

## MEETINGS

### UPCOMING CHURCH MEETINGS

| Date         | Meeting                         | Time            |
|--------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Mon Sept. 24 | Bible Study – 85 Robin Rd.      | 7 – 8:30 pm     |
| Tue Sept. 25 | Hand Bell rehearsal             | 4:30pm          |
| Wed Sept. 26 | PUMC Farm stand                 | 10 - 11:30 am   |
| Wed Sept. 26 | Bible Study - parlor            | 12:30 – 2:00 pm |
| Wed Sept. 26 | Choir - parlor                  | 7:00 pm         |
| Sun Sept. 30 | Fellowship Brunch – Parish Hall | 11:15 am        |

#### NOTE:

**JOYS & CONCERNS FORMS** –\*\*The forms can now be found in your bulletin. Please fill out your Joys and Concerns forms and hand them to the usher during the hymn after the sermon. Please leave any unused forms in the pew or on the clipboard. We appreciate your help in recycling whenever we can.

**ATTENDANCE PAD CLIPBOARDS** – Please fill in your information so that we can continue to get better acquainted with one another. We appreciate your help each week with the process of becoming more welcoming and open to sharing the love of Christ with all of our neighbors.

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS** – if you would like to publish information in the bulletin please get it to the church office by 10:00 a.m. on Thursday morning. Information for the October newsletter should be submitted no later than Monday, Sept. 24.

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK included 71 hearty Christians.**

~We celebrate and appreciate those who invite their friends and neighbors.

#### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Church Secretary: **Maryteresa Hicks: M: 9:15 – 1:15pm; T - F: 10 – 2pm**

**Pastor: Rev. Michael Pike will be away M- TH; in the office F: – 1 pm**

## EVENTS

**GOD’S COMMUNITY GARDEN: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED MONDAY, TUESDAY & THURSDAY 10 AM – 12 NOON to help with garden maintenance as well as to pick, weigh and pack vegetables for the four farm stands.**

#### **FARM STANDS:**

The Farm Stands are open Wednesdays from 10:00-11:30 am through the end of September.

#### **BIBLE STUDY:**

**Mon. 7 – 8:30 pm** at the home of Fred and Christine Dube, Portsmouth (studying “Who I Am in Christ” by Neil T. Anderson).

**Wed. 12:30-2:00 p.m.** in the parlor studying: “The Practice of The Presence of God.”



#### **FALL FESTIVAL IS BACK!**

Fall Festival will be held this year on **Saturday, October 27 from 9-2pm**. In order to have a successful festival we will need lots of hands. A sign up sheet has been posted on the TIM.

#### **CANDY MAKING DAY for the FALL FESTIVAL -**

Please join us for a **candy making** day to support the Fall Festival. Starting 10 am to 3 pm on **October 13th**. If you are a candy maker and have supplies that you would like to share or a special candy that you make please join us. If you have no experience in candy making, we can always use the help, it is an easy craft day to include packaging, bow tying and paring/shaving chocolate from the finished product. Lunch will be served. Please contact Susan Soderlund if you have any questions.

## **Meditation for the Day**

God is good. You can often tell whether or not a thing is of God. If it is of God, it must be good. Honesty, purity, unselfishness, and love are all good, unselfish helpfulness is good, and these things all lead to the abundant life. Leave in God's hands the present and the future, knowing only that He is good. The hand that veils the future is the hand of God. He can bring order out of chaos, good out of evil, and peace out of turmoil. We can believe that everything really good comes from God and that He shares His goodness with us. ~Hazelden: *Twenty-Four Hours a Day*

### **ELECTRONIC GIVING HAS ARRIVED**

Numerous congregants have expressed an interest in being able to electronically donate from their mobile devices, (iPhones, tablets, & laptops) both for their pledges as well as Special Appeals. We now have that capability. Methods of payment include Visa, Mastercard, Debit, Credit or Check. You can make a one time payment or setup reoccurring automatic payments. The site that hosts the financial transactions is a secure site with PCI security. Following your donation, you will receive a receipt by email. At any time, you wish, you can display and/or print an account status.

To give electronically, go to the new PUMC website ([www.pumcri.org](http://www.pumcri.org)) or use the direct link: <https://give.mogiv.com/pumcgive>. You will have to create an account the first time. If you have problems there will be additional guidance posted on the bulletin board.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WELCOME VISITORS** – We are glad you are here. If you would like a letter sharing more of how this faith community can serve you, please fill out your information on the Attendance pad and check off "Visitor".

**ADULT CHOIR**- Welcome back to our Choir! Weekly rehearsals are held on Wednesdays at 7pm in the parlor. All are welcome!

**HAND BELL CHOIR** – Weekly rehearsals are held on Tuesdays at 4:30pm (as scheduled by Janet Rego)

**Sunday  
Brunch**

**FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH** – Sunday, September 30 after worship in the Parish Hall. Come break bread together and share fellowship. Breakfast and lunch foods will be served along with diabetic options.

**“40 Days of Love”- Prayer Renewal and Outreach –  
September 9 – October 18  
Area churches participating together**

Starting on Wed. Sept 19 and continuing through September 28 we will be Praying for ten of our friends, neighbors, co-workers, or family members - Ask God who to pray for. Please pray for those ten people for ten days (Sept 19-28) asking God to bless them and that they might open their hearts to God.