

NEWS OF THE PEWS

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Striving to be the hands and feet of Christ in our community

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News of the Pews is a monthly publication intended to share events of the Plainfield Community Baptist Church and extended church community as well as thoughts by church family and friends. You are invited to share by submitting information to **newsofthepews@gmail.com**. Submissions received after the 20th of the month are not guaranteed to appear in the next edition.

UPPER VALLEY HUMANE SOCIETY

By Stephanie Schell

The Upper Valley Humane Society and the Plainfield Community Resource Room have teamed up to help all cat and dog owners in our area. Every month on the 3rd Saturday when the Resource Room & Food Pantry is open, the UVHS will be present to provide free cat and dog food. For more information, please contact Stephanie at 469-3201.

WILLING HANDS PRODUCE

By Stephanie Schell

Willing Hands Produce Drop offers free produce, breads, fruits, and meats every Wednesday from 11:45am – 12:30pm at the Cornish Town Hall (at the Fairgrounds). This is a great resource and open to anyone.

NEW LOCATION FOR BASIC FOOT CLINIC

By Stephanie Schell

The Basic Foot Care Clinic has moved to the Meriden Congregational Church Parish House's handicap accessible community room. Services are provided by Lake Sunapee VNA & Hospice professionals and are foot soaks, callus evaluation, nail clipping (also fingernail trimming if requested), and foot massage.

The clinic is open on the first Monday of each month from noon to 5 pm, The service is available to anyone. The cost is \$25.00 and can be paid by check or cash. These clinics are not covered by health insurance or Medicare.

For more information please call Stephanie at (603) 469-3201 or Laraine at (603) 526-4077.

PASTOR'S PONDERINGS

By Chris Jordan

I stopped making News Year's Resolutions a few years ago when I realized I never really kept them. This year I still didn't make any resolutions, but I have become more thoughtful about some things. A few of the things I want to become more intentional about. Our country, our society, our world are all changing, possibly faster than they ever have with the advancements in technology. We can instantly share our thoughts and feelings on social media. We live in a world where if you didn't hear about yesterday's scandal then you are 'out of the loop'. We also live in a world where politics are more mainstream. The 2018 mid-term elections saw more voters than it has in the past years, many of them in their twenties due to the Taylor Swift Effect (Google it).

I have lived without social media for about seven and a half years. Last year, I purchased a website that has had nothing on it. This January I have begun to utilize my website and joined Twitter. When I rejoined social media, I felt slightly overwhelmed. After some coaching from my wife and daughters, I began to explore and found a constant feed of information and opinions. Some people literally post things at least once an hour if not more and even language has changed. It is not dramatically different, probably imperceptible if you have been in the water all along. Like a frog in a boiling pot...bad metaphor...because I don't believe we should jump out of that water.

So, I believe we have to be active in our rapidly changing world. People still need advocates who will stand with them. If we claim to follow Jesus, then we have to follow his example of speaking truth to power. We have to follow his teaching that no one really gets to the top by pushing others down. We have to be the voice of love to a world filled with hate. And we have to do it without becoming cynical or sarcastic...well at least cynical, who doesn't like a bit of sarcasm?

Get active!

MUSIC NOTES

Input from Helen Davidson, Music Coordinator

Special Music Offerings:

February 3 – Helen Davidson & Fern Wilder

February 10 – To Be Announced

February 17 – Plainfield Chimers Handbell Choir under the direction of Sandra Yeaton

February 24 – Vocal Choir under the direction of Helen Davidson

If you are willing to offer your gift of music as part of a Sunday service, please contact Helen Davidson, Music Coordinator.

PEOPLE IN THE PEWS

Happy Birthday to:

Feb. 1 – Jim Longacre; Millie Ingham

Feb.12 – Joanne Longacre

Feb.21 – Caitlin Yates

Feb. 22 – Joshua Jordan



Apologies are given to any PCBC family/friends who have February birthdays that are not listed. Please consider sending unlisted birthdays to newsofthepews@gmail.com so our database will be more complete.

A giant round of thanks goes to **Dotty Adams** who willingly agreed to help out the News of the Pews editor by addressing envelopes for those who receive their newsletters via USPS.

Congratulations to Grandparents **Jim & Joanne Longacre** on the birth of their granddaughter Maggie Longacre Spratt.

Congratulations to Great-Grandmother **Hazel McNamara** on the birth of her great-granddaughter Beuhla Ocean Sprague.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayers of condolence and sympathy to the family of **Dale Rook**.

While we keep all of our PCBC family in prayer, we especially lift up prayers for: Joyce and children (friend of Jim & Joanne Longacre); Jeff McNamara; Jack & Carolyn McNellis; Grace Tisdale; Sharron Murray; Saunders Family; Nora Cheney; Jo Clarke; Vicki Kuskowski; Frank Orłowski (Elise's friend); Meghan Saben; Sarah Saben; Henry Ingham Jr.; Ann Grobe; Jane DeLue; Don Unhjem; Jan Allen; Thomas Martin (Cindy Patch's father); Gerry Greenan; Timmie Lapan; Annamay Chapman; Rebecca Loomis; Annie Davidson; Bob Duval (Barb Freeland's and Sue Kelley's brother-in-law); Kathy Dubois (Rosie Pelletier's cousin); Ernie Thompson (Rosie Pelletier's cousin)

BIRTHDAY BANK

With input from Doris Mercier, PCBC Missions Point Person

The February Birthday Bank will support the Cornish Rescue Squad.

The Cornish Rescue Squad was founded in April of 1974 and serves the towns of Cornish and Plainfield. It is a volunteer EMS organization that consists of 20 members who range from Emergency Medical Responders to Paramedics.

PLAINFIELD CHURCH WOMEN

By Loretta Weitzel, PCW President

You are invited to join us on Monday, February 4, 2019 for our Plainfield Church Women Meeting in Pierce Hall at 9:30 a.m. We will gather together for coffee, tea and light refreshments as we hold a business meeting and write valentines. Together we will reach out to those around us with valentine notes. There will be cards on hand but please feel free to bring some materials with you to share.

Save the Date: Monday, April 1, 2019

“Beaver: Friend or Foe?” – A Church Family Event sponsored by the PCW

On Monday, April 1, 2019 following a Family Pot Luck Supper beginning at 6 PM in Pierce Hall (please bring a dish to share), Skip Lisle of Grafton, Vermont will speak about beavers, show slides, and explain his invention *Beaver Deceivers*. He will share thoughts about beaver and landscape history, the value of wetlands, nature of beaver/human conflict, and the use of *Beaver Deceivers* to solve problems.

All in the church and general public interested in learning more about these amazing aquatic engineers are invited to attend. If you have questions, please call Loretta Weitzel or Helen Davidson.

PCW Calendar

Meetings are held on the first or second Monday of the Month

Monday, February 4 (first Monday) – 9:30 a.m. - 11 am – Pierce Hall –Program

Monday, March 4 (first Monday) – 9:30 a.m. - 11 am – Pierce Hall – Business Meeting

Monday, April 1 (first Monday) – 9:30 a.m. - 11 am – Pierce Hall –Program

Monday, May 6 (first Monday) – 9:30 a.m. - 11 am – Pierce Hall – Plant Sale

June – Plant Sale and Luncheon

July and August (meeting if needed)

Monday, September 9, 2019 – PCW Meeting – Pierce Hall at 9:30 a.m.

Monday, October 7, 2019 – PCW Meeting – Pierce Hall at 9:30 a.m.

Monday, November 4, 2019 – PCW Meeting – Pierce Hall at 9:30 a.m.

Monday, December 2, 2019 – PCW Meeting – Pierce Hall at 9:30 a.m.

WINTER PALOOZA AT CAMP SENTINEL

WHO: Youth ages 11 – 18

COST: \$100

WHEN: Middle School: Feb. 22 (6pm) – Feb. 24 (2pm)

High School: Mar. 1 (6pm) – Mar. 3 (2pm)

ENROLL now at campsentinel.org

This high energy weekend has all the excitement of traditional camp in a fun winter setting. Campers sleep in Sentinel Lodge in warm and cozy bunk-style rooms. Winter Palooza consist of team games, winter activities, and a theme-based Bible study. This is sure to be a weekend you won't want to miss! Friday dinner – Sunday lunch included. Youth groups welcome.

MASTER BOARD MINUTES

By Sandra Yeaton, PCBC Clerk

November 4, 2018

Sandra read the minutes of October 7, 2018.

Erin spoke about the ice rink and fire pit. The rink kit is 40' x 50'. The fire permit will be in Pastor Chris' name. Erin asked about lights. Currently we do not have lights where the rink will be. Erin will write to the Tasker Bridge fund for a grant. Mark will do signs. Work day will be November 18th at 11:00am with a rain date of November 25th.

Treasurer's Report:

Parsonage repairs are over \$40,000.00. We will need to go back to the congregation for an additional \$15,000.00. Deb made a motion that we have a special meeting and ask for up to \$15,000.00. Nancy seconded the motion. Date: November 18th before fellowship. Jeff made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Nancy seconded; accepted.

We will have a service Thanksgiving evening November 21st at 7:00pm.

We will have an installation service in February.

Annual meeting will be on the 3rd Sunday in January with a snow date of the 4th Sunday. Reports are due in December.

Pastor Chris will write a pledge letter.

Sanctuary will be decorated for Christmas season on November 24th at 9:00am

Rosie asked about internet service in church. Jeff will make this happen.

Doris asked if a Catholic funeral service could be done at church (yes).

The December birthday bank will support the Cornish Church's fuel fund.

Deb brought up the pastor/congregation covenant.

Pastor Chris asked about times available for evening Bible study (Monday & Friday evenings).

Rosie made a motion to adjourn. Nancy seconded. Next meeting December 2nd.

November 18, 2018 – Special Meeting

Deb made a motion to approve spending up to \$15,000.00 to finish the parsonage renovation. Mark seconded the motion. There was brief discussion. The vote passed 29–yes; 0–no

There was no other business to be transacted. Mark made a motion to adjourn. Rosie seconded; meeting adjourned.

December 2, 2018

Chris led us in prayer.

Sandra read minutes of November 4, 2018. Nancy made a motion to accept. Jeff seconded; accepted. Sandra read the minutes of special meeting November 18, 2018. Nancy made a motion to accept. Jeff seconded; accepted.

Treasurer's report:

Deb spoke to the report. Nancy made a motion to accept. Jeff seconded; accepted.

Old Business:

The installation service for Pastor Chris Jordan will be January 13, 2019 at 4:00pm

Pastor Chris has the stewardship letter. Pledges need to be back by December 31, 2018.

The Annual meeting will be January 20, 2019.

New Business:

Joy wanted to thank the board for the assistance with the Town Christmas Celebration by the donation of money from the Ward Fund.

When is the office going to be ready?

Parsonage:

Cabinets are in, but the countertop is still needed. Door is installed between the office and living room. Shelves need to be installed in the office. Stairs in the parsonage need to be done. Clothes racks that are used for rummage sales that are currently in the garage will be stored at the Moore's. Rosie will deal with changing locks on the front door of the parsonage (office entrance). Rosie has been able to sell the windows that came out of the parsonage.

Annette will be in charge of music for the December 8th dinner.

New Year's Eve AA meeting check with John Hendrick.

The fan in the kitchen will be closed off for the winter.

Missions:

January Birthday Bank will support Dayspring Pregnancy Center.

Singing Hills has matching funds for any monies they receive by December 31. Rosie made a motion to give Singing Hills \$100.00. Nancy seconded the motion; accepted.

Doris made a motion that the Christmas Eve offering will support the Recovery Center. Jeff seconded the motion; accepted.

Pastor Chris reported there will be Bible Study on Thursdays in Pierce Hall.

Nancy made a motion to adjourn. Doris seconded; accepted.

CHURCH LEADERSHIP & CONTACT DIRECTORY 2018

CHURCH MASTER BOARD MEMBERS

NAME	POSITION
Jeff Moore	Moderator
Sandra Yeaton	Clerk
Deb Johnson	Treasurer
John Hendrick	Member
Jim Longacre	Member
Doris Mercier	Member
Annette Moore	Member
Mark Overman	Member
Barb Hendrick	Member
Rosie Pelletier	Member
Loretta Weitzel	PCW President

OTHER ROLES

NAME	POSITION
Deb Ryan	Collector
Nancy Scott	Assistant Collector
Erin Barnet	Pastoral Relations Committee
Mark Overman	Pastoral Relations Committee
Doris Mercier	Pastoral Relations Committee
Helen Davidson	Christian Education Director
Helen Davidson	Music Coordinator
Gordon Best	Auditor
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FEBRUARY EVENT CALENDAR

Friday February 1 – **HAPPY BIRTHDAY to JIM LONGACRE & MILLIE INGHAM**

- **9 am – PC Quilters** at the Plainfield Fire Station. For more information, contact Sandra Yeaton.
- **4 pm – 7 pm – Calling hours for Dale Rook** at Stringer Funeral Home in Claremont
- **8 pm - AA** in Pierce Fellowship Hall

Saturday February 2 –

- **9 am – Bone Builders** at Plainfield Fire Station
- **1 pm – Memorial Service for Dale Rook** at Stringer Funeral Home in Claremont

Sunday February 3 –

- **10 am - Worship Service** – Communion Sunday – All are invited to share in this service of worship and praise.

Organist/Pianist: Jennifer Emmons

Special Music Offering: Helen Davidson & Fern Wilder

- **11 am – Eat ‘n Greet Fellowship** in Pierce Fellowship Hall
- **11:15 – Master Board Meeting** in PCBC sanctuary. Open meeting; interested members and friends are welcome to attend

Monday February 4 –

- **9:30am – PCW Meeting** in Pierce Fellowship Hall
- **Noon – 5pm – Basic Footcare Clinic** at Meriden Congregational Church Parish House. For more information contact Stephanie (603) 469–3201 or Laraine (603) 526–4077

Tuesday February 5 –

- **9 am – Bone Builders** at Plainfield Fire Station
- **6:30 - Zumba** in Pierce Fellowship

Wednesday February 6 –

- **11:45am–12:30pm - Willing Hands Fresh Produce** - Free fresh produce at the Cornish Town Hall.
- **7pm – Chimers Rehearsal** in the PCBC Sanctuary.

Thursday February 7 –

- **9 am – Bone Builders** at Plainfield Fire Station
- **10 am – Bible Study** in Pierce Hall
- **9 am-12 Noon - Community Resource Room & Food Pantry.** Located in the handicap accessible Christ Community Church on Rte. 12A. Warmly welcoming residents of Plainfield, Meriden & Cornish
- **7pm – Choir Rehearsal** in the PCBC Sanctuary. Anyone who enjoys singing is welcome.

Friday February 8–

- **9 am – PC Quilters** at the Plainfield Fire Station. For more information, contact Sandra Yeaton.
- **8 pm - AA** in Pierce Fellowship Hall

Saturday February 9 –

- **9 am – Bone Builders** at Plainfield Fire Station

Sunday February 10 –

- **10 am - Worship Service** – “Fill the Food Box” – Birthday Bank to support the Cornish Rescue Squad
- All are invited to share in this service of worship and praise.
 Birthday Bank Speaker: Rob Drye
 Organist/Pianist: Helen Davidson
 Special Music Offering: To Be Announced
- Consider bringing a non-perishable item to help fill the food box

Monday February 11 –

Tuesday February 12 – **HAPPY BIRTHDAY to JOANNE LONGACRE**

- **9 am – Bone Builders** at Plainfield Fire Station
- **6:30 - Zumba** in Pierce Fellowship

Wednesday February 13 –

- **11:45am–12:30pm - Willing Hands Fresh Produce - *Free*** fresh produce at the Cornish Town Hall.
- **7pm – Chimers Rehearsal** in the PCBC Sanctuary.

Thursday February 14 –

- **9 am – Bone Builders** at Plainfield Fire Station
- **10 am – Bible Study** in Pierce Hall
- **7pm – Choir Rehearsal** in the PCBC Sanctuary. Anyone who enjoys singing is welcome.

Friday February 15 –

- **9 am-12 Noon - Community Resource Room & Food Pantry.** Located in the handicap accessible Christ Community Church on Rte. 12A. Warmly welcoming residents of Plainfield, Meriden & Cornish
- **9 am – PC Quilters** at the Plainfield Fire Station. For more information, contact Sandra Yeaton.
- **8 pm - AA** in Pierce Fellowship Hall

Saturday February 16 –

- **9 am–12 Noon – Community Resource Room & Food Pantry.** Located in the handicap accessible Christ Community Church on Rte. 12A. Warmly welcoming residents of Plainfield, Meriden & Cornish

- **9 am–12 Noon – Upper Valley Humane Society Pantry.** Located in the handicap accessible Christ Community Church on Rte. 12A. Warmly welcoming residents of Plainfield, Meriden & Cornish
- **9 am – Bone Builders** at Plainfield Fire Station

Sunday February 17 –

- **10 am - Worship Service** – All are invited to share in this service of worship and praise
Organist/Pianist: Jennifer Emmons
Special Music Offering: Plainfield Chimers under the direction of Sandra Yeaton

Monday February 18 –

Tuesday February 19 –

- **9 am – Bone Builders** at Plainfield Fire Station
- **6:30 - Zumba** in Pierce Fellowship Hall

Wednesday February 20 –

- **11:45am–12:30pm - Willing Hands Fresh Produce - *Free*** fresh produce at the Cornish Town Hall.
- **7pm – Chimers Rehearsal** in the PCBC Sanctuary.

Thursday February 21 – **HAPPY BIRTHDAY to CAITLIN PELLETIER YATES**

- **9 am – Bone Builders** at Plainfield Fire Station
- **10 am – Bible Study** in Pierce Hall
- **7pm – Choir Rehearsal** in the PCBC Sanctuary. Anyone who enjoys singing is welcome.

Friday February 22 – **HAPPY BIRTHDAY to JOSHUA JORDAN**

- **9 am – PC Quilters** at the Plainfield Fire Station. For more information, contact Sandra Yeaton.
- **8 pm - AA** in Pierce Fellowship Hall

Saturday February 23 –

- **9 am-12 Noon - Community Resource Room & Food Pantry.** Located in the handicap accessible Christ Community Church on Rte. 12A. Warmly welcoming residents of Plainfield, Meriden & Cornish
- **9 am – Bone Builders** at Plainfield Fire Station
- **at 6 pm – Soup’s On Game Night** in Pierce Fellowship Hall. Soup provided. If you’d like a sandwich and drink (other than water or coffee) with your soup, please bring your own. You may also consider bringing a snack or dessert to share.

Sunday February 24 –

- **10 am - Worship Service** – All are invited to share in this service of worship and praise
Organist/Pianist: Annette Moore
Special Music Offering: Vocal Choir under the direction of Helen Davidson
- **11 am - Eat ‘n Greet Fellowship** in Pierce Fellowship Hall

Monday February 25 –

Tuesday February 26 –

- **9 am – Bone Builders** at Plainfield Fire Station
- **6:30 - Zumba** in Pierce Fellowship Hall

Wednesday February 27

- **11:45am–12:30pm - Willing Hands Fresh Produce** - Free fresh produce at the Cornish Town Hall.

Thursday February 28 –

- **9 am – Bone Builders** at Plainfield Fire Station
- **Noon – 1:30 Senior Luncheon** at Singing Hills hosted by Singing Hills
- **7pm – Choir Rehearsal** in the PCBC Sanctuary. Anyone who enjoys singing is welcome.

SAVE THE DATE

Thursday March 28 –

- **Noon – 1:30 Senior Luncheon** in Pierce Hall hosted by PCBC

Monday April 1 –

6:00 pm “Beaver: Friend or Foe?” sponsored by the PCW –

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