

What's Happening at SCC

December 11, 2011

Please wear your nametags so we can get to know each other.

Remember every Sunday, your **babies and toddlers** are very welcome downstairs in the Nursery area. Our nursery coordinator, Miss Kayla is awaiting them with fun things to do and loving care!

Visitors & Guests – please note: Guests are always welcome to take part in Sunday School during Service. Older kids may sit in on classes & children, 3 years old and under, are welcome every Sunday to play in the Nursery downstairs during worship

Following worship this morning there will be a **New Member Class** in Rev. Eileen's office at 11:30 am. Not sure if you'd like to join? Come and bring your questions.

Also this morning following worship we will hold our **Second Annual Cookie Exchange!** Join in! Who doesn't like homemade treats at this time of year?

At 7 pm this evening we will hold our **Healing Service**. It's open to all, but is geared to those for whom Christmas might be difficult for various reasons. It's a simple service with hymns, scripture and a message. Come join us and bring a friend.

Parents! All children will be playing the chimes at the 7 pm Family Service on Christmas Eve! New members are needed to fill out the **hand bell choir**. Their rehearsals are on Wednesdays at 7:30pm. Participation is fun! Please speak with Missy McNeil.

There may still be some slips for our **Adopt a Family families**. Speak with Robin Kenoisn to receive one, or more slips, purchase the item, wrap it up, and return to the church. The deadline to drop off gifts is Sunday, December 18th Questions??? Speak with Robin.

Bible Study will be held on Wednesday, December 14th at 7 pm, studying the Gospel of Mark. Meetings will be held at the parsonage, 54 School Street and led by Bob Morris. There is a sign up sheet in Globe Hall. Even if you can only come infrequently, your presence will enrich the discussions.



Friday, December 16—Natalia's One Voice Studio & Zabinski Music Studio's Christmas Concert to benefit Project Haiti for the continuing education of our eight "adopted" children.

Saturday, December 17—please have your memorial poinsettias delivered between 12 noon and 3 pm.

Sunday, December 18th—Christmas Sunday. Following worship we will go a'caroling to area nursing homes.

Saturday, December 24th—7 pm will be our Christmas Eve Family Service, and all children will be playing the chimes. The 11 pm Candlelight Service which will be interpreted for the Deaf and hard of hearing by our own Meaghan Harrell.

Sunday, December 25th—10 am Christmas Day PJ Service.

Wednesday, December 28th—The Springdale Brass Quintet Concert benefiting *Compassionate Care, ALS*. (more information in December's newsletter)



Once again it's time to **Deck the Halls!** This year we will be collecting much needed items for the Blackstone Valley Children's Shelter located in Pawtucket, RI. They are asking for donations of hand towels, bath towels, wash cloths, combs, hairbrushes, hair products and all other toiletries. Please drop your donations in the designated box in the hallway at church from now through the Christmas season. Thank you and Merry Christmas from the Missions Committee and the Blackstone Valley Children's Shelter.

Rev. Eileen can always be reached by calling her cell phone – 401-533-2014

The *Pins and Needles Guild* has a new project under way. We're knitting/Crocheting hats for children who attend Boston Elementary Collegiate Charter School. We have yarn available if anyone would like to participate in this endeavor. Interested in helping out? Speak with Diana Jackson. The Guild meets on Monday's at 6:30 pm.

If you have a new address or *ANY change* in your contact information, please call the church office to let us know of the changes. Thanks.

To all committee chairpersons or designees: Please empty your mail box in the hallway and remember to do so on a regular basis. Some slots are *stuffed* and there isn't any room to put more and sometimes there is important announcements, mail, and/or "bills OK to pay?".

The Bridge Club is meeting here at 10 am on Monday & Tuesday mornings and Thursday evenings at pm. Are you interested in playing **BRIDGE** or taking lessons to learn the game? For further information please contact Clint Wright at 401-529-6674

Parking Reminder

Church – Snow – Parking Ban

If there is a parking ban assume there is church.

If the snow is excessive or the travel dangerous - church will be cancelled

How to know if church is cancelled:

- 1 – Call the church office (401-769-2773) after 7 a.m. on Sunday morning and there will be a recorded message.
- 2 – Check on TV channels 6, 10 and 12 – it will list if Slatersville Congregational Church is cancelled.
- 4 – Check this website – www.wpri.com At home page click on *Closings, Delays, and Parking bans.*

IF THERE IS A PARKING BAN, ASSUME THERE IS CHURCH UNTIL YOU HAVE CHECKED OUT ONE OF THE ABOVE.

If you know of anyone who is *sick or is in the hospital*, please let Rev. Eileen or the church office know!

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