

## MEETINGS – Week of 1/19

Date	Meeting	Time
Mon. Jan. 20	Bible Study – 85 Robin Road	7:00pm
Tue. Jan. 21	Handbell Rehearsal	4:30pm
Tue. Jan. 21	SPRC - parlor	6:30pm
Wed. Jan. 22	Bible Study - parlor	12:30pm
Wed. Jan. 22	Choir - parlor	7:00pm
Sun. Jan. 26	Sunday Morning Volunteer Training - Sanctuary	11:00-11:45am

**NOTE:** We appreciate your patience while we are going through a transition in our music program. We are doing the best we can. Please pray for and support those who serve in the music ministry each week.

**FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER:** deadline to submit items is Friday, January 24

**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. We appreciate your help in recycling whenever we can.

**CONNECT CARDS** -One of our primary purposes as a church is connecting with one another and with God. We want to improve our communication and responsiveness as a church family. **PLEASE** help us by filling out the Connect Card every week to respond to your experience of worship. Place the card in the offering plate, or give it to an usher, as an expression of your response. These cards will help us to care for and address your spiritual needs. (Fill out at least your name and date).

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK** included 49 Christians on Saturday and Sunday in the Sanctuary. We celebrate and appreciate those who invite their friends and neighbors.

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Church Secretary: **Office closed Monday for MLK Day;**  
**T-F: 10am-2pm**

Pastor: **Rev. Michael Pike:** contact the office for Pastor's office hours.

## EVENTS

### **GOD'S COMMUNITY GARDEN: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED MONDAY, TUESDAY & THURSDAY 10 AM – 12 NOON:**

To help with general garden maintenance, planting and harvesting. **Volunteers harvested 84.5 lbs. of vegetables between Jan 1-11, all of which has been distributed to Wednesday Warm Up and the Florence Gray Center.**

**FARM STANDS:** The farm stands are now closed for the season.

### **BIBLE STUDY:**

**Mon.** 7 – 8:30 pm at the home of Fred and Christine Dube, 85 Robin Rd., Portsmouth, studying “Steps To Freedom” by Neil T. Anderson.

**Wed.** 12:30-2:00 pm in the parlor, studying Romans.



**PUMC WOMEN'S GROUP BREAKFAST—Sunday, January 26 at 8:30 am** in the parlor. The Women's Group meets on the fourth Sunday of the month.

**PUMC MEN'S GROUP—** monthly meeting on **Sunday, January 26 at 8:45 am** in the Parish Hall. The Men's Group meets on the fourth Sunday of the month.

### **SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEER TRAINING –**

A 45-minute training session will be held Sunday, January 26 at 11:00am after worship. Those wishing to volunteer as liturgists, ushers, greeters and slide projectionists should attend.

## Meditation for the Day

I will come to God in faith and He will give me a new way of life. This new way of life will altar my whole existence, the words I speak, the influence I have. They will spring from the life within me. I see how important is the work of a person who has this new way of life. The words and the example of such a person can have a wide influence for good in the world.

~Hazelden: *Twenty-Four Hours a Day*

Thanks and appreciation from Pastor Mike for all of your kind texts and emails on the passing of his mom, Shirley Pike:

“We deeply appreciate everyone’s prayers and love – the Lord was present every step of the way. Your prayers also helped carry us through.”

~Pastor Mike

## TODAY IS HUMAN RELATIONS SUNDAY



“We have been asked to love one another like members of our family. Knowing how hard this request would be, God sent Jesus to show us how. Jesus walked with those in the margins during his life and shared the message that everyone is valuable and loved.

This is the message we celebrate on [Human Relations Day](#).”

Dana Lyles, Ph.D., General Board of Global Ministries  
Rev. Neal Christie, General Board of Church and Society  
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## ANNOUNCEMENTS Jan. 18-19, 2020

**WELCOME VISITORS** – We are glad you are here. Please fill out your information on the Connect Card and check off "Visitor". **You are invited to join us for fellowship and refreshments after the service in the Parish Hall.**

**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.

**CHOIR REHEARSAL** – Wednesdays at 7pm in the parlor.

**HANDBELL REHEARSAL** – weekly on Tuesdays at 4:30pm. Talk to Janet Rego if you are interested. **Rehearsals will resume Tuesday, Jan. 21.**



**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY - SUNDAY NURSERY CARE** – Are you looking for a way to serve Jesus and PUMC? This is an opportunity to serve Him by watching over His littlest ones. Once a month, could you watch over our precious lambs in the nursery? Talk to Peggy, Mida, Allison, Jan, Susan, or one of the other loving caregivers who have helped out through the years about the joys and rewards of this very important church mission work! We need at least one more wonderful volunteer. . If interested please contact Mida Clarke.