



FISHERMEN'S NEWS

The Greenwood Community Church, Presbyterian
805 Main Avenue; Warwick, Rhode Island
www.gccp.org

MAY 2017

Dear Members and Friends,

At the time of this writing, it's nine days after a very full and enjoyable Easter for me, which began at 6 a.m. baking ten loaves of sausage bread, then preparing a (*very basic*) breakfast for Steve's four seminary friends who were our weekend household guests (*two will be going with him to Dubai!*), then two very full and inspiring worship services (*AND a scrumptious 29Eleven brunch in between!*), followed by a Greggs' luncheon with Steve and his friends, then off to T.F. Green at 3:00 p.m., arriving at my hotel in Cedarville, OH at 1:30 a.m. after a lo-oo-ong delay at Chicago's O'Hare. I spent Monday with daughter Hannah, took her and six friends out to dinner, and rented a moving truck Tuesday to drive to Winchester, VA to assist my two sisters-in-law with the bittersweet task of emptying my dear mother-in-law's residence at the Clocktower Ridge retirement center in Winchester, VA. At 94, Elaine is in otherwise excellent health, but sadly an aggressive macular degeneration has taken her vision, which necessitated relocation to an assisted living facility five minutes from her oldest daughter's home in Elkins, W. VA. Greenwood member **Tom Mays**, who happens to be on temporary assignment in Winchester with the US Army Corps of Engineers, graciously helped me with the heavy lifting of the "big stuff" into the truck all Tuesday night; then it was ten hours all day Wednesday with my sisters-in-law sorting, packing and painfully deciding what to keep and what to discard. I arrived home 3:00 a.m. Thursday (*with a truckload of household goods that will eventually find a home with either my children or me*), unloaded all afternoon and evening (*with a few Salvation Army trips*), and returned the big truck to Taylor Rental Friday afternoon. There won't be room in my garage for a car in the near future, but I was pleased to do what I could to help as life turns another poignant page in my extended family's story.

The pictures below (*and on the back of the attached concert poster!*) give vivid testimony of another wonderful Holy Week experience in the life of Greenwood Church! There are so many who helped (*and I'm sure to miss someone, but here goes*); thanks to the Handbell Choir (*Palm Sunday introit*), the Palm Sunday offertory duet (*Steve Parkinson and Olivia Vicente*), the Easter Introit quartet (*Nancy Dickerman, Jessin Jacobs, Bill Cheney, Olivia Vicente; Olivia was also soloist for the masterful offertory both services!*), the Chancel and Youth Choirs, the accompanists (*trumpeters Julia D'Antico and Austin Pickup*), and, of course, our superb brother-sister dynamic duo Director of Music John Black and Music Associate Christian Black for providing such outstanding music throughout the week (*on a personal note, I especially enjoyed the Chancel Choir's excellent Easter rendition of Handel's Messiah ... the last time that was sung here was Easter 1999, my wife's last Sunday in worship; in fact, it was the last time Ann stood in worship, as she was determined to honor that time-honored tradition initiated by King George II in 1743*). Thanks, too, to the Deacons who prepared Palm Sunday palms and the arrangement of the beautiful Easter flowers; thanks to the Christian Ed Committee (*including Sunday School superintendents Joann Rudolph & Krissy Swanson, AND DFM Virginia Jacobs*) for organizing the always-fun Palm Processional with Hannah the Donkey as well as the Easter Egg Hunt and accompanying activities the following Saturday (*thanks also to the Easter Bunny for making his stellar appearance!*); thanks to the 29Eleven youth and leaders for another moving Last Supper re-enactment Palm Sunday **and** for their hospitality, generosity and hard work providing an abundant supply of delicious food Easter morning (*AND thanks to all who generously contributed to the 29Eleven Mission Fund; over \$400 was given!*); thanks to Mission Committee for our special Good Friday presentation, thanks to the Children's Church & nursery workers, acolytes, lectors, ushers and greeters (*and Worship Committee coordinator Wayne Meunier!*) who each play an indispensable role in our worship experience. Thanks, too, to Carol Castergine for coordinating, printing, cutting, stuffing and organizing a small mountain of worship bulletins & inserts, AND to John Pickup for consistently keeping facilities clean, set up and well-prepared throughout! Finally, thanks to *all* who contributed ... by your presence, your gifts, your enthusiastic participation in worship and your support ... to help make this another memorable and worshipful Holy Week!

Stephen L. Clark, Pastor



WELCOME TEN NEW MEMBERS! (start clockwise, top left) Dorothy Matteson, Betty McClung, Michael & Stefanie Whaley (& Laura!), Adam Jones, Bill Taylor, Olivia Vicente, Claudette Pailin, Nancy Sumrall. (unpictured: Jerianne Berman)

THIS MONTH IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
christianed@gccp.org

Virginia Jacobs, Joann Rudolph, Kristine Swanson, Sandra Olson

NEWS FROM THE SUNDAY SCHOOL



All delighted in a beautiful, sunny, spring day for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt April 15. Some of the activities enjoyed by the children were coloring Easter eggs, decorating cupcakes and hunting for Easter eggs on the lawn. Thank you to all who made a fun and memorable experience for our young people!

As mentioned last month, the response to our Heifer Coin Drive has been wonderful this year. We appreciate your generous participation. We are happy to say the check is in the mail to Heifer International! During the Sundays in Lent, the Sunday School raised **\$1,040** in pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters and dollars which allowed us to purchase a goat, a heifer, a sheep, a llama and some bees and chicks for impoverished families around the world.



Heifer Coin Drive

We are coming to the end of our Sunday School year. **Youth Sunday** will be held May 28 at the single service of worship **9:30 a.m.** (Memorial Day weekend marks the start of our summer worship schedule) and is the "official" last day of Sunday School; students of ALL ages will have opportunity to participate in Youth Sunday.

UPCOMING DATES:

MAY 21	Last day for King's Kids and 29Eleven
MAY 28	Last day of Sunday School; Youth Sunday <i>(NO 9:00 class, but all are invited to participate in the Youth Sunday service!)</i>



Respectfully submitted,

Joann Rudolph, Kristine Swanson
Sunday School Co-superintendents



NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR OF FAMILY MINISTRIES:

KINGS' KIDS continues through Sunday May 21, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. for children in grades 2 through 6. Come and bring a friend for music, snacks, games, crafts and more! For more information, please call Ginny Jacobs (392-0417).

THE CHURCH FAMILY DINNER continues to meet Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. You are most welcome to join us any Wednesday. Bring your own food to eat. The goal of this group is to provide midweek fellowship for individuals or families who would like to have dinner with other members of our church family for company, support, encouragement, prayer, etc. We hope members of all ages will join us, as we all benefit from each other's fellowship, wisdom and strength.



PARENTS' NIGHT OUT continues **MAY 12!** Parents, bring your children to spend a fun Friday night with us from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Plan on this the first Friday of each month; it's on the second Friday in this month due to the May Breakfast! We will enjoy fellowship, games, movies and fun together. The program is directed by DFM Virginia Jacobs who is assisted by other adults, as well as teens from 29Eleven, who have completed our child protection training. Drop your children off and head to a movie, dinner or just a little relaxation before the weekend knowing the kids are having a great time! Friends are always welcome!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: Bill Cheney and Barry Baxter are leading a new five week class on the writings of the apostle John. The class began Sunday, April 23, and will continue subsequent Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in the parlor. Harry Curran will be assisting and is providing information and questions from the Bible Study Fellowship's curriculum; well over one hundred people attend Bible Study Fellowship each week here at Greenwood. Barry and Bill are putting strong effort into making the class interesting and helpful. For additional information, contact Harry Curran at HJCofRI@yahoo.com or 401-737-4543



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2017 - PASSPORT TO PERU: DISCOVERING GOD'S GOOD GIFTS

Save the date!! July 31 - August 4. We can't wait to vicariously explore and learn about a new culture and have a blast at VBS this year. Mark your calendars, ages four - entering grade 6. See Lisa David for more information and/or if you are interested in volunteering!

Respectfully submitted,
Virginia Jacobs, Director of Family Ministries

LOOK FOR OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL ON FACEBOOK!



FROM 29ELEVEN YOUTH MINISTRIES

April was a busy month for our 29Eleven young people. We rang in the new month together as midnight, April 1 came and went during our memory-filled **Lock-In**; we commemorated the Last Supper with a live re-enactment in Fellowship Hall on Palm Sunday April 9 (a remarkable inter-generational event as families and members all across the church came together to worship and reflect); we hid hundreds of eggs in as many challenging locations as we could come up with in the front yard of the church during the annual **Easter Egg Hunt April 15**, before celebrating our risen Lord on Easter morning and providing a scrumptious brunch buffet for all to enjoy throughout the morning (*THANK YOU for the \$400+ received in donations for our mission trip!*). For me it has been a fantastic month watching the young people bond together with each other and with the church as a whole, and to see them selflessly and joyously serve alongside one another.



After interruptions from snow days and holidays and events galore, we are returning to our regular schedule of **6:00 p.m. meetings through May 21**, at which point we will “officially” break for the summer. Besides our annual **mission trip** which will take place **July 17-22 at Eastern University in St. Davids, PA** (*a week I am beyond excited for!*), stay tuned for occasional fun outings throughout the summer. In the past these have included adventures to Six Flags, sports events, and the ever-consistent Awful Awful Mondays at Newport Creamery, before we resume our normal schedule in September – in whatever way “normal” describes the delightful, crazy adventure of youth ministry!



We meet just three more times before I fly to **Dubai** for my summer mission adventure. A big **THANK YOU** to each and every one of you (*including the Mission Committee, Presbyterian Women and the Board of Deacons!*) who so generously contributed to make this trip possible; I am genuinely overwhelmed by the outpouring of support I received. As I reflect upon all the good work God has done this year, from growing our group to a solid core of a dozen youth, to giving us a fall retreat to remember, to enjoyable goofy nights running around the church, to watching selfless young people serve their church and community, to the big events and to the simple weekly routine of worship, games, and prayer, I count



Thank You,
(very much)

myself a blessed man to be privileged to serve in this ministry. This year has been a great adventure together with a wonderful group of young adults I have grown increasingly fond of, as well as a special privilege to serve weekly alongside such selfless and gifted adult volunteers as Eric McNeely, Emmy Kmet, Wendy Petrucci and Patti Parkinson (*and others who serve on occasion to contribute time, love and energy to help on special events!*).

On a “non-business” related note, my first seven months or so back “home” at Greenwood also has been a great personal blessing. I have felt such great joy to be reunited with the church in which my faith was formed, and it has been my honor to spend each Sunday in a place so full of good memories, faithful ministry and lovingly supportive people. You all have been so good to me; your gracious love towards me is attested not only through the community I experience within those walls, but also by (*as mentioned above*) the overwhelming financial support I received for my Dubai trip; I am blown away to say that I raised nearly \$1,000 over my target goal. Thank all of you for your continuous support and love towards me and towards the youth; I look forward with great joy to my continued ministry here at Greenwood Community Church, Presbyterian.

Respectfully submitted,

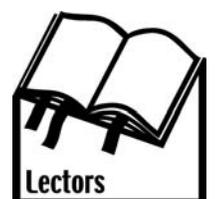
Stephen Clark, Ministry Intern

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

As the month of May approaches we begin to think of new beginnings for our flowers, lawns, and gardens. Everything that grows needs nourishment, including us. This is a great time to focus on our spiritual nourishment through worship. Make this May your new beginning to enrich your spiritual nourishment by serving the Lord and witness our Greenwood Church families grow and flourish. As we sow our seeds and invest in our spiritual nourishment we will be serving the Lord and thanking Him for our many blessings.



Our Worship Committee offers opportunities for you to serve the Lord through our services of worship. The volunteer positions available on a weekly basis are: Lectors, Greeters and Acolytes (ideal for younger members of our church). There is no experience needed to volunteer for any of these positions and training is available. If you are interested please call me (Wayne) at my home at 738-0480 or email me at fopawam@verizon.net and I can discuss your interest and get you started in serving God in this capacity. We are blessed and thank all our many volunteers for their dedicated and continued support in this service. Worship schedules are posted in Fellowship Hall and we encourage all to continue to sign up to serve. I thank our Deacons and Elders and ask that they continue to volunteer and sign up to serve Communion. Our Worship Committee meets weekly before and after the Sunday services, so if you have any suggestions and/or comments, Don and I would love to hear from you. Make time for your spiritual nourishment by actively serving through worship. See you there!



Wayne A. Meunier, Committee Member
(Don Sorgel, Chair, Worship Committee)

MEMBER CARE COMMITTEE



We were so pleased to welcome TEN new members who joined our congregation Palm Sunday. Please be sure to extend a warm welcome if you see them at service or at coffee hour. Almost all are pictured on the front page; we somehow missed getting a picture of **Jerianne Berman**, who officially reactivated her membership after a brief time away (*Some of you may remember Jerianne and her late husband, Dr. Allan Berman, came to Christian faith and were baptized together at Greenwood September 27, 1998. Dr. Berman entered life eternal March 22, 2009.*)

The other nine new members are as follows: **Adam Jones**, who with his wife Emily and delightful children Andrew, Alyssa and Amber, has been attending for some years now (*Emily officially joined last October 23, but Adam was unexpectedly called to work that Sunday and had to miss joining*); **Nancy Sumrall and Dorothy Matteson** (*two friends who first came to Greenwood through the Summer Choir program; Nancy has been in the choir ever since*), **Claudette Pailin** (*Claudette first came to Greenwood as part of the Bible Study Fellowship that meets here each Monday; she also got involved with, and remains an active part of, our Concert and Chancel Choirs*), **Stefanie & Michael Whaley** (*Stefanie is the granddaughter of Doris Safford and has been attending since 2013 or 2014 as her CVS pharmacist schedule would allow; she and husband Michael were married by Pastor Clark July 31, 2015. Michael and their baby daughter, Laura Rose, will both be baptized May 7*), **Olivia Vicente** (*Olivia is also a familiar face in our choir, with a stupendous soprano voice that has been featured in worship several times to date! She will also receive baptism May 7; as per the Book of Order, Michael's and Olivia's memberships will be "officially" activated after their baptisms*). Finally, we also welcomed by Transfer of Letter **William Taylor** (*Bill comes to us from the Faith Presbyterian Church in Cranston which recently had to close; he was a faithful member there many years*) and **Dr. Betty McClung** (*Dr. McClung's is a retired speech pathologist and somewhat recently widowed; she comes to us from the First Presbyterian Church of Asheville, North Carolina, having moved here to be closer to her son who lives in Cranston*).



COMING EVENTS: We are so looking forward to the **Spring Concert May 28** at 5:00 p.m., with fine food and fellowship to follow! The **All-Church Picnic** this year is scheduled for **June 11** at the Masonic Temple on Long Street in Warwick, starting at 12 noon. Please bring a salad or dessert to share; hamburgers, hotdogs and drinks will be provided. We are also looking at some dates for our annual trip to a Pawsox game (*most likely will be a Sunday afternoon*) Watch for further details in the summer **Fishermen's News** and/or the worship bulletin inserts.



Respectfully submitted,
Joan Eichenfeldt, for the Member Care Committee

Committee members: Elaine Magyar, Joan-Sandra McKnight, Cathy Schobel, Doris Safford, Dave and Nancy Dickerman, Bonnie Readett, Betty Stacey, Carol Sullivan and Linda Martin

(P.S. from the FN editors: Below is reprinted from the May 2016 *Fishermen's News*; from time to time it's good to review such basics!)

"Please sign the Greenwood Greeter, the red pad found on the seat next to the aisle, and pass it on to others in your pew."

We hear these words just about every week and, if you are like me, you wonder, "Why should I bother to sign? I'm not new or a visitor. It's just a waste of paper." At least that's the way I thought before I was on the Member Care Committee and realized what a valuable tool it can be! First, the Greeter provides a way to learn the names of our visitors and for them to express interest in being contacted to receive more information. It's also a way for members to finally figure out (or remember) the names of those nice folks who sit near them and for them to discover (or remember) who you are, too!



The Member Care Committee can also use the Greeters to reach out to someone whose attendance patterns change. Sometimes we learn that someone has headed to Florida to avoid the wintry weather, but in other cases we discover that they may need transportation because an injury prevents them from driving or they have been housebound and would love to have a visit. None of us expect to be that person, but our Greeter records help us keep in touch so fewer people slip through the cracks. Mind you, we are not taking attendance and won't be handing out any pins for perfect attendance, though maybe we should. It is definitely impressive when one sees how many people participate in worship just about every week. Please help us, and starting THIS SUNDAY, be sure to sign the Greenwood Greeter. The Member Care Committee thanks you in advance! You can also help us with our outreach by letting someone know if you haven't seen one of our regulars for a while. Contact any member of the Committee or drop a note in the Member Care information boxes in the narthex and in Fellowship Hall.

39er's MAY GATHERING

Wednesday, MAY 17 at 11:30 a.m.
Top of the Bay in Oakland Beach



Menu:

Ham or Baked Scrod
with salad, coffee or tea, & dessert

Cost: \$15.00

Program in Fellowship Hall at 1:30 p.m.

Our program this month will be
Dave and Nancy Dickerman sharing memories of their trip to the National Parks.
If you need a ride or a reservation, please call Linda Gungle (828-7687).

MUSIC PROGRAM

Dear friends,

As quickly as this greatly anticipated spring has arrived, summer days will soon be upon us. For our music program, this means the arrival of several favorite events we look forward to each year.



Spring Concert

Quickly approaching is **our next concert**, “**God Bless America**”. The past months of preparation have been filled with great excitement for all involved, and we know you will greatly enjoy the performance that lies in store. On **Sunday, May 28** (Memorial Day Weekend) at **5:00 p.m.**, our sanctuary rafters will ring with the sounds of the more than fifty singers in the **Greenwood Concert Choir**, in addition to our phenomenal **Youth and Handbell choirs**, and our ever-talented instrumentalists and vocalists. The program offers a complete sampling of favorite Patriotic music, including marches, anthems, and music of the armed forces, paired with great American spirituals, hymns and songs dear to the heart of our nation through the ages. Our repertoire offers a bold flavor of Americana, including large-scale choral works and instrumental masterpieces. Additionally, the program includes many familiar melodies well-known to audience members of all ages and levels of musical experience, including quintessential hymn tunes, adapted folk melodies, and even music made popular on television. You are guaranteed to hear something you know and love, and something new and exciting; the ultimate concert experience! We can’t wait to have you as our guests for a spectacular evening of music and fellowship (and yes, the Member Care committee is once again graciously providing a lavish reception after the concert!).



Meanwhile, just ahead lies the final Sunday of our music program season, **Choir Appreciation Sunday** on June 11. The members of our music program selflessly give of their time and talent each week with incredible dedication, dependability, and a remarkable focus of ministry, and it is befitting to acknowledge and thank God for this service as another year of music ministry draws to a close. It is also time to start thinking about our **Summer Choir** and music program, which runs during July and August. We will once again welcome first-time singers to join our veteran choristers in learning a simple, familiar, fun piece of music to sing in worship during our summer services, in addition to our continued weekly soloists. This program is encouraging and fun for all ages; you CAN do it! More information will be available in the summer edition of the *Fishermen’s News*, and in the weekly bulletin.



I look forward to joining together for each of these wonderful opportunities for worship and fellowship as we prepare to enjoy another summer of worship and music at Greenwood. See you in church!

Blessings,

/s/ John

John C. Black, Director of Music and Choirs, Organist
Christian J. Black, Music Associate

MISSION COMMITTEE

YOUR MISSION DONATIONS AT WORK:

In addition to the regular budgeted mission support, the Mission Committee distributes contributions through designated donations and/or mission envelopes. So far in 2017 we have provided support for Steve Clark/Dubai mission, Oded and Bimini Cohen/Global Outreach International, Jews for Jesus, and Hannah Clark/Romania mission. Through these special donations we seek to support various mission opportunities involving Greenwood friends and members, such as the upcoming 29Eleven Summer Mission, Camino de Santiago treks, and short-term mission adventures; we also occasionally provide disaster relief donations. We express great appreciation for your financial gifts, prayers, engagement and encouragement which makes this support possible. Remember, as God provides, gifts may be given to Greenwood’s non-budgeted mission efforts through the special Mission envelopes in your 2017 church envelope box, or notated on the memo line of your check.



PRAYER SUPPORT FOR OUR CROSS-CULTURAL WORKERS

Prayer is where the action is—supporting and sustaining those on the mission fields of the world. Here is a prayer list to give you a good start in understanding the areas of need peculiar to a cross-cultural worker.

- Adjusting to the new language, different foods, new customs and difficult climate.
- Protection in travel, health, accidents, and dangerous situations.
- Parents’ concern for their children’s health, schooling, and friendships
- Housing accommodations, lack of privacy, differences in living standards, and lack of accustomed conveniences
- Loneliness, homesickness, and lack of accustomed fellowship with others.
- Interpersonal relationships, dealing with one’s own (and others’) prejudice and selfishness.
- Dependence on the faithfulness of others to meet one’s financial needs.
- Functioning of the tools of ministry i.e. computers.
- Lack of visible results; the “plowing, planting and watering” stages can go on for years!
- The people being ministered to, the national Christians, the leaders of the country.
- Need for stability, wisdom, compassion, self-discipline, boldness, love, to be filled with the Spirit of God. *(continued next page)*

PERSPECTIVES FROM THE "PERSPECTIVES" COURSE: *"Faithful – Faithful people know they are being trusted. Zeal to fulfill that trust distinguishes the faithful from those who are merely dutiful. The dutiful perform what's required, and so they are sometimes daunted in the face of sacrifice. The faithful remain dedicated to the One who entrusts them despite the high cost. Sacrifice is a light thing for them, because they have already entered into some of the joy of their Master, who commends them for being not only good, but also faithful."*



Emmy Kmet, Michael Snyman, Deb Stacey, Jon Farnsworth, Patti Parkinson, Marilyn Girardin-Jacobs, Amy Monahan, Shelley Monahan and Wilma Swanson

NEWS FROM PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

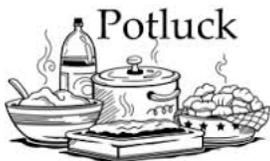
Our PW Spring Gathering was held Tuesday April 4. Circle II ladies were the hostesses and everyone enjoyed the selection of delicious appetizers and desserts which was planned by Sandy Olson. Evelyn Ferguson (former Greenwood Church member) told us about her work with churches helping immigrant families in Connecticut.

Mother's Day cards are still available in Fellowship Hall. The sale of these cards goes to help provide better health care for women in need throughout the African continent. Donations of any amount will help this cause, "Healthy Women = Healthy Families".



The **May Breakfast** will be **Saturday May 6, from 7:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.** Please remember to look at the sign up charts in Fellowship Hall to see what you can do to help by working at the breakfast, baking apple pies and/or other baked goods, or making fudge. We all enjoy good Christian fellowship as we work together on this event. Please invite your friends and family to come and enjoy a delicious breakfast. We also will have a large assortment of pretty May Baskets for sale filled with cookies, plants, or homemade candy.

LOOKING AHEAD



The **PW June Gathering** will be held **Tuesday, June 6, at 6:00 p.m.** in Fellowship Hall. This will be one of our delicious pot-luck suppers. Please bring a salad, vegetable, or main dish of your choice. The dessert, beverage and place settings will be provided. The program will be by the Rev. Jim Keller who will speak about Immigration. Please remember to bring paper products and /or non-perishable food items to be donated to our local food agencies for distribution. We will be dedicating the "Birthday Offering" at the Gathering so Circle members should remember to bring "Birthday Offering" envelopes that evening. All church women are welcome! Please sign up at Circle meetings or call Betty Mason at 401-789-1002 or the church office at 737-1230. I look forward to seeing you at the May Breakfast and our June Gathering!

Betty Mason, for Presbyterian Women

"Come as a guest, leave as a friend"



*Good friends are like angels;
You don't have to see them to know they are there!*

'ROUND IN CIRCLES FOR MAY

Circle I – MAY 23 at 1 p.m. in the parlor for lesson 6 in the Horizon Bible study: "Who is Jesus?"

Circle II – MAY 9 at 12 noon in the parlor. Bring a bag lunch.

Circle III – MAY 9 at 6:00 p.m. at the Fairbairn Summers home for a flower swap.

Circle IV – MAY 9 at 7:00 p.m. in the church parlor.

Circle V – MAY 9 at 12 noon in the 5/6 room for a bag lunch & then breaking into groups to visit shut-ins.

Circle VII – MAY 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the Kindergarten Toom to work on Bazaar projects.

Circle VIII (Picasso Quilters) – MAY 2 & 31 in Fellowship Hall to make sleeping bags for the homeless.

If you have any questions about the Circles, please call me at 737-0717. Copies of current months' Circle notes are always available on the table in the narthex. Please feel free to come to any of the above meetings; you do not need to officially 'join a circle' to attend. Watch the Sunday bulletin insert for any last-minute changes.

Betty Stacey, Circle Coordinator



~~~ CAUGHT IN THE NET ~~~

**Hospitalized since the last issue:** Lois-Belle Crankshaw and George David (father of Jay David)

**Sympathy is extended to:** The family and friends of Mr. Albert E. Bragger, Jr. who passed away Easter Sunday; the funeral service was held at the church April 22. As mentioned in the February **Fishermen's News**, Mr. Bragger was a son of charter members Lydia Bragger and Albert E. Bragger Sr.; his wife, Elizabeth Jean, passed away January 2015. Mr. and Mrs. Bragger were the first couple married in our church (*August 11, 1950*); they were interred together in a private ceremony April 24 at Quidnessett Memorial Cemetery.

☒ ☒ ☒ ☒ ☒ ☒ ~~~ NOTE OF APPRECIATION ~~~ ☒ ☒ ☒ ☒ ☒ ☒

Dear Pastor Clark and members of Greenwood Church - Dick and I want to thank you for thinking of us in the loss of my dear sister. We will all miss her, but she is now at peace.

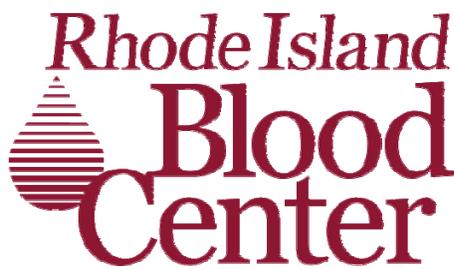
In Christian love, Ginny and Dick Arling



Jeff Black 5/1  
Elizabeth Tanner 5/1  
Nicholas LaBanca 5/1  
Michael Snyman 5/3  
Madelyn Sullivan 5/6  
Joanne Giroux 5/8  
Elizabeth Readett 5/10  
Dayna Krahenbill-Pickup 5/10  
Alexis Budlong-Springer 5/11  
Scott Ruhren 5/12

Cheryl Casinelli 5/13  
Kate Snyman 5/13  
Rebecca Tanner 5/14  
Logan Barnes 5/15  
Florence Hachadorian 5/16  
Dave Dickerman 5/18  
John Pickup 5/20  
Wendy Petrucci 5/20  
Walter Budlong, Jr. 5/21  
Jonathan Farnsworth 5/21

Wayne Meunier 5/21  
Rebecca Sanchez DeLozada 5/22  
Karen Baxter 5/25  
Nancy Allen 5/26  
Robert Hocking 5/28  
Peggy Phillips 5/29  
Betty Votta 5/29  
Janet Swanson 5/30  
Stefanie Whaley 5/31  
Eric Robinson 5/31



***The Rhode Island Blood Center Welcomes***

**Greenwood Community Church**

**May 2017**

**WARWICK DONOR CENTER**

**615 Greenwich Avenue, Warwick**

**Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM**

**Saturday & Sunday 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

**Appointments are strongly encouraged. Call or Text 401-453-8383**

**To make an appointment at one of our 6 Donor Centers located**

**Throughout Rhode Island!**

The Bloodmobile will no longer be making visits to some sites (such as ours) due to cost inefficiencies and other difficulties, so donors are encouraged and invited to come directly to the Donor Center.

When you come, please mention you are donating on behalf of **Greenwood Community Church, Sponsor Code 0118**. And don't forget to bring your driver's license or another form of ID. Thank you!



GREENWOOD CONCERT CHOIR



*Patriotic Music and  
American Spirituals*

Music

AT

Greenwood

*Choral and Instrumental Concert Serie.*

MEMORIAL DAY  
WEEKEND

**GOD BLESS**

**AMERICA**

*Sunday, May 28, 5:00pm*