



# The Scribe

November 2016



## A Thankful Spirit

As the children came forward on a recent Sunday, I held up a lunch box and asked the kids to play a game with me. Years ago I learned a game about going on a picnic. The way the game went was, you would say, your name and then something you wanted to bring on the picnic. But there is a trick to it. If I say, “My name is Wayne,” the thing I will bring on the picnic has to start with the same letter as my name. For me that is easy. I said, “My name is Wayne and I will bring watermelon.” Before service, I gave my game a test run. Mark Storm was opening the church on a Sunday morning, and when he poked his head in my office and saw my lunch box, he asked about it. So I said, “My name is Wayne and I’m going on a picnic. I’m bringing a watermelon.” I asked if Mark wanted to join me on my picnic. With a big smile he said, “My name is Mark and I’m bringing meatloaf.” Mark got it.

Once the kids understood, I shifted it just a bit. I said instead of a picnic, I wanted them to think of something they were thankful for. But the same rules had to apply. I had recently seen a beautiful picture on Luba’s calendar of Horseshoe Falls in Shannock. So I told the kids, “My name is Wayne and I’m thankful for waterfalls.” Of course as a preacher, I had to embellish it a bit. I said I’m thankful for wet, wild, and wonderful waterfalls. Grace was watching all this from her piano, so I told the kids I thought Grace might be thankful for her grand piano. Indeed we are all thankful for that grand piano. (After service Grace also told me she is thankful for goat cheese. Yum.) As the kids and members of the congregation joined the fun, Kathy Koziol recorded each thanksgiving and I now have a supply of thank you notes. Here are just a few.

Jack is thankful for jokes...Ella is thankful for elephants...Linda is thankful for love...Dode is thankful for dogs and donuts...Charlie is thankful for church...Maisy and Martha were both thankful for their moms...and as I said about Julie, she is thankful for just about everything.

The next day was Columbus Day and since it was a holiday, we lounged around and I watched one of the early news programs. It just so happened that there was a story about someone who wrote a very special thank you note. It was such a meaningful thank you note it appeared in the New York Times. The story is so tender it will break your heart, but in a real way it demonstrates just how comforting and healing a word of thanks can be.

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Laura Levis died at just 34 years of age after suffering a devastating asthma attack. Her husband, Boston-based writer Peter Demarco, put his thanks into a letter he sent to the staff at CHA Cambridge Hospital in Boston, where his wife spent her final days. The grieving husband wrote: "As I begin to tell my friends and family about the seven days you treated my wife, Laura Levis, in what turned out to be the last days of her young life, they stop me at about the 15th name that I recall," he wrote. "The list includes the doctors, nurses, respiratory specialists, social workers, even cleaning staff members who cared for her. 'How do you remember any of their names?' they ask. 'How could I not,' I respond. Every single one of you treated Laura with such professionalism, and kindness, and dignity as she lay unconscious." The thanks include allowing up to fifty people to gather in her room to sing together and say their goodbyes. He expresses a special gratitude to two nurses who moved his wife's body to one side of her bed so he could be by her side one final time.

There was lots of laughter as we played our thanksgiving game that Sunday morning. There have been countless tears as people read the thank you note Peter DeMarco wrote to the ones who gave such gentle care to his wife in her final days. Giving thanks brings out the best in us as human beings. It brings out the joy. It touches the most fragile places in our hearts. Our thanksgiving to God covers the full spectrum of emotion as we express our gladness and as we bow in humble gratitude before a God who loves us so much that He would give His beloved Son so that we might have life. I pray that a spirit wells up within us, causing us to treasure each and every moment, each and every relationship, each and every blessing, and each and every tear. I pray that a spirit wells up within us, overflowing in words of gentleness, gratitude, thoughtfulness, and yes, a spirit of thanksgiving. Thanks be to God!

Wayne

**Come celebrate the beginning of Advent**  
**Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**  
**Fellowship Hall**

- Light lunch
- Advent wreath making
- Christmas Tree ornament craft
- Christmas cards for shut-ins and friends of the Church
- Christmas Caroling and music by the Community Church Ringers



**All are welcome to participate. Please sign up on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall.**

**T**he **Christmas Bazaar** is almost here — **Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>**—and we are in need of people to sign up to donate the following items:

- **Raffle** (acknowledgement letters for donations are available in Fellowship Hall at the Holiday Bazaar table).
- **Gift certificates** are welcome for the raffle; please bring to the Church Office.
- Items for **gift baskets**; choose a theme.
- **Make** baked goods, luncheon items, and cookies for the *Cookie Walk*. **These items should be brought to the Bazaar before 9 a.m. on Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>.**
- If you are crafty and wish to donate your crafts, we would appreciate your items. Please bring your items to the bins in Fellowship Hall.



**B**efore you do a fall cleanup in your garden, we will be collecting the following **greens** the week of Thanksgiving no later than Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup>. Items may be left in the Church yard between the Meeting House and the tool shed.

- Pine boughs
- Boxwood
- Juniper boughs
- Laurel
- Holly
- Arborvitae
- Blue spruce
- Dried grasses
- Blue berried juniper
- Golden cypress
- Andromeda
- Rhododendron
- Winterberry
- Variegated euonymus
- Red or yellow twig dogwood branches
- Rose hops
- Hydrangea blooms



**W**reath-making workshops will be held in Fellowship Hall:

- Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup> through Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> from noon to 7 p.m.
- **Exception:** Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup> from noon to 5 p.m.

We encourage all to come and help with making wreaths.

We are also in need of volunteers to sell wreaths on Saturday and Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. Wreaths will be available for purchase in the lower parking lot from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>.

## Christmas Bazaar *continued . . .*

Please consider **donating** the following by bringing these items to the Church Office:

- Gently used jewelry
- Vintage gloves and hats
- Dresser top sets: mirrors, hair brushes, etc.
- Vintage hankies

We need **twelve (12) card tables** for the Christmas Bazaar. Please put your name on your table and drop it off in Fellowship Hall on Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>.

Items for **re-gifting** are needed. Gently used items can be put in the boxes in the back of Fellowship Hall labeled "re-gifting."

**Our next Christmas Bazaar meeting is Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. in the Choir Room.**



### **THANKSGIVING**

## Diamonds (70+) Luncheon

**Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>**

11:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary  
12 p.m. Luncheon in Fellowship Hall

**Menu:** Turkey dinner and pumpkin pie.

Sign up on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall or call the Church Office at (401) 322-0655; let us know if you need a ride.

## Diamonds Among Us!

**We extend our birthday wishes to:**

- 🕯️ Robin Johnson on November 10<sup>th</sup>;
- 🕯️ Nancy Schmidt on November 16<sup>th</sup>;
- 🕯️ Walentyna Kohut on November 21<sup>st</sup>;
- 🕯️ Barbara Sullivan on November 21<sup>st</sup>
- 🕯️ Sam Pierson on November 25<sup>th</sup>;
- 🕯️ Joyce Robertson on November 27<sup>th</sup>.



Diamonds (70 and beyond), please contact the Church Office at (401) 322-0655 or sign up on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall and add your name to our list.

# NOVEMBER 2016 SABBATH DAY WORSHIP

Sundays at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Sanctuary

## Sunday, November 6

### *Celebration of Holy Communion*

Sermon: *Stand Firm*

Text: “Stand firm and hold to the teachings we passed on to you . . .”  
—2 Thessalonians 2:15

Epistle: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

## Sunday, November 13

Sermon: *Blessed by the Lord*

Text: “They will not toil in vain or bear children doomed to misfortune; for they will be a people blessed by the Lord, they and their descendants with them.” —Isaiah 65:23

Old Testament: Isaiah 65:17-25

## Sunday, November 20

### *Thanksgiving Sunday*

Sermon: *Give Thanks*

Text: “Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name.” —Psalm 100:4

Psalter: Psalm 100

## Sunday, November 27

### *First Sunday in Advent*

Sermon: *The Mountain of the Lord*

Text: “In the last days the mountain of the Lord’s temple will be established as chief among mountains; it will be raised above the hills, and all nations will stream to it.” —Isaiah 2:2

Old Testament: Isaiah 2:1-5

## Honoring Our Veterans



### **Veterans Day**

On Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup> the congregation will honor those men and women who have served God and country in the military. If you are a veteran or know a veteran (those among us formerly a member of the armed forces) and the name is not on our list, please call the Church Office at (401) 322-0655 or e-mail at [clerk@dcccpc.necoxmail.com](mailto:clerk@dcccpc.necoxmail.com) by Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Christopher Abate	Todd Geehan	George Ley	Donald Phillips
Stephan Abate	Samuel Gavitt	Bruce Loeckler	Anthony Ribeiro
Charlie Allen	Ted Glasson	Don MacLean	H. Victor Rickman
Rob Brodie	David Greene	Bob Mahl	Bill Shiller
Robert Chapman	Dennis Hemphill	Jean Mase	Norm Steadman
Arnie Cole	Lawrence Hurrell	Bill Mason	Mark Stepanishen
Patrick Cullen	Dale Hurst	Bill McCauley	Bertram Sullivan
Hal Drurey	Jesse Johnson, Jr.	Erick Michaud	Ed Thomas
Zelda Earle	Jonathan Johnson	Wanda Miner	Raymond E. Thomsen
Larry Fortin	Charlie Kerns	Keith Moody	Janis Vancans
Harvey Fugere	Norm Lagerstrom	Gordon Oates	Frank Williams

**Remember:** On Veterans Day we honor the living veterans. On Memorial Day we honor those that are deceased.

### ***Coach Mike's Corner . . .***

Our Fall programming is off to a great start! Teen Time takes place every Tuesday evening from 6 to 8 p.m. During our sessions we do a variety of activities including group discussions, Bible study, celebrity role model interviews, planning sessions, sports, games, and more.

On Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup> our teens hosted *Monster Mash* for God's Path Seekers from 6 to 8 p.m.

We are also excited to announce that we will be partnering with the Michael Walton Foundation to host *Speak Out to Reach Out* in January of 2017! After the success of last years program we are very much looking forward to impacting our youth community once again!

As always, thank you for your support. Our Teen Team is open to all youth in grades 6 through 12!





# Thanksgiving Sunday

November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015

## Thanksgiving Communion Table Offerings

Bring your offerings of fresh fruits, vegetables, nuts, pumpkins, and squash **by Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.** and place them beside the Communion Table in the Sanctuary. All food items will be taken to the WARM Center after Worship on Sunday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>.

### Buildings and Grounds:

1. The siding has been completed and the staging is down.
2. The cap stones for the new sign have been ordered and are on site.
3. The jungle gym for the ELC is to be moved.
4. A new thermostat is going to be installed in the Choir Room.
5. Striping for the parking lot is to occur.
6. Set up for the Christmas Bazaar will begin on the Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>.



—Mike Turco, Elder Buildings and Grounds

**Presbyterian Women** met on Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup> and continued planning and setting goals for the rest of the year. We have undertaken many projects. The project for October was creating ornaments for the Christmas Bazaar. Diana Clark taught our group how to make folded hearts that would look beautiful on any tree. She also came with mini-kits that we could take home and create, which included all the needed materials for the finished product including cut-out felt, embroidery floss, needles, and even stuffing. She is a very organized and patient teacher and we certainly appreciated having her and her co-worker, Sally Lawlor.



Presbyterian Women plans to support the Bazaar in other ways as well. **We are collecting items for two gift baskets.** One will be a basket with items that grandparents might be able to share with grandchildren such as books, puzzles, and arts and crafts materials. **Anne Fletcher is the contact for children's books ages 3-6: popular and classic books, new or almost new. E-mail: fletcher867@yahoo.com**

The other is a coffee and chocolate lover's basket. **Jan Loffredo is the contact person for coffee and chocolate. E-mail: jmloffredo@cox.net**

At our meeting on Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup> we plan to cover the coffee cans that were donated for the Christmas Bazaar *Cookie Walk*. Other ways that you could contribute will be listed in the Sunday bulletin. We look forward to seeing you on the 14<sup>th</sup>!

# Mission Driven—Serving the Community

## Annual Reverse Offering for Jonnycake Center:

In support of Jonnycake Center's Thanksgiving baskets, please bring the following items to Fellowship Hall **by Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>**. We need 450 of each.

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| Jiffy© corn bread boxes                    | stuffing mix            |
| Cans of gravy                              | cans of cranberry sauce |
| Brownie mixes or cake and cans of frosting |                         |



***Pancakes-for-a-Purpose*** Family Housing Support to end homelessness has worked in collaboration with the WARM Center to provide families and their children with emergency housing to meet their most basic needs. Please join us on the following Sundays to enjoy a good breakfast for a great cause. Good-will donations for breakfast are accepted.



- **Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>** from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Cross Mills Baptist Church, 4403 Old Post Road, Charlestown.
- **Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>** from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.

***Pancakes-for-a-Purpose for Family Housing Support*** October breakfasts that were held at Cross Mills Baptist Church of the Holy Spirit in Charlestown and Dunn's Corners Church have raised over \$22,000!

- **Habitat for Humanity:** Mission donated \$3,500 to purchase new windows for a rehab house in Westerly.
- **Presbyterian Disaster Relief:** \$2000 for Louisiana flood victims. We also collected cleaning supplies, and personal care items and delivered them to Clean Louisiana truck in Charlestown.
- **Haitian Health Foundation:** Jeremie, Haiti was decimated by Hurricane Matthew. Haitian Health Foundation—main health center—is in Jeremie and is functioning for the hospital overflow. Cholera is breaking out and some of the remote villages are inaccessible except by foot (14hours ). High death toll in some of the villages. We have sent an immediate donation of \$2,000 for medicine and water purification kits. We will be looking to offer more help with the devastation.
- Mission will be **donating** to three local food pantries for holiday baskets.



Want assistance accessing your health records?  
Need help creating a Personal Advance Care Plan?

*Janie Appleseed Network Can Help!*

Lisa Nelson created the Janie Appleseed Network to provide health literacy education and services to consumers. We are a nonprofit organization that can:

- Help you access information available to you in the Patient Portals offered by care providers.
- Provide resources that help your family have “the conversation” about end of life preferences and show you how to document your choices without the expense of a lawyer.
- Teach you how to avoid costly charges for copies of your medical records and reduce delays associated with waiting to get your health data.
- Show you how to eliminate the need to log into a Patient Portal to receive your health data.
- Connect you with the efforts to make consumer-controlled personal health records a reality.

**Would you like to talk with Lisa to learn more about how you can gather and manage your personal health records?**

**Would you like to find out more about WHY consumers need to begin keeping track of their own personal health data?**

**Lisa can help with concerns you may have about using a computer to manage your health and care.**

----- **I’m Interested! Please Contact Me** -----

Name:	<input type="text"/>	Phone:	<input type="text"/>
e-mail:	<input type="text"/>		

**For more information contact:**

**Lisa Nelson: (401) 219-1165; LNelson@JanieAppleseed.org**

**T**hank you to all who participated in the DCCCP photo directory thus far (we are not done yet, but getting closer!). I especially want to thank members and friends who had their pictures taken, those who assisted with booking appointments on Sundays from May through August, and those who assisted with checking in members and friends for appointments in July, August, and September. Special thanks to the Membership and Evangelism Committee: Art and Pam Ganz, Sandi Dinwoodie, Cheryl Ferris, Rachel Pierson, Mimi Yu, and Pastor Wayne for your help, suggestions, and dedication! —Tina Chapman, Chairperson, Membership and Evangelism

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**Dunn's Corners**  
**Community Church**



**Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

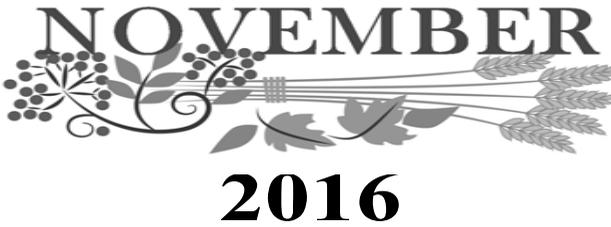
**9 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

**Luncheon**

served from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

<b>Bake Sale</b>	<b>Baskets</b>	<b>Cookie Walk</b>	<b>Crafts</b> (handmade scarves, hats, 18" doll clothes)
<b>Dried Fruits and Nuts</b>	<b>Gourmet Gift Jars</b>	<b>Jewelry</b>	<b>Paintings</b>
<b>Raffle</b>	<b>Re-Gifting</b>	<b>Tree of Love</b>	<b>Vintage Boutique</b>

Live Wreaths will be available in Fellowship Hall  
Saturday/Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
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		8:30 am Work Team 10 am Handbell Quartet (C)  6-8 pm Teen Time (KK) 6:45 pm AA (FH)	9 am Breakfast Group  6:30 pm Evening Prayer (S) Andrea Nilson, leader 7:15 pm Bible Study	6-7:20 pm Handbells (C) 7:30-9 pm Choir (C)	1-3 pm Watercolor Group (FH)	8-10 am <i>Pancakes with a Purpose</i> Breakfast—Family Housing Support (FHS) at Cross Mills Baptist Church 4403 Old Post Road Charlestown  5 pm Deacons Dinner at the WARM Shelter
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
 <b>Fall Back</b> Daylight Saving Time Ends <b>Veterans Day</b> <b>Celebration of Holy Communion</b> <b>Deacons Reverse Offering</b> 8 and 10 am Worship/Communion/Fellowship 8 and 10 am Church School (Pre-school-grade 8) 9:45-11:15 am Infant Room/Toddler Room (U)	3:30 pm Worship/Music Meeting (C)  6 pm Christmas Bazaar meeting (C)	8:30 am Work Team 10 am Handbell Quartet (C) 11:30 am Worship (S) 12 pm Diamonds Luncheon (FH)  3 pm Staff meeting (P) 6-8 pm Teen Time (KK) 6 pm Building & Grounds (P) 6:45 pm AA (FH) 7 pm Session (C)	9 am Breakfast Group  6:30 pm Evening Prayer (S) Holly Karnes, leader 6:45 pm Scouts (M) 7:15 pm Bible Study	6-7:20 pm Handbells (C) 7:30-9 pm Choir (C)	1-3 pm Watercolor Group (FH)  <b>Veterans Day</b>	High School Handbells Choir Trip to New Hampshire  8-10 am <i>Pancakes with a Purpose</i> Breakfast—Family Housing Support (FHS) at DCCCP (FH)
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
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<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
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<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>		
 <b>First Sunday in Advent</b> <b>Presbyterian Women Thank Offering</b> <b>11 am-12:30 pm Advent Festival</b> 8 and 10 am Worship/Fellowship 8 and 10 am Church School (Pre-school-grade 8) 9:45-11:15 am Infant Room/Toddler Room (U) <b>12-5 pm Wreath-making Workshop (FH)</b>	12-7 pm Wreath-making Workshop (FH)	8:30 am Work Team 10 am Handbell Quartet (C)  12-7 pm Wreath-making Workshop (FH)  6-8 pm Teen Time (KK) 6:45 pm AA (FH)	9 am Breakfast Group  12-7 pm Wreath-making Workshop (FH)  6:30 pm Evening Prayer (S) Pastor Wayne Eberly, leader 6:45 pm Scouts (FH)	12-7 pm Wreath-making Workshop (FH)  6-7:20 pm Handbells (C) 7:30-9 pm Choir (C)	<b>Christine Fish, Director:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Early Learning Center</b> (401) 322-0510 Monday to Friday; 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.</li> <li><b>Kid Kare</b> (401) 322-8600 Monday to Friday; 7-8 a.m. and 3:30-5 p.m.</li> </ul>	