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Thankful is an understatement. I am beyond thankful for you, the church. During November we remember the saints who went before us. We remember the veterans who served and their families who sacrificed, too. We have the midterm elections, and Thanksgiving, and perhaps the first snowflakes of the season; and of course, we have our Christmas Bazaar on the 21st, a day that astounds me each year.

And after the Bazaar, we'll transform the church campus in an afternoon frenzy of tables and chairs and vacuums and pumpkins and potatoes in preparation for our Thanksgiving Sunday, our next 9 a.m. combined service where we can worship together as one people and give thanks to God for all of our blessings, especially this congregation.

It just so happens that the 22nd is the culmination of our six week preaching series on Samuel, Saul, and the search for a king. On that Sunday, we'll celebrate Christ the King, the last Sunday of the church's 52-week cycle of worship. We'll name Jesus as the King of Kings and Lord of Lords; the last and greatest spiritual ruler we should ever pledge our allegiance to and hope to follow.

Blink, and you might miss November. There's something special happening every week. We really could use everyone's help with the Bazaar. We really do hope to see every one of you at the youth-made dinner on the 10th . We really do want to worship with you and share this life's journey. God bless you and those you love.

Pastor Gin

Session News

There's plenty happening at our church this fall! At its October meeting, Session heard updates from committees, discussed plans for the coming months, and looked ahead to projects that will help care for our church. We often see the results of the work of some committees such as Building & Grounds, Worship & Music, Christian Education, and Mission. A great deal of work happens behind the scenes to keep our church running smoothly. The Nominating Committee presented a slate of Elders, Deacons, and Trustees for the upcoming year. The Personnel Committee is completing annual staff reviews. The Compliance Committee is coordinating fire safety requirements, including fire drills planned for November 8 at the conclusion of both worship services, and first aid certification in early November. The Membership & Communications Committee is working to update and maintain our membership rolls. From welcoming worshipers each Sunday to supporting local students, planning youth activities, and maintaining our buildings, so much of our church's work happens because people are willing to share their time, gifts, and care. Thank you to our staff, committee members, volunteers, and congregation for all you do to make our church a place where people can worship, learn, serve, and belong. We look forward to all that the coming months will bring! *Peace, Roxanne*

Deacon News





Food & Fellowship Ministry: Sign up sheets, to bring refreshments for after church services, are located on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. For more information reach out to Sandy Santy or Doreen Smith and they will show you the ropes. Thank you!

Warm Shelter Dinner: DCCCP members will serve the Swiss chicken dinner on **Saturday, November 7th.** Volunteer sign up sheets are located on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. Volunteer hours are from 3:00 - 6:00. This includes heating, setup and serving the food. **If you have any questions, please contact Doreen at (401) 429-8969.**

Jonnycake: New Needs Include: Soup, Salt and pepper, peanut butter, Crackers, and Chips. Donation bins are located in Fellowship Hall.

SERVING OUR COMMUNITY THROUGH FAITH AND ACTION

Missions Headlines







Dear Mission Committee and Congregation Members:

I would like to thank the congregation and the mission committee for this year's extremely generous contributions to South County Habitat for Humanity. The Habitat Adopt-A-Day sponsorship at the Ledward Avenue duplex was a huge success with 20 church volunteers helping to complete construction work on both units. Thank you to all who volunteered your time and construction skills. A special thank you to those who provided yummy snacks and a delicious lunch for everyone. And finally, thank you to Jaye for creating the tool signup app as well as the Scribe and website updates.

The home dedication ceremony was well attended on September 22nd . Homeowners should be moving in very soon. I do not know the exact number but over 150 people attended the dedication. Pastor Gin eloquently offered the blessing. DCCCP donated a extremely large/overflowing bucket of tools to each homeowner on your behalf. These tools were provided by donations from congregation members and through mission funds. You may or may not know that Habitat homeowners have to perform 150 sweat-equity hours. Both homeowners have worked on their units alongside regular volunteers since January. So, they have sufficient construction skills to use each of the tools that we have provided.

Next stop, Village at Broad Rock in Peace Dale. Three modular homes are already set on their foundations and site work has already started. Peace,Jerry

News

Job Lot Veteran Coat Drive sign up runs each Sunday from Oct 25th – Nov 8th. $45 buys a coat for a veteran and gives a gift card that can be donated.

GOOD BOOKS & GOOD COMPANY

Book Club Nov 30th at 7pm in Fellowship Hall. The book is "*The Art of Hearing Heartbeats*" by Jan-Philipp Sendker.

Monthly Meeting

Our next meeting is **Monday, November 16th at 1pm** in Fellowship Hall. This meeting will consist of assembling two literacy baskets for the Bazaar, the annual college student care package, and the determination of the 2027 PW Bible Study.
See you then!

Questions?

If you have any questions about the Presbyterian Women's group, contact Doreen Smith or Sharon DeSarro

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Stewardship Moment – Investment Cards

Thank you to everyone who supported this year's stewardship campaign, including the teens who helped stuff envelopes for our two mailings! Your financial gifts, time, and talents all help support the life and ministry of our church.

As we look ahead to next year, please remember to complete your investment card and return it to the church or submit it through the church website. These cards help the church plan its budget and prepare for the year ahead.

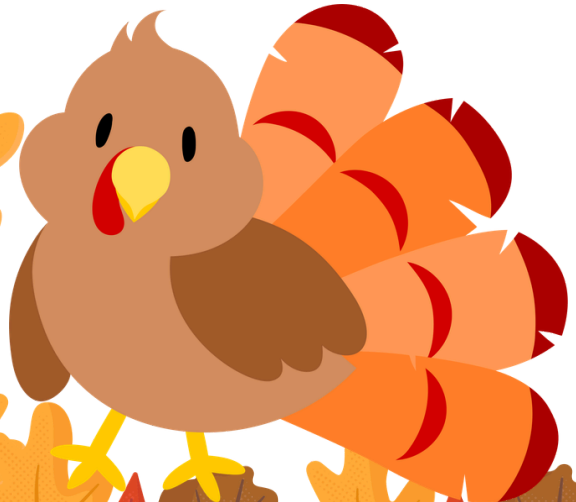
While you're at it, please review your quarterly giving statement to see where you stand with your 2026 giving. If possible, please complete your remaining commitment before the end of the year. Together, these steps will help us finish the year strong.

The holiday season also brings wonderful opportunities to share your time and talents. Keep an eye out for upcoming church events and consider finding a way to lend a hand. Every contribution, big or small, makes a difference!

Most of all, take a moment to appreciate all that you have given and shared this year. Every gift, every helping hand, every talent shared, and every act of kindness helps make Dunn's Corners Community Church a place to call home. Thank you for being part of this wonderful church family and for all the ways you help our church grow and thrive.

As we look toward a new year, may we continue to share our gifts, care for one another, and find joy in all we can accomplish together. Stewardship is something we live every day, and each of us has something meaningful to give. Look for more on stewardship in December's Scribe. **In the meantime, remember: Each of us can make a difference - and together, we can make a change.**

With gratitude for all you do and all you are,
Sue, Bob, and Charles
Your Stewardship Committee



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BUILDING & GROUNDS

At its recent meeting, the Building and Grounds Committee reviewed maintenance requests, replacement needs, and proposed investments related to the church buildings and grounds. The committee categorized the reviewed items as either “needs” or “wants”; this list will be included in the annual report and was provided to the Session and Trustees for review and comment.

Postponed: The Dedicated Brick Patio project has been postponed until spring. The bricks have been ordered and are expected to arrive sometime in November. The project was rescheduled because of the changing season and the other work being completed by the Tuesday crew.

Completed: Jerry Palmer removed dead trees and branches near the playground and chapel. The cost was $3,000.

Revised: The proposed new meeting room in Fellowship Hall was moved to the “want” list, meaning it is a lower priority than identified building needs. In its place, the committee identified replacement of the meetinghouse furnace and air-conditioning system as a “need.”

Underway: Repairs to the sanctuary floor are expected to be completed by the end of October. Carpet cleaning will be scheduled after the Christmas bazaar.

Financial: The Tuesday Crew did an outstanding job on this summer’s Sunday school and church office projects. The Church is grateful for the bequest from the late Laurie Chipperfield, which made it possible to complete many of this summer’s building projects and cover other necessary expenses. Most of the gift was designated for building expenses that otherwise wouldn’t have been covered.

Church Grounds Fall Clean-Up

Saturday, November 7, 2026

9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Fall is here, and it’s time to give our church grounds a little seasonal TLC! Join us for a morning of fellowship, fresh air, and working together to keep our church property looking its best.We’ll be clearing leaves, tidying outdoor areas, and taking care of other seasonal cleanup around the grounds. Everyone is welcome—no special skills required! Whether you can stay for the whole morning or just lend a hand for a little while, your help is appreciated.Wear comfortable clothes and sturdy shoes, and if you have them, bring gloves and some basic yard-work tools.Come enjoy some time together while helping prepare our church grounds for the season ahead. **Many hands make light work—and we’re always better together!** Rain Date: Sat, 11/14/26 | 9AM–12PM

For questions about Building and Grounds, please contact Session Member Charles Jones, Committee Chair Larry Fortin, or Tuesday Crew Leader Don Phillips.



YOUTH & CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

October Potato Bar Success!

On Tuesday, October 13, our youth hosted their first Tuesday night dinner fundraiser—a potato bar with all the fixings! It was a huge success and a fun evening of fellowship with over 50 people attending. Thank you to everyone who came out to support our youth!



Next Tuesday Dinner: Spaghetti & Meatballs

When: Tuesday, November 10 (2nd Tuesday of November)

Menu: Spaghetti & meatballs with fresh garlic bread

We can't wait to see you there for another great meal and time together!



Holiday Coaster Fundraiser

Our teens have been hard at work creating festive holiday-themed coasters!

Price: $8 for a pack of 4

How to Buy: Available for purchase on Sundays after service.

Pick up a set for yourself or as a holiday gift!

Upcoming November Event: Reverb Providence

November is packed with exciting activities, including Reverb—an overnight Christian youth event in Providence! The teens will enjoy a night packed with fun, including a hockey game, bowling, and time at Launch Trampoline Park, all while engaging with an impactful Gospel message.



Support Our Youth: Scholarship Fund

Many of these fun events and trips cost money. If you would like to help ensure all of our youth are able to participate, please consider making a donation to our **Youth Scholarship Fund.** Your support makes a meaningful difference!

DUNN'S CORNERS
EARLY LEARNING CENTER & KIDKARE

October has been an absolute blast in our classroom! We've loved heading outside to watch the beautiful transition into fall and exploring the season through hands-on activities with apples, leaves, pumpkins, and Halloween fun. Our apple unit was a huge hit—we integrated it across multiple learning standards and celebrated the finale by baking a delicious apple crisp together! We have continued to do a lot of our learning outside while the weather is still conducive. It has been valuable having one on one time with each child working on different skills.

Alongside our autumn fun, we also kicked off our safety lessons with a comprehensive fire safety unit. The students did a wonderful job practicing key skills like "stop, drop, and roll," learning when to dial 911, and discussing home evacuation plans. We also worked hard on memorizing our home addresses and family phone numbers. To wrap up the unit, we are visiting the fire station for an exciting field trip to meet the firefighters and see the trucks up close!

Our annual Trunk or Treat is happening this Friday, 10/30! We are thrilled to have a massive turnout this year with 22 trunks signed up. We can't wait to see everyone parade around the parking lot in their costumes!

Music & Worship Arts ~ Behind the Music: Thursday Evenings at DCCCP

If you happen to stop by church on a Thursday evening, you'll find that there's quite a bit going on!

Around 5:30 pm, members of the Glory Ringers start arriving. Bells are uncovered, music is spread across the tables, and there's usually a fair amount of conversation as everyone gets settled. Some are catching up with friends, others are working out who has which bells, and someone is almost certainly looking for a piece of music. By 5:45, all 17 ringers are in place and we're ready to begin.

The next hour goes by quickly. There are tricky rhythms to figure out, passages that need some extra attention, and the occasional moment when what we hear isn't quite what the composer had in mind! We stop, work through it, and try again. Sometimes more than once. There's a lot of concentration involved in ringing handbells, but we manage to have plenty of fun along the way.

By 6:50, we're wrapping things up, just as members of the Chancel Choir begin making their way in. Some arrive early enough to catch the last few minutes of handbell rehearsal. Others are chatting with friends, checking in with one another, or finding their music for the evening. At 7:00, our 26 choir members gather to begin their rehearsal.

We start with service music for the coming Sunday and then begin singing anthems for worship in the coming weeks and months. We work on notes, rhythms, phrasing, and the words themselves. Sometimes we spend quite a bit of time on just a few measures before putting everything back together. We take the music seriously, but there's always room for laughter, and we certainly have plenty of that!

Every so often, the Glory Ringers stay to rehearse with the choir when we're preparing something together for worship. These are particularly enjoyable evenings, bringing bells, voices, piano, and organ together in ways that make the music even more interesting.

Of course, there's a great deal of work that happens before anyone arrives on Thursday. Cheryl spends time selecting and preparing the organ and piano music for worship, along with everything she needs to accompany our choir rehearsals. Kathy also shares her talents at the piano, and recently the two of them joined forces on piano and organ to accompany the choir's Be Thou My Vision. It's easy to overlook just how much preparation goes into the instrumental music we hear each Sunday.

Choir rehearsal wraps up at 8:30, although that doesn't necessarily mean we're finished. The music staff often stays to rehearse something together, talk through an upcoming service, or take care of a few loose ends. Then it's time to put everything away, turn out the lights, and head home. By about 9:00, Thursday evening at church has finally come to an end.

I've described a lot of music making, but there's another part of Thursday evenings that I think is just as important. Both the Glory Ringers and Chancel Choir are wonderful groups of people who enjoy being together. Over time, friendships have developed that extend well beyond our rehearsals and Sunday mornings

People notice when someone is missing. They check in when someone is having a difficult week. They celebrate each other's good news and are there for one another when life's challenges arise.

That's something I value tremendously about our Music and Worship Arts ministry. Yes, we're here to prepare music for worship, and we take that responsibility seriously. But we're also a fellowship of people who genuinely enjoy one another's company. I think that sense of togetherness comes through in the music we share.

With Thanksgiving just around the corner, I've been thinking about how fortunate we are to have so many people willing to give their time and talents to our church. What you hear on Sunday morning represents many hours of work, not just on Thursday evenings, but throughout the week. And while most of that preparation happens out of sight, I hope you'll know how much care goes into it.

I'm grateful for every member of our Music and Worship Arts ministry, not only for the music they make possible, but for the friendships, laughter, encouragement, and genuine care they share with one another. It's a privilege to make music with them each week.

~Andy



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

November 21st from 9:00 AM–2:00 PM



The favorites you look forward to all year are back! Join us for our Christmas Bazaar, featuring the famous Cookie Walk, doll clothes, vintage jewelry, Gramma's Attic, gift baskets, wreaths and cemetery baskets, Pastor's pies, plants, crafts, and more! And of course, Santa will be there, too! Come enjoy the fun, find a few treasures, and kick off the holiday season with us!

New this year!
Nancy Schilke has put together six special gift baskets filled with quilting and fabric supplies. They're a wonderful treat for sewing and quilting enthusiasts!



Wreaths & Arrangements

We are preparing a beautiful selection of wreaths, arrangements, and cemetery planters for the upcoming Bazaar, and we need your help to make it a success!Please consider contributing the following items to help us create these arrangements:

Fresh Greens: Holly, pine branches, cedar, juniper, boxwood, or any festive winter foliage from your yard.

Vases & Containers: Clean, gently used glass vases, ceramic pots, holiday mugs, or sturdy outdoor baskets.



Raffle

Raffle ticket pre-orders begin in early November! You won't want to miss this year's amazing prizes, including Red Sox tickets, golf outings, restaurant gift certificates, beautiful quilts and paintings, a Foxwoods overnight stay, show tickets, and much more. Buy early and buy often to support our church community!



It's cookie time! We are right around the corner for our upcoming Christmas Bazaar Saturday, November 21st. And, once again I'm calling on all bakers to dig out your favorite recipes and start baking. We are looking to fill our tables with a variety of cookies to keep tables full for the duration of the bazaar. Cookie signup sheets are in Fellowship Hall. Please make sure to label all cookies nuts/no nuts to ensure cookies are put in at the correct area. Tables will be set up in the choir room by noon Friday, November 20th , anxiously waiting to be filled. Tables will be marked with signs "Nuts/No Nuts" designating where to leave cookies.

New: Please note all "Gluten Free" cookies should be dropped off upstairs in fellowship hall at the "Bake Sale" table to ensure separation of cookies.

We want to send everyone home with a smile on their face and their favorite cookies. Thanks as always, to everyone for your support in helping make our cookie walk a success once again.

Sharon DeSarro~Cookie Walk Chair

November Events & More









Join us for the
DCCCP Christmas Bazaar
Saturday, November 21st ~ 9–2!
🎄Enjoy our famous Cookie Walk, raffles, gift baskets, Gramma's Attic treasures, jewelry, and so much more! Bring a friend, shop for unique holiday gifts, and share in the Christmas cheer at Dunn's Corners Community Church!

December 11, 2026 7:30pm
Yes, the movie that we saw in 2025 at The United is now a play at The Granite Theater! Tickets are $34 for Seniors (over 64) and Children (under 12); all others $36. SignUp sheet in Fellowship Hall. **Tickets are limited.** See Cathy Kellers with any questions



Deepen into
Self-Discovery & Spiritual Growth
Join us on the **4th Monday of every month** as we unpack the Enneagram in-depth. **November 24th 5:30– 7:00 PM**
Location: Teen Room

Coming in December

Mark your calendars for All-Church Caroling on December 14th and the Holiday Bell Concert on December 13!

The full story will appear in the December Scribe and on the Fellowship Hall Events Board.

Save Date

Women's Retreat 2027

Mark your calendars...the DCCCP Women's Retreat will be April 23-24 2027!

More information to come!

GRIEFSHARE

November 3, 10, 17
Special Session on November 24th ~ Surviving the Holidays
GriefShare is a Christ-centered seminar and support group where you can find help and healing for the loss of a loved one. Weekly meetings in the Sanctuary on **Tuesdays at 5:30pm.**

Bulletin Board





Single worship service on November 22nd 9am only!

Don't Forget!

DCCCP Rail Explorers Adventure

We had about 18 participants on Saturday morning October 10th.

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NOVEMBER 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Communion 8 & 10am Worship 9 & 11am Fellowship 10am Sunday School 11:15 - 1:45 Choir Cantata Practice	2	3 8:30am Work Team 4pm Worship Committee 5pm Christian Education 5:30pmTeen Time 5:30pm Griefshare 6pm Buildings and Grounds 7:30pm Bellisimo	4 9am Coffice Hours 10am Bible Study 1:30pm Westerly Village 6pm Cub Scouts	5 5:45pm Glory Ringers 7pm Choir	6	7 8am Warm Dinner Drop-off 9am B&G Church Clean-up
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Diamonds Among Us!



Tom Roy ~ November 3
Kathleen Higgins ~ November 5
Robin Johnson ~ Novmeber 10
Sam Pierson ~ Novmeber 25
Philip Clark ~ November 28

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.