



Peace Dale
CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

PDCC E-Light Newsletter

May 25, 2023

CHURCH SERVICE 10:00 AM

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Birthdays

Scott Stafford	5/24
Ashley Waterman- Pellitier	5/24
Derek Dowgiallo	5/27
Sue Dimon	5/28
John Golberg	5/28
Meagan Hackey	5/30
Morgan Weinreich	5/31
Finley Totten	6/2
Barbara Thompson	6/3
Brad Alton	6/4

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peacedalechurch.org

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Last Week's E-Light

peacedalechurch.org/e-li

Family Service is All Shook Up!

The FINAL FAMILY SERVICE, until fall, is happening this Sunday, 5/28 @ 10AM.

Meg Kolodziej, our Christian Education and Youth Director is inviting us to remember the life of Jesus from birth to death in music and mini skits. You will hear favorite songs: Mary Did You Know?; Walk on Water (remember the dancers?) and In Remembrance of Me and more. It'll be a great review of this year's curriculum that will delight all ages.

We will remember throughout the arc of Jesus' life that he was a mover and shaker. Are you ready to shake things up?

Btw, we are planning to have this worship service alfresco, outside the sanctuary, so come dressed for worship in the cathedral of God's creation.

Can't wait to see you on Sunday!

Shalom, Pastor Fred



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**The church office will be closed
Monday, May 29.**



Worship Flowers

The flowers of Sunday, May 28 are given by Holly Smith to the Glory of God

and with humble gratitude to Rowland Gibson Hazard II, Mary Pierpoint Hazard, and their daughter Mary Hazard Campbell, my grandmother, and her son Wallace Campbell III, my uncle, who gave so much of their care and service to this church and the community of Peace Dale.

Flowers are a beautiful way to remember a loved one, celebrate a special occasion or simply give to the glory of God. Anyone interested in donating flowers please contact Bea MacGregor: call or text (401) 741-7518, or email to bmacgregor47@gmail.com. Opportunities are available for flower donations on June 4, 11, and 25.

Flowers Bought in June will Benefit Dinner Table

Each month, Stop & Shop stores select a hunger organization to benefit. **Peace Dale Dinner Table** has been selected by the Narragansett Stop & Shop Store Leadership Team to receive \$1 from every **\$10.99 Bloomin' 4 Good bouquet** sold during the month of **June 2023** at:

Stop & Shop
91 Point Judith Road, Narragansett RI

Look for the sleeve marked "Bloomin' 4 Good."



More info at stopandshop.2givelocal.com/program/bloomin-4-good/



On the Calendar

Saturday, May 27 @ 4 pm
 Songs & Stories with Paul Baker Hernandez

Sunday, May 28 @ 10am
 Family Service outside, weather permitting

Wednesday, May 31 @ 11am
 Memorial Service for Barry Keinard

Saturday, June 3 @ 1-2pm
 Praise and Play

Sunday, June 4 @ 4pm
 Block Island Sound Brass Quintet Concert

Thursday, June 8 @ 5pm
 Tunes & Tacos, SK Fine Arts Boosters

Friday, June 9 @ 6:30 pm
 Beauty and Geology of National Parks

Saturday, June 10 @ 11am
 Memorial Service for Nicholas Vlachos

Sunday, June 11 @ 10am
 Music Sunday

Sunday, June 11 @ 4pm
 Gospel Choir Peace Dale Presents Concert

Mondays @ 6:30pm
 NA Meeting – Learn to Live

Tuesdays @ 9:30am
 Prayer Circle

Tuesdays @ 6:30pm
 AA Meeting

Tuesdays @ 6:30pm
 Bell Choir Rehearsal

Thursdays @ 5:30pm
 Traditional Choir Rehearsal

Thursdays @ 7pm
 Contemporary Choir Rehearsal



Membership Notes

- ❖ Barry Keinard passed away Wednesday, May 24, 2023. A memorial service will be held at PDCC on Wednesday, May 31 @ 11am.
- ❖ A memorial service for Nicholas Vlachos will be held at PDCC on Saturday, June 10 @ 11am. Nicolas passed away January 13, 2023.

Our own Jean Simpson on horn and Tacy Hackey's sister – Jenny (Harris) Collins – on trumpet!

BLOCK ISLAND SOUND BRASS QUINTET

in concert

JUNE 4, 2023 @ 4PM

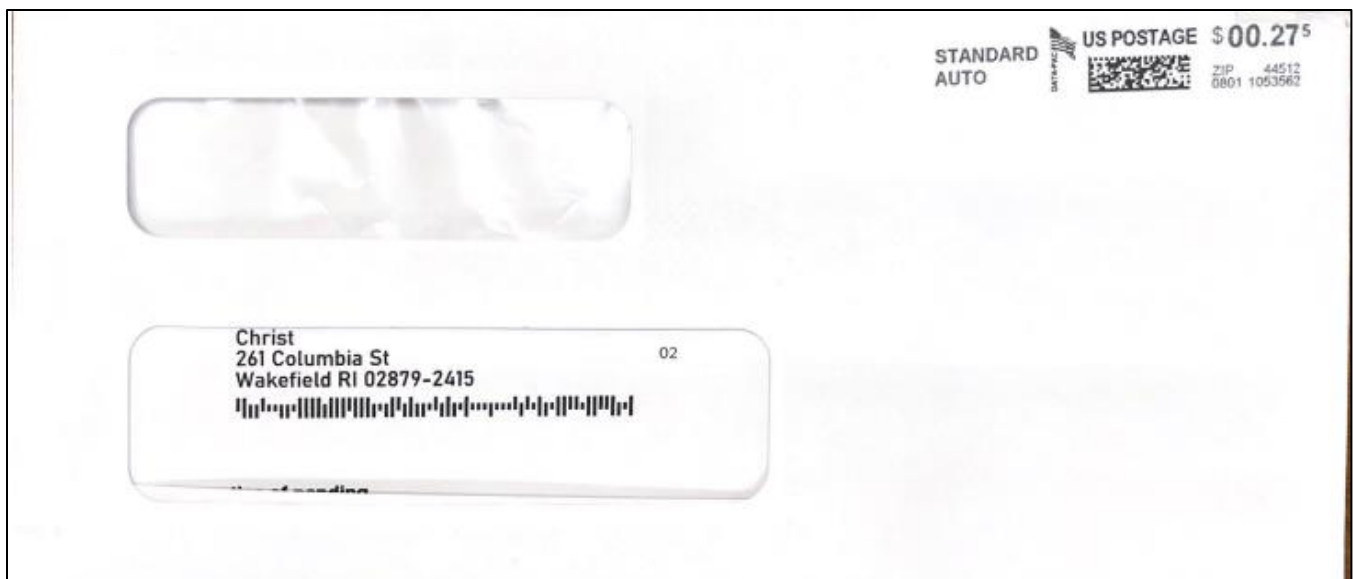
Peace Dale Congregational Church
261 Columbia Street
Peace Dale, RI

Suggested Offering \$20

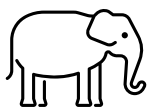
Students Free



Even the Post Office Knows: *Christ Lives at PDCC!*



White Elephants



Thanks for all your packing materials and sharing your treasures.

We take items all year round. Please no clothing, shoes, books, furniture, paintings, stuffed animals, artwork or frames.

Yes, toys, kitchen and household items, decoratives, small appliances, linens, sports equipment and gardening items.

PLEASE HOLD ON THE BAGS. We're all set!

Submitted by Jane Stabile

Dinner Table Bakers



A tremendous thank you to all who have continued to bake monthly for the Dinner Table desserts since we have resumed. And sincere

thanks to the volunteers who have stepped up when we needed extra desserts.

There are two openings for monthly bakers. This involves making 60 cookies, bars, or brownies WITHOUT NUTS and placing them in individual bags. If you are interested, please contact Sharon Lankford at (401) 783-3896

Submitted by Sharon Lankford



**Praise
and Play!**

**Experience God's love
with all your senses**

Stories, art, music, puppets,
sensory play, & snacks

May 6 & June 3 1-2 pm

Peace Dale Church

Inclusive, Interactive, and Fun

Food Drive for Jonnycake

The first two Sundays in June, there will be a Food Drive to support the food pantry at the Jonnycake Center. Please see the attached flyer for preferred donations.



Items can be placed in boxes near the office entrance. Donations can also be brought in during hours the church is open. Amazon may have deals, but you can also use the cards you purchase at the Raise Right table during Fellowship to increase your superpower!

Submitted by James McMonigle



Social Justice in Action

For **THIS MONTH'S** list of events and opportunities check out the [Social Justice Committee info](#) on the **Missions** or **Groups** section of our PDCC website.

Submitted by Joanne Haynes

Church Family Life Events – Fun Event Ideas for May

Church Family Life (CFL) highly suggests you ask someone at PDCC to join you. Why not ask during hospitality after church when we're all together?

Please share events you find or are interested in with Jane Stabile.

Memorial Day Parades & Tributes Commemorate the lives of Rhode Island's lost service members at a local parade. <https://www.rimonthly.com/memorial-day-parades-in-rhode-island/>

Goodnight Sweetheart, Goodnight a musical by the Wilbury Theater Group written by Darcie Dennigan at the Waterfire Arts Center in Providence. It tells the story of Artemisia Gentileschi, considered one of the great artists of the Baroque period. <https://web.ovationtix.com/trs/pr/1157309>

➡ Possible group dates of Fri. 6/2 @ 7:30 PM or Sun. 6/4 @ 2 PM. Contact jane.stabile@outlook.com for more information or to express interest ASAP!

5/26 – 5/29 Boots on the Ground for Heroes – Operation Stand Down, Memorial Day Weekend. Almost 7,000 boots on the ground for Heroes Memorial with names, photo and details. Updated yearly. <https://osdri.org/news-events/>

5/27 Wakefield Music Festival Spring into Summer! Presented by Phil's Main St. Grill at The Contemporary Theater, 2 – 4 PM. <https://www.southcountyri.com/event/wakefield-music-festival-spring-into-summer!/16637/>

5/27 @ 4 PM One Planet One People right here at PDCC songs, stories, discussion and laughter with Paul Baker Hernandez from Climate Leader Nicaragua.

2023 Theater by the Sea's season begins in May. This year's main performances are "My Way," a musical tribute to Frank Sinatra; "Beautiful," The Carole King Musical; "The Bodyguard" (Musical) and "Jersey Boys." There are additional offerings. <https://www.theatrebythesea.com>

Sun. 6/4 – Block Island Sound Brass Quintet right here at PDCC with our own Jean Simpson on horn @ 3 PM, Suggested offering \$20, students free. See poster p. 3.

Various dates May & June - In June of 1772 brave colonists from Rhode Island burned the British revenue schooner, HMS Gaspee, during what has become recognized as the first bloodshed of the American Revolution. <http://www.gaspee.com/events>

5/26 – 9/10 Sean Kenney's Nature Connects with Legos at Green Animals Topiary Garden, Portsmouth, RI, 10 AM to 5 PM. <https://www.newportmansions.org/mansions-and-gardens/green-animals-topiary-garden/>

Submitted by Jane Stabile



Dine with Nine

Three hosts, three great socials with super food and camaraderie.

Thanks so much to our hosts Aviry Christy and Christine

Grevstad; Lynn McCall and Ron Ulmschneider; Eve Keenan and Linda Tucker.

NEXT SERIES: the weekend of **August 18, 19 & 20.** I suggest you pencil the dates in on your calendar now. A fun way to meet your fellow PDCCers!



SK 300th Anniversary Parade Saturday, June 17 @ 10am-12:30pm

The festive 1.3 mile parade begins near the High School and ends at Town Hall! [Parade Route Map](#) on the SK300th Website.

Everyone invited to stay after the parade and continue the celebration at the Post Parade Picnic with live music and food trucks at the Saugatucket Park, 101 High Street.

The Green Team Presents

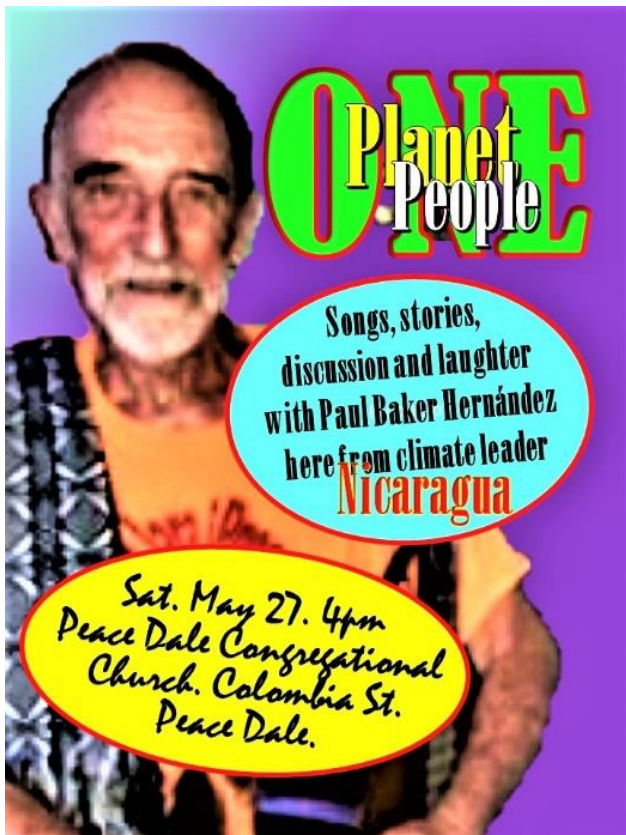
SONGS, STORIES, DISCUSSION, AND LAUGHTER WITH PAUL BAKER HERNANDEZ

Guest performer visiting from Nicaragua

**Saturday, May 27 @ 4pm, Peace Dale
Congregational Church, Community Lounge**

Paul is an Environmental Activist who can describe the worsening status of climate change in a developing country such as Nicaragua, and what can be done to alleviate the problem. What can we, as Americans do to help?

While a silent Trappist monk in Scotland, Paul cobbled his guitar together from his Abbot's old toilet seat and other scraps. And left to sing Bob Dylan! Fifty odd years a minstrel, he now lives in Nicaragua, touring constantly to share - in story, song and practical programs - the example of that gallant little country in adapting to the climate emergency now affecting us all, even with extremely limited resources and against enormous odds.



THE BEAUTY AND GEOLOGY OF YELLOWSTONE & TETON NATIONAL PARKS

**Friday, June 9 @ 6:30pm, Peace Dale
Congregational Church**



To a person uninstructed in natural history, his country stroll is a walk through a gallery filled with wonderful works of art, nine-tenths of which have their faces turned to the wall.

---Thomas Henry Huxley

This photo/video illustrated talk by O. Don Hermes, Prof. Emeritus University of Rhode Island and life-long geologist, will emphasize the beauty and wonders of two of the most famous national parks. Yellowstone is our first park and contains more geysers than any place on earth. It also has widespread volcanic rocks and is the site of one of the world's super volcanoes, leading to three of the largest volcanic eruptions in recorded earth history. Then, of course the wildlife is abundant, and wild.

The Tetons record a fantastic alpine glacial history reflected in their beautiful, majestic mountain peaks. What a way to appreciate the glories of our natural earth.



SK FINE ARTS BOOSTERS PRESENT

TUNES & TACOS

THURSDAY, JUNE 8



5:30 - 8:30PM • PEACE DALE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

A night to celebrate SK Student Musicians and Artists. Events include musical performances, senior art show and raffle, 50/50 raffle, dinner & Brickley's Ice Cream sundae bar.

\$25: ADULTS
\$12: KIDS 10 & Under
FREE: KIDS 3 & Under

All proceeds support
music education for K-12 students in
the South Kingstown School District

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/tunes-tacos-tickets-631985594927>

SK Budget Referendum 6/6

An all-day Budget Referendum will be held on Tuesday, June 6th to vote on a petition to reduce the Town's Property Tax Transfer to the School Fund by \$1.5 million.

Voting will take place at the Community Recreation Center, 30 St. Dominic Road in Wakefield. The polls will be open from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM for those electors in the Town of South Kingstown qualified to vote in this Budget Referendum on one (1) petition to amend the Town Council's Final Budget adopted for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

Voters will either approve the Town Council's Adopted Budget, OR approve the petition to reduce the School Fund by \$1.5 million.

For more information about the referendum and how it's adoption could impact our South Kingstown schools click on this link on the [Social Justice Committee webpage](#).

Joanne is happy to discuss her thoughts on this.

Submitted by Joanne Haynes



Join us at Kingston Congregational Church

2610 Kingstown Road, Kingston, RI 02852

Sunday, 6:00 p.m.

April 30th

May 28th

June 25th

We are looking forward to offering warm hospitality to anyone in the community that is in need of a free, fresh-cooked meal.

Hope to see you there!
Questions, call our office:
401-783-5330



May Mission: Earthquake Relief for Turkey & Syria

This month we are partnering with our United Church of Christ (UCC) brothers and sisters to support the relief effort in response to the devastating 7.8 earthquake that shook the border region of Syria and Turkey on February 6th 2023. Much money has been pledged by the international community, but aid money has been slow in coming, and survivors are in desperate need of basic human necessities. This area was already vulnerable due to a prolonged refugee crisis and stresses caused by the ongoing war in Syria.

The UCC 's humanitarian relief organizations, Global Ministries and Global H.O.P.E. (Humanitarian. Opportunities. Progress. Empowerment.) are responding directly, as well as partnering with the ACT Alliance which is active in the region. They are currently providing food, blankets, medicine, clothing, and shelter in response to the immediate needs of those displaced. More information can be found at <https://www.ucc.org/what-we-do/wider-church-ministries/global-hope/>

Please support this effort by placing your donation in the mission basket during worship service; or donate directly by using the Donate Now button below or sending a check to the church office. All of our donations will be deposited into the International Emergency fund designated for "Turkey and Syria Earthquake Response". Your generous financial support will be used by our partners in the areas of greatest need, for relief and long-term recovery.

Thank you, The Missions Board

Give now



PDCC
Presents

PRISM OF PRAISE

COMMUNITY GOSPEL CHOIR

Many Colors, One Light



June 11th @ 4PM

261 Columbia St, Wakefield RI 02879

Suggested Donation : \$20

Proceeds will benefit Playground construction at
Champagne Heights and Fournier Estates

Neighbors Feeding Neighbors 3rd Annual Golf Tournament To Benefit the Peace Dale Dinner Table

Saturday, July 15th, 2023

Pinecrest Golf Course, Richmond, RI
8:00am Shotgun Start
Red, White, and Blue Best Ball Team

\$100.00 per person, includes:

18 holes of golf with a cart
Donuts and coffee at registration
Full Italian Buffet Dinner with dessert
Prizes for 1st and 2nd place teams
Closets to pin and longest drive prizes
Silent/live auction Items
Raffle



\$20 add-on **BONUS** option per person: (1) mulligan, (1) drop from the woods into fairway, (1) tee off from Red Tees, (1) mystery string (3 ft - 15 ft long to continue your shot towards the hole!) Entry into \$100.00 Cash putting contest!

The St. Francis of Assisi Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and the Peacedale Congregational Church will be sponsoring a Golf Tournament to help purchase food for the Peace Dale Dinner Table Program. Together, we have served more than 20,000 warm, nutritious meals this year! We need your support to be able to continue this much needed service throughout the winter. This program costs more than \$40,000 a year to run!

Registration fee:

___ \$100.00 per person. ___ Add on bonus, \$20.00 per person
___ Closest to Pin Sponsor: \$500.00. ___ Putting Contest Sponsor \$750.00
___ Longest drive Sponsor: \$ 250.00 ___ Tee Sponsor: \$150.00

For more information and to reserve your spot call:
Craig @ 401-477-6046 or email at doinggoodinc@icloud.com



United Against Hate Workshop *Identifying, Reporting and Preventing Acts of Hate*

Federal and local officials working with community members to discuss effective strategies to prevent and respond to hate crimes and incidents.

MAY 31st, 2023
4:30pm – 7:30pm
The Prout School
4640 Tower Hill Road
Wakefield, RI

Program Overview

1. Learn how to identify hate crimes and incidents
2. Understand the importance of reporting
3. Discuss strategies to prevent acts of hate

In collaboration with the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of South County, Tri-County Community Action Agency, South County Prevention Coalition, law enforcement and our community partners and friends.



Unitarian Universalist
Congregation of South County, RI



Tri-County
Community Action Agency



South County
Prevention Coalition
Member of Rhode Island Registered Cookbooks

Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/united-against-hate-tickets-615613916797>

To request interpreter services or reasonable accommodation, contact David Neill at david.neill@usdoj.gov or Wendy Fenner-Aubin at wfenner-aubin@tricountyri.org.

www.justice.gov/hatecrimes

Gift Cards with a Kick



RaiseRight
Formerly ShopWithScrip

You get a card for the full amount and every retailer gives money back to the church for the money you spend.

Use RaiseRight to buy your Groceries and support PDCC at the same time. In support of Stewardship in Action, if you buy a \$100 grocery card on Sunday you will contribute \$4 - \$10 back to the church. No extra money out of your pocket – buy from us before you shop and help bridge the gap in the deficit.

RaiseRight is not *just* for gifts – **use cards for your own personal shopping** of groceries and prescriptions. Remember your reusable bags and gift cards in your everyday shopping trips.

- RaiseRight (formerly SCRIP) table sales are available on Sundays in Fellowship Hall after worship.
- Cards in stock include:
Belmont (\$25 & \$100), Dave's (\$100), Shaw's (\$25 & \$100), Stop & Shop (\$25 & \$100), CVS (\$25), Walgreen's (\$25), Amazon (\$25 & \$100), Applebee's (\$25), Brickley's Ice Cream (\$5), Dunkin' (\$10 & \$25), Marshall's (\$25), Matunuck Oyster Bar (\$50), Old Mountain Lanes (\$25), Panera (\$10 & \$25), Starbucks (\$10 & \$25), Walmart (\$25).



Brickley's is open for the season!! We have \$5 gift cards. Brickley's is giving us a 20% rebate.

Questions? Contact Deb Shaw at dkshaw5@cox.net or stop by the table on Sunday after worship.



Prayer Matters

*The Congregation's prayers are requested for
The family of Barry Keinard.*

Bruce Metivier (brother and brother-in-law of Herc Herchenroether and Renée Lamontagne) who is battling cancer, COPD, and lingering symptoms of RSV.

To build fellowship and make full use of the congregational power of prayer, we offer this Prayer Matters space to allow members of our community to lift up their names and requests for prayer. This adds to the opportunities for congregants to lift up their prayers during Sunday service, and to request the care of the [Prayer Circle](#) that gathers every Tuesday morning or of our [Called to Care](#) ministry.

How to share your prayer

You may choose to use all or any combination of: Joys & Concerns on Sunday morning, Prayer Circle ministry, Called to Care ministry, and the new Prayer Matters section of the newsletter.

- To lift up your prayer during **Sunday Service**, simply raise your hand, voice your joy or concern and then say, "this is my prayer"; the congregation responds "this is our prayer". Prayer requests made during Sunday service are shared aloud with those in attendance.
- To request the care of **Prayer Circle**, submit the [online form](#) or call the church office at (401) 789-7313. These requests are shared only with members of this group.
- To request the support of our [Called to Care](#) ministry team, call the church office at (401) 789-7313 or contact Rene Lamontagne at her number found in Breeze. These requests are shared only with members of this group.
- To request your prayer be included in the published **Prayer Matters** in the weekly E-Light, send email to office@peacedalechurch.org or call the church office at (401) 789-7313 (leave message for MaryLou).

Shalom, Pastor Fred

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