

MEETINGS

Date	Meeting	Time
Mon. Mar. 25	Bible Study – 85 Robin Rd.	7:00 pm
Tue. Mar. 26	SPRC - parlor	6:30 pm
Wed. Mar. 27	Bible Study - parlor	12:30 – 2:00
Wed. Mar. 27	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
Thur. Mar. 28	Hand Bell rehearsal	4:30 pm
Thur. Mar. 28	Soup, Bread & Devotional -Calvary UMC	6:00 pm
Sun. Mar.31	Pink Sunday - Worship	10:00 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.

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK included 56 hearty Christians on Sunday. ~We celebrate and appreciate those who invite their friends and neighbors.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

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

Pastor: Rev. Michael Pike: T:11 -1pm, F:8-10am

***note these hours DO change from time to time - please check the latest bulletin or call ahead, for the most accurate times**

EVENTS

**GOD’S COMMUNITY GARDEN: VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED MONDAY, TUESDAY & THURSDAY
10 AM – 12 NOON:
to help with general garden maintenance**

FARM STANDS:

The Farm Stands are closed for the season and the winter harvest has ended.

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 pm in the parlor- Study of Galatians and James.



SOUP, BREAD & DEVOTIONAL GATHERING – Thursday, March 28 at 6:00 pm at Calvary UMC, 200 Turner Road, Middletown. As Part of our Lenten journey the UM churches of Aquidneck Island will come together each Thursday in Lent to share in soup to nourish our bodies, a spiritual message to stretch our souls and the opportunity to become better friends in Christ. The schedule of these gatherings is posted on the bulletin board; **PUMC is responsible to provide the food for this gathering on 3/28. Please sign up on the bulletin board to bring a soup, bread or dessert.** There is a separate sign-up sheet if you are going to attend so Calvary can have a head count for seating.

*****CLAY WORKSHOPS (SPRC, FINANCE AND TRUSTEES)
ON SATURDAY, MARCH 30TH – location has changed. It will now be held at East Greenwich UMC, 1558 S. County Trail, East Greenwich, RI.**

Meditation for the Day

God's spirit is all about you all day long. You have no thoughts, no plans, no impulses and no emotions that He does not know about. You can hide nothing from Him. Do not make your conduct conform only to that of the world and do not depend on the approval or disapproval of others. God sees in secret, but He rewards openly. If you are in harmony with the Divine Spirit, doing your best to live the way you believe God wants you to live, you will be at peace. ~ Hazelden: *Twenty-Four Hours a Day*



A DROP IN THE BUCKET-Thanks to all who participated. 216 pairs of socks were collected and went out on the Mobile Loaves and Fishes truck to Green Street and Crossroads in Providence where they were distributed to the homeless and those in need. If you want to find out more about the organization, you can Google Mobile Loaves and Fishes of RI. There is a video which shows the Barrington Methodist Church on a run. Questions can be directed to: Peggy Hanney.
Thanks ~Peggy Hanney

PINK SUNDAY – MARCH 31st - For at least the past 30 years, our community has celebrated **PINK SUNDAY** in the middle of the Lenten Season. You can Google Laetare Sunday and learn that this tradition goes back into the middle ages in the Catholic Church. (I'm not sure if it is before or after Martin Luther) The pink reminds us that in the midst of this Lenten Season when we are reflecting on our spiritual lives, that it is all right to take a break and look forward to the joy that will be ours on Easter morning. We have the same use of pink during the Advent season as there are 3 purple candles and a pink one! So---- come **March 31st**, come to church wearing some pink – a tie, shirt, blouse, jacket, scarf, dress, etc...The possibilities are endless!!

~Carol Hutchinson

ANNOUNCEMENTS March 23-24, 2019

WELCOME VISITORS – We are glad you are here. Please fill out your information on the Attendance pad and check off "Visitor".

ADULT CHOIR- Weekly rehearsals are held on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in the parlor. All are welcome!

HAND BELL CHOIR – Weekly rehearsals are held on Thursdays at 4:30pm (as scheduled by Janet Rego).
Check with Janet for the latest info on rehearsal times.



EASTER FLOWERS - We are asking for your help to beautify the Church for Easter with your choice of Lilies, Tulips, or Hyacinths. Flowers are \$15.00. **Orders must be received no later than Monday, April 15th.** Order forms have been placed on the bulletin board and in the newsletter. Questions, please call Diane Peckham.

APRIL NEWSLETTER – The deadline for submitting items for the April Newsletter is Tuesday, March 26.

"THE CASE FOR EASTER" by Lee Strobel - booklets are available today for anyone who wants to have evidence that the resurrection of Jesus Christ actually happened. Take one - Read it – Pass It On. Thanks to a generous church member these are only \$1.00 each (if you can afford to pay) - Pastor Mike

