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Last Week's E-Light

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Lions!

Daniel 6:1-28

Do you ever feel like your problems are all consuming? Do you ever feel as though you are in the lion's den? Do you know of others who are facing big challenges in their lives? This Sunday, during our Family Worship Service, we will ponder Daniel and some challenges he faced. Additionally, we will consider the character of our God and what that could mean for us as well as for others.

We will also officially welcome a couple of **NEW MEMBERS** into our faith family, so I invite you to come if you can, and help us extend an extravagant welcome to them, and to all you greet on Sunday morning. I'll see you soon!

Peace and Joy, Brother Fred



Worship Flowers



The flowers of November 23 are given to the glory of God by Vivian Skipper in loving memory of George Skipper.

Flowers are a beautiful way to remember a loved one, celebrate a special occasion, or simply give to the glory of God. If you are interested in donating Sanctuary flowers, please contact Lynn McCall 401-742-3949.



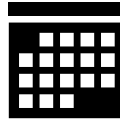
Membership Notes

James Badger died earlier this week. A Celebration of Life will be held at Peace Dale Congregational Church on **Saturday**,

November 29 @ 1:00 pm. Jim's obituary may be found on fagan-quinnpatrickquinnfuneralsandcremations.com/obituaries/James-H-Badger?obId=46400371

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Saturday, Nov. 22
 @ 5-8pm Youth
 Group Friendsgiving

Sunday, Nov. 23 @
 10am Family
 Worship; New
 Members at worship

Saturday, Nov. 29
 @ 1pm Memorial
 Service for James
 Badger

Sunday, Nov. 30 @
 10am Traditional
 Worship

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

Tuesdays @ 9:30am Prayer
 Warriors / Prayer Circle

Tuesdays @ 6:30pm AA
 Meeting

Tuesdays @ 6:30pm Bell
 Choir rehearsals

Thursdays @ 6pm
 Contemporary Choir reh.

Thursdays @ 7:30pm
 Traditional Choir rehearsal

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS 2025 ORDER FORM



If you wish to donate Christmas poinsettias to decorate our church sanctuary for the Advent season, please complete this order form and return it to the church (office or offering plate) with your payment by **December 7th**. The suggested donation is \$16 per plant. Following Christmas Services, poinsettias will be delivered to our members who are homebound, members who are over age 85, and those who recently suffered a loss. If you would enjoy delivering your plant yourself, please indicate below to whom you will be taking it.

Given by: _____

Given in: _____ Celebration of _____

_____ Memory of _____

_____ Honor of _____

What would you like to happen to your plants?

☐ I want to take the plant home with me

☐ I will deliver the plant (to whom? _____)

☐ I want someone else to deliver it (to an elder, homebound, other)

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

The Christmas Bazaar 12/6! *Now 2 weeks away*

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR THIS YEAR'S BAZAAR



We need your help! Making and/or selling baked goods, Making and/or selling soups. Selling jewelry. Making and/or selling cookies for the Cookie stroll.

Selling raffle tickets, Making and/or selling greens. There will be **sign-up sheets in Fellowship Hall** after service on Sundays.

If you would like to help and cannot sign up on Sundays contact Carol Edwards @ caedwards760@ gmail.com or call 783-2713 – home 212-0419 – cell.

White Elephants



Thank you donors, so many great items have arrived. **It would be helpful if you could hold donations of any non-Christmas items now until 2026.** Fri. 11/21 (10

– 11:30 AM) is our last workday to prep items.

Please – consider joining the camaraderie on **SUNDAY, 11/30** as we set up the tables and bring up the W.E. treasures. We have items that aren't too heavy. Dress comfortably.

FINAL WORKDAYS ARE:

- Mon. 12/1 @ 3 to 5 PM
- Tues. 12/2 @ 10 – 11:30 AM
- Wed. 12/3 @ 9:30 – 11 AM
- Thurs, 12/4 @ 10 AM– noon
- Fri. 12/5 @ 2:30 – 4 PM

BAZAAR DAY SAT. 12/6 Still need at least 6 more folks for the day of the bazaar – 3 Sessions or all day:

- 8:45 – 11:30 AM and/or
- 11:30 – 2:15 PM;
- Clean Up 1:30 – 3:45 PM.

Jane.stabile@ outlook.com to volunteer.

Bakers, Start Your Ovens

Please join us in making the Bake Sale Table and the Cookie Stroll Table at the annual Christmas Bazaar a huge success. We need to stock both.

DELIVER If possible please plan to deliver your baked goods to the church Friday 12/5 before 7pm and label "Bazaar". Also label if the item has nuts or is gluten-free.

BAKE TABLE: Assorted items include bar cookies, large cut out cookies, cakes, pies, yeast & quick breads, candy, jams & jellies, snack foods (trail mix, frosted pretzels, etc.)

COOKIE STROLL: Needs small to medium-size cookies that will fit into coffee cans. **WE CAN ALWAYS USE MORE COFFEE CANS.**

Lynn McCall (401-742-3949) and Priscilla Archambault

Soup! Soup! Soup!



Please help

us make the Christmas Bazaar a success.

MAKE SOUP: We love the yummy soups you make to sell at the Bazaar. Signup sheet in fellowship hall.

We also need volunteers to heat, serve and clean up on Saturday 12/6.

QUESTIONS? Christine Grevstad 516 694-9154

Do Your Pruning Nov 29-30

This church's Bazaar has a reputation for selling the loveliest and *fresh*



wreaths and arrangements *because* you are waiting until November 29-30 to prune your evergreens. Deliver your greens to the porch outside of Fellowship Hall from 11/29 on. Thank you!

Let's Make Greens – Workshops See next page for details →

Keep our tradition alive making beautiful arrangements and wreaths:

Monday, December 1 @ 9am-4pm

Tuesday, December 2 @ 9am-4pm

Wednesday, December 3 @ 9am-8pm

Thursday, December 4 @ 9am-2pm

Let's Make Greens – Workshops

Would you like to help make beautiful wreaths and centerpieces for the Christmas Bazaar? No experience necessary...we will guide you! Just join the **Greens Gang** in Fellowship Hall at one (or more) of our workshops:

Monday, December 1 @ 9am-4pm

Tuesday, December 2 @ 9am-4pm

Wednesday, December 3 @ 9am-8pm

Thursday, December 4 @ 9am-2pm



Bring clippers and wear warm clothes and sturdy shoes as our greens are outside. This is a wonderful fellowship opportunity. You can even bring a friend! Get your creative juices

flowing and get in the Christmas spirit! We hope to see you at the Greens Gang Workshops.

If you have any questions you can call/text Linda Redmond at 401-793-0522.

Blessings, Chairs Cindy Fish, Jeanette Gamache,
Linda Redmond

Gratitude Tree



There is a wood Gratitude Tree outside the church office with tags for this partnership with **Jonnycake Center**, and a tree in the Narthex. Take a tag to purchase items to benefit the children of South County.

OR see Deb Shaw and crew at the **RAISE RIGHT** table after Sunday service. They have a tree, too. Gift cards to Marshall's, Amazon, Visa/Mastercard, Walmart, CVS and Wakefield Mall Retailers.

You can bring gifts to church and hand to Gabby or leave items in the red box next to the church office. Gabby will collect items at least 4 times a week.

GIFT CARDS in an envelope labeled "Gratitude Tree" can be handed to Gabby or to MaryLou in the office, or put in the offering plate on Sunday.

If you are out of town during this time, please feel free to send a check made out to PDCC and in the memo section write "Gratitude Tree". We will make sure to purchase a gift from you with this money.

DEADLINE is no later than **December 11th**, when all the much-needed gift and gift cards will be brought to the Jonnycake Center for Hope.

QUESTIONS:
call/text Gabby
at 401 932-8350



Come Sing or Ring with Us!



Our singers welcome you! Rehearsals are Thursday 6pm for Praise Team and 7:30pm for Traditional Choir.

Our bell ringers welcome you! Teenagers on up in age. Ability to read music is a plus. Practice Tuesdays @ 6:30pm.



Ask a choir member after worship or send an email to office@peacedalechurch.org

Once-a-Month Singers –11/23

We're back and joining in for the next Family Service. Our emphasis is on enthusiasm. You do not have to read music. To practice ahead, we'll supply a video, lyrics and usually the music for each song. Only one optional rehearsal at 9 AM before the service. Come meet Dan Monte, our new music director and join us for a fun singing experience.

CONTACT jane.stabile@outlook.com

SK Police Give to Dinner Table

Our local South Kingstown police sponsored a no-shave November fundraiser and the union matched the funds raised to make a donation to the Peace Dale Dinner Table of \$1,300. Thank you to our SK police for their contributions!



Jonnycake Food Market Thank You

A HUGE thank you to everyone who added food to the bin for Jonnycake. Cassia delivered a car full of food from the congregation to Jonnycake in the beginning of November, right after the suspension of SNAP funding during the government shutdown. We are so grateful to the congregation for supporting her first ever food drive and for rallying for Jonnycake in this critical time!



Social Justice in Action

For THIS WEEK'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

Join PDCC Green Team!

For anyone, of all ages, interested in learning more about the "Green Team", please contact George Faucher at glfaucher@gmail.com and/or Don Hermes at dhermes33@gmail.com



Volunteer for Bistro Dinner Table on Tuesdays



Bistro sit-down community dinners in Fellowship Hall on Tuesdays at 4:30pm!

At this time, we really have a **need for additional volunteers** for the Bistro. It **does not need to be an every-week commitment**.

The Bistro serves approximately 35 guests at tables, much like a restaurant. We need help to prepare and cook the meal, prepare salads, serve patrons (salad, dinner, dessert, coffee and tea), as well as cleanup and dishwashing. We also have a volunteer to make individual desserts. If you can help out, or are interested, but want more information, please contact Cynthia Cherney (or the Church Office at office@peacedalechurch.org 401 789-7313).

Congregational Care: Caring for Others

WE NEED YOU! Congregational care has always been one of the most important missions of Peace Dale Congregational Church and we need you. There are three ways you can enhance this very important part of our church family's mission:

1. **JOIN.** Join the Prayer Circle (meets every Tuesday morning at 9:30 a.m. in the church's community lounge on the third floor) or the Prayer Shawl Group that meets once a month (Carol Edwards is there to teach knitting and crocheting if you want to learn).
2. **DO.** If you can help with any of the following efforts to provide a special sense of support or just a caring thought, please let us know:
 - send cards,
 - make phone calls,
 - deliver flowers or prayer shawl,
 - visit someone.
3. **SHARE.** Let someone on Prayer Circle (listed below) know of anyone you think could use prayers, a prayer shawl, a card, a phone call, or a visit, so we can fulfill a thoughtful caring gesture. Prayers can also be requested in church during Joys and Concerns or using the colorful pew cards; or through the [online form](#) on our website.

LET US KNOW! Sometimes we do not hear about folks who could use a special extra touch of caring; please let us know if you need our caring.

Shalom with love, Prayer Circle

Linda Jeans (LTJeans@ verizon.net), Carol Edwards (caedwards760@ gmail.com), Joanne Haynes (joanne@ haynesrandj.com), Betsy Nelson (betsynelson10@ verizon.net), Paula Campbell (phedbat9@gmail.com), Norma Brooks, Darlene Hermes (dhermes44@ gmail.com), Christine Grevstad (christinegrevstad@ hotmail.com), Bea MacGregor (bmacgregor47@ gmail.com), Thomas Mather, Laura Lehrman (lauralehrmankelly@ gmail.com), Claudia Swain, Cindy Fish (cbfish0171@ gmail.com), Enid Watson (watsonenid@ gmail.com), and Pastor Fred (fred.e@ mac.com).

Donate Supplies for Church World Service Kits

Please help us collect supplies! With the help of our congregation, Women's Fellowship has continued to increase the number of kits we make each year. Kits are sent to areas where natural disasters have occurred. Please add these items to your shopping lists and leave them in boxes provided in Fellowship Hall. We have found these items in Job Lot, Wal-Mart and Dollar Tree.

Thank you for your help in making another successful year supporting this world-wide mission.

Supplies needed

SCHOOL KIT

- Rounded tip scissors
- Three 70-count bound notebooks
- 12 inch ruler
- Hand-held pencil sharpener
- Large eraser
- Six pencils
- 24 pack crayons



HYGIENE KIT

- Hand towel
- Wash cloth
- Wide-tooth comb
- Fingernail or toenail clipper
- Bath-size bar of soap in wrapper
- Toothbrush in original package
- Ten standard size band-aids



We also need handmade cotton bags w/cloth handles for School Kits. Sally Bradley has the pattern.

Submitted by Judy Healy

Would You Like to Serve @ PDCC?



This is **an opportunity to come to the table and share your talents to serve your church.** It takes many of us to help PDCC fulfill our mission of "Called by Christ to create Shalom and Justice for all". Scripture encourages serving in the church as a way to show love, use spiritual gifts, and honor God. Not a member yet? You can still be involved with a committee.

Do you love to help children learn? Are you inspired by Music? Are you passionate about worship? Do you love to show hospitality to others? We currently have opportunities to serve on the **Christian Education, Music, Hospitality/Church Family Life, and Deacons Boards.** Please prayerfully and thoughtfully consider saying "yes" when asked to serve.

Local Events Listing

Please email any non-political event info/listings you would like included here to [jane.stabile@ outlook.com](mailto:jane.stabile@outlook.com)
Flyers welcome

Sat., 11/22, 9 AM – 2 PM, St. Francis of Assisi Holiday Bazaar at the Father Grennan Center behind the church at 114 High St., Wakefield with a silent auction, bake sale, over 20 vendors, and a cafe!

NEW. Sat 11/22 from 8 AM – 12 PM, Arbutus Garden Club Holiday Sale at St. James Parish Center, 2079 Matunuck Schoolhouse Rd., Charlestown with fresh arrangements, wreaths, ornaments, holiday décor & more. Proceeds support scholarship fund.
<https://charlestowncitizens.org/2025/11/11/arbutus-garden-club-holiday-sale/>

NEW Sat.11/22, 9 AM – 3 PM, Mariner Marketplace at Narragansett High School, 245 South Pier Rd. with over 60 artists & vendors displaying gifts, holiday decor, crafts, artisan jewelry, health & wellness, photography, books, ornaments, wreaths, food and more.
<https://www.facebook.com/p/Mariner-Marketplace-NHS-PTO-61564714409742/>

NEW Sat.11/22 from 10 AM – 4 PM; Sun. 11/23 from 11 AM – 3 PM RI Christmas Festival at West Warwick Civic Center with over 150 handcrafters, artisans, authors, artists and small businesses! Plus, music, entertainment and food trucks!
https://www.facebook.com/events/1845036766233314?active_tab=about

NEW Sat.11/29, 1 – 5 PM, Annual Lights in The Village on Main St. and Saugatucket Park, downtown Wakefield with a tree lighting, caroling, Santa, carriage rides, kids' crafts, live nativity with goats & donkeys, fire safety & Touch-A-Truck, hot chocolate & food drive.
<https://www.visitrhodeisland.com/event/annual-lights-in-the-village/107744/>

NEW Sat. 12/6 from 10 AM to 4 PM, Holiday Street Faire & Artisan Barn at 170 Clarke Rd., Narragansett featuring many talented artists, food makers, crafters, and small businesses.
<https://narragansettcoc.com/event-calendar/holiday-faire/>

NEW Sat. 12/6 from 10 AM to 4 PM & Sun. 12/7 from 10 AM to 3 PM, Bosgraaf Stained Glass Studio's 10th Annual Holiday Sale, featuring original glass works from over 60 student artists. Attendees receive a complimentary hot chocolate and raffle prize entry. Gooseneck Vineyards is hosting a wine tasting on site from 1pm-3pm. A portion of proceeds go to benefit the Jonnycake Youth Center in Peace Dale.
<https://www.bosgraafstudio.com/10th-annual-art-sale-hot-chocolate-happening/>

November Mission of the Month: Church World Service

Our mission offering in November will be directed to Church World Service (CWS), a faith-based organization supporting communities around the globe through just and sustainable responses to hunger, poverty, displacement and disaster. CWS is active in more than 30 countries globally in Africa, Asia, Europe, and North and South America.

CWS's work began in 1946, in the devastating aftermath of the Second World War, when a combination of seventeen denominations came together to form an agency with a mission to "feed the hungry, clothe the naked, heal the sick, comfort the aged, and shelter the homeless." CWS has worked ever since with a goal of building a world where there is enough for all. They have welcomed thousands of refugees into our communities, helped countless families put food on the table and lifted the voices of people who have been left out. Through their Immigration and Refugee Program CWS has helped to resettled over half a million refugees.

CWS builds long-term programs into their disaster response work to make sure that families would not just recover but thrive. Today their food security, water, sanitation, hygiene, health and livelihood programs focus on everything from crop diversification in Honduras to renewable energy in Bosnia to water access at health posts in Myanmar.

Examples of success stories abound. In Algeria, North Africa, volunteers worked for four years planting 20 million forest and fruit trees to anchor the soil against nature's persistent erosion. In India, CWS volunteers helped villages construct reservoirs, dig wells, and lay irrigations systems to combat drought and increase food production.

Blankets, Seeds, and Tools is an example of programs where CWS works in partnership to assist people in the world's poorest countries to find effective ways of tackling poverty and injustice. Seeds and tools are an investment in a food supply that the needy can count on.

In November 2020, hurricanes Eta and Iota hit Central America. One of the most affected countries was Honduras. Alongside their partners, CWS helped 102 families rebuild their lost homes through their Housing with Dignity program.

Whether it is a natural disaster, like the hurricane in Jamaica, or a humanitarian one like the situation in Haiti, CWS works with their partners around the world to meet the ever-present needs.

More information about Church World Service is available at their website

<https://cwsglobal.org/>

Give now

Thank you for your generosity,
The Missions Board



www.peacedalechurch.org/missions

The PDCC Missions Board has chosen to support the Church World Service with your Mission of the Month donations in November. Donate by 1) placing your gift in the Missions basket during Sunday service, 2) sending a check to the church office @ 261 Columbia Street, Peace Dale, RI 02879, **Checks should be made out to PDCC with "CWS" in the memo line** or 3) clicking the **Give now** button here to donate online (peacedalechurch.org/ways-to-give).

Tabitha's Closet

Open Saturdays 9:30am–12:30pm

At this time, we particularly need:

- Volunteers for Friday 3-5pm to sort
- Volunteers Saturday mornings 9:00am-1:00pm

Tabitha's Closet, PDCC's clothing ministry, offers new and gently-used clothing for affordable suggested donations. **Get what you need, pay what you can.**

DONATIONS We are taking fall and winter items for men, women, and children.

We ask that clothing donations be laundered and delivered in a clean bag, as we don't have a washer/dryer. We happily accept current-season clothing: shirts, pants, skirts, dresses, shorts, sweaters, sweatshirts, coats, hats, gloves for children and adults, belts, purses, costume jewelry. We accept shoes that are new or lightly-used. See peacedalechurch.org for a list of what we do and do not accept.

VOLUNTEER!! We would love more volunteers! If you would like to help sort clothes, staff this effort, or do marketing, please contact gsfaucher@gmail.com or lynnehandayan@gmail.com

LATEST UPDATES on Instagram
[#shoptabithascloset](https://www.instagram.com/shoptabithascloset).



Gift Cards with a Kick



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 **gift cards** for teachers, service providers, and family.

Use RaiseRight to buy **cards for your own personal shopping** of groceries, etc. Remember your reusable bags and gift cards in your everyday shopping trips.

- RaiseRight 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 (\$20), Dunkin' (\$10 & \$25), Marshall's (\$25), Matunuck Oyster Bar (\$50), Old Mountain Lanes (\$25), Panera (\$10 & \$25), Starbucks (\$10 & \$25), Walmart (\$25).

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



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