

MEETINGS

UPCOMING CHURCH MEETINGS

Date	Meeting	Time
Mon Oct. 22	Bible Study – 85 Robin Rd.	7 – 8:30 pm
Tue Oct. 23	Hand Bell rehearsal	4:30 pm
Wed Oct. 24	Study of Galatians/James	12:30-2:00 Parlor
Wed Oct. 24	Choir - parlor	7:00 pm
Thurs Oct. 25	Cong. Care - parlor	9:00 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 November newsletter should be submitted no later than Monday, October 29.

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK included 62 hearty Christians.

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

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Church Secretary: **Maryteresa Hicks: M-F 10 - 2**

Pastor: **Rev. Michael Pike: Tues, Thurs, and Fri : 11-1pm**

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 pantries and farm stands.

FARM STANDS:

The Farm Stands are closed for October; however vegetables will be available in November at the following locations: Florence Gray Food Pantry, Newport, St.Paul's Warm-Up Wednesday, Newport and at the Bristol Food Pantry where anyone can apply for a card. Please call Peggy Hanney for more information.

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. Starting a New Study of Galatians and James on Oct 24.

Pumpkin Patch Missions Project

The Pumpkin Patch is back for 2018! Please support this community outreach and fundraiser by buying pumpkins, helping to unload pumpkins, volunteering to sell pumpkins, and helping to spread the word to your friends and neighbors. A page of dates and times when help is needed is on line, **Here is the link to sign up for working in the Pumpkin Patch**
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0E4BADAC22A3FA7-pumpkin>

There will also be a hard copy here on a clipboard at the church– pick a day and time to volunteer; Funds will go to meet our Mission Shares commitment to Mission Projects all over the world through the United Methodist Church. Together we can make a difference for God!

Meditation for the Day

Not until you have failed can you learn true humility. Humility arises from a deep sense of gratitude to God for giving you the strength to rise above past failures. Humility is not inconsistent with self-respect. The true person has self-respect and the respect of others and yet is humble. The humble person is tolerant of others' failings, and does not have a critical attitude toward the foibles of others. Humble people are hard on themselves and easy on others.

~ 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) 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 is additional guidance posted on the bulletin board.



TALENT DOLLARS AT WORK

Dave and Carol Hutchinson will be baking Swedish coffee rolls for their talent dollar project. Rolls will be available for sale at \$5.00 a dozen after church on Nov. 4th, and Nov. 11th. To order in advance, please call them or email Carol.

Talent dollars are being used for the Mission Shares budget item.

CHARGE CONFERENCE—THURSDAY, Nov. 8, 6pm

All members and church attenders are encouraged to attend.

Leaders and groups who have a report for the conference must have it into the office no later than October 18.

ANNOUNCEMENTS October 20-21, 2018

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- Weekly rehearsals are held on Wednesdays at 7pm in the parlor. All are welcome!

****INVITATION TO SING WITH THE CHOIR FOR OUR CHRISTMAS CANTATA****

Our Christmas Cantata will be sung on the third Sunday of Advent, December 16th. We welcome members of our Congregation to join our choir for the Christmas Season. We are practicing Christmas music for the Cantata on Wednesdays, in the parlor, from 7:45-8:30. Please let Sheila know if you are interested.

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

IT'S TIME TO ORDER YOUR CHRISTMAS WREATHS!

Sign up on the bulletin board.

The **Downeast Mission Wreath.** These are fresh, high-quality, hand-made, fragrant Balsam Fir wreaths from Maine. Project supports our PUMC Youth Group and the Down East Maine Missions. (see flier on bulletin). 24" wreath (door size) for \$24. Wreaths delivered to PUMC the Sat. after Thanksgiving. Contact Beth Velzis with any questions.