and Worship. The Fire Code Fund, *Safe In Prayer*, is inching upward just over \$20,000. Don't forget the special Jazz Concert with our own Jane Dean-Burkhart and her husband, Seth, and their band members on September 15th!

Blessings,
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 on September 2. Our visits are the first Sunday of each month to make planning easier. We'd love to have you join us.

We will be visiting The Village at Waterman Lake in Greenville, RI on October 14. We would love to have you come and join us to bring music to the residents. Our visits are usually on the second Sunday of each month to make planning easier. *Both places are great outreaches to some wonderful people! All are welcome!*





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!* We have been taking the summer off! Our meetings will resume in September 16, from 2-3:30 p.m. hope to see you then! Please continue to make shawls. Prayer shawls should be 25-30 inches wide 70 inches in length. See you on September 16!

Stop by the Thrift Shop

We're Having a Sale During September!!! Come On Down!!

Come stop by on Wednesdays & Saturdays from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. During the month of September we will be having a \$5 Bag Sale! Fill the bag with clothing and it's yours for only \$5!!! Come see what new looks you can add to your wardrobe! Great clothes to choose from for the young kids to teens and adults!



Prayers & Concerns for Our Family

Please keep these people in your daily prayers: Jean; Bill Pacelt; Andrea; Steven; Patricia Grenier; David T; Elaine; Austen Lepper Carol, John; Cindy offers Thanks for our secret angels; Carlene; Karen B; Lisa Lyon; Richard Deblois, Judy O; Peter-emotional turmoil; Kathy Morrisette; Anna; Brenda; Linda C.; Stacia; Colin Walker; Bobby Nicholson; Charlie; Betsy; Paul; Moe; Shelia Clough; Jackie Gardikis; Josh Barber; Paul; Melanie; Gabriella; Karen; Libby; Beth Fournier; Kenny; John Peter; Michael; Virginia; Steve; Alice; Deb C; Emily; Debbie Coury; Ann-Marie; Terry; Irene Marteno- cancer; Phyllis; Joyce - (cancer); Lauren & Heather; Frank; Cory; Joanne; Katherine; Irene; Bev; Jim; Ethel; Grace; Tom; Gregg; Peter; Nancy; Eric Green; Debbie Ziegenhagen; Cathleen; Claudia Berube; Trevor Bynoe; Dianne; Bob; Sherry; Terry; All people fighting cancer.



Please continue prayers for

- for the victims and families of domestic abuse.
- all those still impacted by all natural disasters.
- the victims of all the turmoil worldwide. May the Lord bring Peace to this world.
- 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: Rita Clough; Carolyn Chirnside; Claudia Dunn; Gloria Sasnett; Madeline Shay; Barbara; & friends at the Holiday Retirement Home and The Village at Waterman Lake.

September Memorial & Honorary Altar Flowers

September 2: *The Altar flowers are given in a loving September 11th birthday remembrance of Wendy Lincoln from Bill and Darlene.*

September 9: *The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by Barbara and Don Langford in loving memory of Charles and Selma Ross and daughter, Pamela.*

September 16: *The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by Catherine Shute in loving memory of Edmund Henry.*

September 23: *The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by Bill and Darlene McMillan in loving memory of their friends, Mary Beck & Lynn Dieterich.*

September 30: *Open Sunday. If you'd like to donate flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one, please let the Flower Committee know! Thank you*

(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.)

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... to stay in touch with your Park Place Church

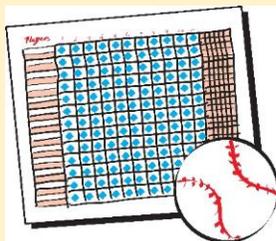


... use your mobile device to visit our website. You can get up to the minute information, view the Spire electronically, view our events, or see our worship schedule!

Park Place Church E-giving: simply scan on your Smart phone or mobile device and enter your information! It's as easy as 1, 2, 3! Keep up on your church giving, pay for your altar flowers, give to the *Safe in Prayer* campaign and purchase your event tickets too. You can also schedule your weekly giving!



Keeping Score



Baseball purists often delight in keeping detailed scorecards. So do many Christians — often unknowingly. Do you give yourself “credit” for your years in the faith? for the number of services or studies you attend? for the good deeds you perform? for the Bible verses and creeds you know by heart?

In Philippians 3:4-6, Paul recites his impressive scorecard, yet despite those credentials, he couldn't earn God's favor. Neither can we. Our tallies are all "loss" (v. 7) when compared to the righteousness that comes through faith in Christ (v. 9).

Attending church, serving and memorizing Scripture are good things. But we do them not to get right with God but because we are right with God — through Jesus.

RIUCC Conference News

Super Saturday

Oct. 20, 8:00 AM - 3:45 PM

Keefe Regional Technical High School, Framingham, MA

Join us for a full day of worship, workshops and networking. Keynote address by Dr. David M. Csinos, who writes widely about faith formation, children's ministry, youth ministry, and culture.

Rhode Island Conference Autumnal Meeting 2018

Nov. 3, 7:30 AM to 1:00 PM

First Congregational Church UCC, Bristol, RI

Bus Trip to Visit 2 Rhode Island Churches

Nov. 8, 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Join the Seekonk Congregational Church, UCC Woman's Group and the Rev. Dr. H. Daehler Hayes, RI Conference Minister Emeritus, to visit Central Congregational UCC in Providence and Slatersville Congregational UCC with a stop at Wright's Farm for lunch.

