

Central Baptist Church of Westerly, 16 Elm Street, Westerly, RI 02891

# THE GOOD WORD

Carrying News of God's Work into the Community and World  
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**Worship With Us At  
Central Baptist  
Sunday Worship Service**



**Sanctuary 10:30 AM**

Our services can be seen on  
Facebook Live or on YouTube.  
Access is always available  
through our church website:  
**[www.cbcwesterlyri.org](http://www.cbcwesterlyri.org)**

## A Glorious Easter Celebration!



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### CHURCH MEETINGS

**May 2**

6:30 PM Mission Board

**May 15**

4:00 PM Board of Trustees

7:00 PM Board of Deacons

**May 16**

5:30 PM Board of Christian Ed.

**May 22**

5:30 PM Church Council





**CHURCH STAFF**

Rev. Dr. Cal Lord, Jr., Pastor  
 Lynn Johnson, Music Director  
 Dorothy McClure, Administrator  
 Ray Deptulski, Jr., Custodian  
 Don West, Custodian  
 Gregory Kay, Custodian

**Church Office Hours**

Monday - Friday, 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

**NEWSLETTER TEAM**

Suzanne Vanaman  
 Dot Marra  
 Dorothy McClure  
 and  
 A host of other contributors

**Newsletter Deadline**

Articles for *The Good Word*, are due the **15th of the month**. Please submit articles as a WORD document if possible.

**e-mail all articles to:**  
**Suzanne Vanaman**

suzevan64@gmail.com

**REGISTER NOW FOR CENTRAL NURSERY SCHOOL**

Central Nursery School is taking registrations now for the 2023-2024 school year. Please call the church office to receive a registration packet.  
 401-596-4929

**Annual Women's Banquet**

Our Women's Banquet is Saturday, May 13th at 5:30pm. This year you will have the option of Chicken Cordon Bleu or Baked Haddock for dinner. The cost is Adults \$12, Girls 6 - 12 \$6, age 5 and under are free. The entertainment will be provided by our friends at the Granite Theater. A sign-up sheet is outside of Fellowship Hall on the bulletin board. All women are welcome. Invite friends and family.

**Annual Neighbor Day**

Our Annual Neighbor Day is scheduled for Sunday, May 21st. We will celebrate by having our worship service outdoors on the front lawn of the church. Please bring a lawn chair if you wish; some seating will be set up.

Following worship please stay and join us for an ice cream treat.

Bring family and friends.

**OUTSIDE  
 WORSHIP  
 SERVICE**

**NEEDLEWORKERS****Meetings:**

First and third  
 Mondays of each  
 month,  
 9:30AM—11:30AM

**Location:**

Church Parlor

If you enjoy doing  
 any type of  
 needlework, please  
 join us.



**May 6**

**8:00 AM**

Fellowship Hall

All men welcome  
 Bring a friend

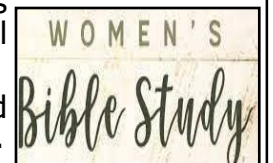
**Wednesday Evening Worship Service - 7:00 PM in the Chapel**

If you are unable to join us Sunday morning, please come join us on Wednesday evening for an abbreviated worship service. We have a short inspirational Bible message, a time of prayer and a little contemporary music.

**New Women's Bible Study**

The study is on four books in the Bible; Romans, 1st Corinthians, 2nd Corinthians, and Galatians. It will be held in the Chapel at 9:30AM, May 3rd-24th. The women will read the book at home, then we will discuss and learn that the early church dealt with lots of the same issues that we deal with today.

This class is led by Geri Maloney.



## PASTOR CAL'S CORNER



Dear Friends,

Excitement is in the air as we move toward summer. So much is happening. We've just witnessed a wonderful move of faith as five people professed their faith in the waters of baptism on Palm Sunday and we welcomed thirteen new members in just over a month. We celebrated Holy Week with some meaningful services and pulled out all the stops with a glorious day of worship on Easter that included three services and lots of music. We began with the Community Sunrise service at the beach. We followed that up with a service at Avondale Chapel. Then Brian Gerbutavich and Skip Terwilliger put together a wonderful breakfast for us with a little help from their friends.

Our Easter celebration at Central began as the choir sang their introit. Then Jonathan Gibson shouted, "He has risen!" and we were on our way. The newly formed Easter Band accompanied us as we sang, "Christ the Lord Has Risen Today." We heard the testimonies of those who had news of Christ's resurrection: Mary, the mother of our Lord (Jane Mandes), Simon Peter (Arthur Burton) and Joseph of Arimathea (Jon Humphrey). The children had the opportunity to look inside the tomb and discover some of the gifts that were left behind. We closed out the service in our usual fashion by singing "Up From The Grave He Arose!" The kids took over from there with our annual Easter Egg Hunt. What a blast and fitting ending to a wonderful day. Special thanks to our church photographers, Jackie Turner and Karen Stellmaker, of Hinkley Hill Photography for capturing all the special moments for us.

As we look ahead there is more to come. In May we can look forward to our Ladies Banquet on Saturday, May 13th. The guys have planned a wonderful dinner and we will be blessed by some of the performers from the Granite Theater's production of "The Lion King Junior". On Sunday May 21st we will host our annual Neighbor Day outside service and ice cream social. That's always a fun time. On Memorial Day weekend we will witness another service of believer's baptism as Rick Mann gives his testimony and professes his faith. We are also hoping to have some special guests with us to provide some special music.

Looking ahead to June we are excited to announce the dedication of our Memorial Garden on June 11th, the opening of Avondale Chapel Season on June 18th, as well as our Father's Day Car Show. Vacation Bible School will kick off the week of June 26th to close out the month. So much fun and excitement is just on the horizon for us.

Our Associate Pastor Search committee has been working hard and interviewing candidates. We are really excited about the prospects we've met. We can feel God's hand on the process. Please continue to pray for the committee and the work we are doing. We will let you know when we have some news to share.

I also want to let you know that we are looking for someone with bookkeeping experience to serve the church. Ellen Rodehorst has done a wonderful job as our church Treasurer for several years. She will be stepping down this year. Please talk to Jim Collins or me if you would like to know more. Our Annual Meeting is coming up on Sunday, June 4th. Our Nominating Committee is working to fill all of the positions on our Committees and Boards. The truth is that we couldn't have done all the amazing things we've done without the dedication of all who have served in various ways. So thank you! I believe the best is yet to come!

God bless! See you in Church. Pastor Cal



## Central Baptist Church of Westerly

### Board of Trustees

The reflooring of the Church has been completed with great success; although there have been several comments about the green carpet on the stairs going to the balcony not being replaced. The estimate to do this is \$5,677. If we can get enough donations to accomplish this, the green carpet will be replaced.

We are still seeking a person with experience in designing commercial kitchens to have them examine our kitchen and make recommendations for improvements as to function and safety.

Jim Collins,  
Chairman



### Treasurer's Report

	March Actual	March Plan	Jan—Feb 2023	YTD Plan	Annual Plan
Total Income	37,258.32	36,378.18	122,845.85	111,834.50	483,138.00
Total Expense	48,782.86	43,960.87	119,444.84	117,595.78	482,884.28
Net Ordinary Income	(11,524.54)	(7,582.69)	3,401.01	(5,761.28)	253.72

Our Planned Giving was less than planned in March but the annual gifts donated in January give us a year-to-date surplus. The expenses exceeded the planned amount due to high fuel costs and pre-paying for the Women's Retreat. That resulted in a net deficit for the month of around \$11,524. However, the year-to-date total is a surplus of over \$3,401, so we have sufficient funds to meet our needs for the future. Your continued generous donations and faithful support allows Central Baptist to serve our members and community. Thank you so much!

If you are unable to come to church, we hope that you're watching the live stream services on Facebook. If you miss it, you can search Facebook for the Central Baptist Church of Westerly, RI page and scroll down. It is also available on YouTube, just search for Cal Lord's page.



#### Here are some easy options for online giving:

- 1 Add CBC's address (16 Elm St Westerly RI 02891) to your bank's Bill Payment site and schedule the bank to mail your check to the church. Add a memo if your gift is for a special cause.
- 2 Text Giving is now available. Message the word "GIVE" to 401-414-4940 from your cellphone and easily send a donation.
- 3 Another option is to visit [www.cbccwesterlyri.org](http://www.cbccwesterlyri.org), then click on Donations link at the top, or scan this code on your phone to access CBC's online giving app. If your phone's camera can't scan the code, the URL for the app is: <https://app.easytithes.com/app/Giving/cbcw>.

You can give either directly from your bank account or ... (for a higher fee) use a debit/credit card.

The app uses the same security as bank web sites, so your personal information is secure.

Also, it allows you to schedule your donations in advance, so 'once and it's done'!

**Please take a look to see how online giving can make giving easier for you!**



**Board of Deacons****What opportunities does God have waiting for you?**

Having just celebrated Easter, it's a good time to remind ourselves that God is always working in our lives for our good according to his purpose and not necessarily our own.

I was visiting family in Alaska for Easter and had the opportunity to hear a wonderful Easter sermon titled "Thinking Outside the Tomb." The point of the message was that God sacrificed his son so that our sins would be forgiven, providing us an eternal relationship with our father God. Given this amazing gift, are we listening and open to the opportunities that God has for us? Do we see the resurrection stories occurring in our everyday lives? Romans 8:28 tells us "that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." Are you open to the opportunities God has waiting for you?

George Rezendes

**Stewardship Moment**

I asked someone the other day, "How are things going?" He replied, "All right, I guess. Nothing's happened today!" There are some days when it does seem that nothing happens. But are there really any such days?

God is always at work. When we look around us and really seek to see God at work, we will find that the sick are always being healed, people are always being saved, lives are being blessed. The Holy Spirit is always offering leadership and guidance. We may not always recognize what God is doing and many things may happen that we don't understand, but God is always there!

Has God been doing something in your life? Have you counted your blessings lately? Don't ever say, "Nothing happened today." Something is always happening! God is still on his throne and is always looking over his children and giving them blessings.

Look around you this week ... See what is happening! If you will notice the changes that are occurring in your own life and in the lives of those around you, you will see that God is at work. As we receive the blessings of God from day to day and week to week, we share a portion of what God has first given to us. We invest this returned portion in doing God's work.

As you have freely received God's blessings, freely give of those blessings.

**Parish Committee**

I'd like to thank everyone who donated Easter flowers for our shut-ins. The flowers are beautiful reminders to those who can't be with us that they are remembered.

Also, thank you to everyone who delivered the flowers: our Parish Committee members, as well as friends and family members of the shut-ins. Your help with the delivery is greatly appreciated.

Anita Greene, Chairperson

## Central Baptist Church of Westerly

### Board of Missions

For years Central Baptist Church has supported the mission and work of many missionaries from International Ministries. International Ministries (IM), also known as the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, works cross-culturally to invite people to become disciples of Jesus Christ and to proclaim, through both word and deed, God's reign of justice, peace and abundant life for all creation. The oldest international Baptist mission agency in North America, International Ministries (IM) has been responding to the call of Jesus Christ since 1814. This month we will look at the work of three of the missionaries that our church community supports throughout the year.

#### **Mercy Gonzalez-Barnes**

Mercy is a regional consultant in theological education and leadership development in Latin America and the Caribbean. Mercy teaches, mentors, and walks alongside men and women that are following God's call in their lives. She provides resources such as retreats and workshops to help her colleagues and fellow missionaries. Mercy is also part of a team of global servants that are collaborating with Palmer Seminary in a NEW Online master's in theological studies in Spanish. This new program makes higher education accessible to many who would not have the opportunity otherwise.

#### **Christine Lafferty**

Christy has been serving God and her brothers and sisters in Nicaragua since 2012 as a part of AMOS Health and Hope. This program provides preventive and curative health services to remote communities with no doctors. Christy facilitates short-term mission opportunities, engages churches and individuals as partners in long-term ministry, and helps create multi-media content that helps share the stories of the people being touched by AMOS's ministry. She lives in Managua, Nicaragua, with her husband, Abel, and their son, AJ.

#### **Katherine & Wayne Niles**

Katherine and Wayne serve in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Wayne works with IMA World Health assisting in the management of health, development, and relief projects. The health projects strive to increase access to quality health care for many vulnerable communities. Katherine is medical coordinator for the network of rural Baptist Hospitals staffed entirely by Christian Congolese professionals. She works to obtain much needed medicine and medical equipment such as ultrasound machines. Together with Wayne they also organize the installation of solar power and computer systems.

May God continue to watch over and protect these men and women as they continue to serve Him and the communities in which they live.

WARM Shelter meal for May to be prepared by the Church Council

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jodi Savage

### Library Corner & Library Room

### Library Corner



The Library Corner bookcase is located in the back of Fellowship Hall. New additions and suggested readings are available. Please visit the complete Library Room down the Nursery School Hallway near Fellowship Hall. There are many more titles and topics to catch your interest. A sign-out sheet is available at both locations. Don't miss the following books!

#### Fiction

#### **The Fisherman's Testament** - *by César Vidal*

This critically acclaimed novel is written by a bestselling Spanish author. César Vidal brings the reader back to the year AD 62. The Roman emperor Nero ordered a military general, Vitalis, to help him with a legal proceeding. Peter, who had been a close friend of Jesus, was detained and interrogated. A story emerges that disrupts the foundations of the Roman Empire. The stakes are high for followers of Christ. This Spanish bestseller brings readers back to a culture far removed from ours but with striking similarities.

#### Christian Living

#### **Sermon on the Mound** - *by Michael O'Connor*

The game of baseball may seem an unlikely means for God to work in a heart. The author experienced this. Michael O'Connor uses humor and baseball anecdotes to share parallels between baseball and God's work. Interestingly, he came to know Christ as a result of Bill Buckner's famous error in the 1986 World Series. This book is a Christian testimony that hits a home run!

#### Family Life

#### **The Power of a Positive Mom & The Power of a Positive Woman** - *by Karol Ladd*

This paperback contains two books in one. It provides a powerful impact for women. Each book has seven time-tested biblical principals which will unlock the potential in any woman. You can learn how to become a powerful, positive force in your family, church, community, and in your world. It is a must read for every Christian woman.



# A Week of Baptisms and Memorable Moments



On Palm Sunday we witnessed the baptism of Riley Gail, Paul Georgetti, Bailey Holstein, Carrie & Duane Maranda. It was a great start to a wonderful day of celebration as we remembered the Lord's entry into Jerusalem. Mike Grillo sang, Cathy Burnside gave the Children's Talk and Geri Maloney extended the right hand of Christian fellowship to ten new members.



Our young adults led us in our Maundy Thursday communion service. Seven of them shared the readings as we remembered the night Jesus shared the Last Supper with his disciples and was led away to the crucifixion and his death. On Good Friday we hosted a service in the chapel and symbolically nailed our sins to the cross as we remembered the Lord's sacrifice.



Special thanks to Jackie Turner and Karen Stellmaker, our official church photographers, for all the terrific photos from the Easter season. A thank you to the Ballesteros family for helping to get the Easter Bunny and his sidekick, Carrot. Special thanks to the Bertsch family for setting out the eggs and getting everything ready for the kids to enjoy.

**Father's Day Car Show****Sunday, June 18****from 10:30 am - 1:00 pm****Bring Dad or Bring a Friend****Avondale Chapel  
Summer Season Begins****Sunday, June 18 at 8:00 am****Pastor Cal Lord will be preaching and the  
Central Baptist Choir will be singing.  
Bring Dad or Bring a Friend****The Persecuted Church****Persecution in the Western World**

The Western World, by which we mean Western Europe and North America, has been on the forefront of proclaiming the truth of the Gospel since the 16<sup>th</sup> century, beginning with the Reformation and the spread of Protestantism westward from Germany. Initially the impetus was persecution from the Roman Church as it responded to Luther's attempt to transform it from within, which drove its proponents to evangelize the countries less under the sway of Papal rule.

As Protestantism gained ascendancy in these countries, such as the Scandinavian lands and the countries bordering the North sea like Holland and England, the established Protestant churches such as the Church of England, persecuted those who dared to challenge the leadership of these State churches. This resulted in our own country being established by worshipers of God fleeing that persecution. What we see driving the persecution is disagreement with those who hold the reins of power.

In modern times we see the most egregious persecution from a powerful government happening in China, first when the Communist government took power in 1949 and more recently as Xi Jinping tightens his grip on power. Lest we think this phenomenon is limited to Asia I will give some examples of what is now happening in the West.

In Finland former Finnish interior minister Paivi Rasanen has gone on trial for hate speech against gay people, following comments referencing verses from the Bible which condemn homosexual acts as sinful. She was questioning why the Finnish Lutheran Church was officially supporting Finland's Pride week. Despite being acquitted in March 2022 she and her Bishop are still being pursued in court by the Finnish government.

In England Isabel Vaughan-Spruce and Father Sean Gough were charged with praying silently in an abortion facility censorship zone. Although they were acquitted, the UK government has just passed a law criminalizing all activities that could be construed as being "influential" within 500 ft of any clinic performing abortions. Isabel Vaughan-Spruce has recently been arrested again for the same activity as she was acquitted of previously.

In California a physical education teacher, Jessica Tapia was fired for refusing to tell lies about biological reality or hide students' gender transitions from their parents. Jurupa Unified School District fired her on January 31<sup>st</sup> after determining it could not accommodate her religious beliefs. The cost of following Christ can be high in this increasingly secular society. This is but one example of many recent job terminations caused by Christians voicing their beliefs in the Biblical view of sexuality and marriage and the value of human life.

Jesus said in John 15:18 "If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first."

Paul says in 2 Timothy 3:12 "Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution."

But Jesus said in John 16:33 "These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

So let us be prayerfully ready to stand for Christ as the Devil increases his attacks against God's people because he knows his time is short.





## Beaver Days at Camp Canonicus

Looking to do a "hands on" local work project? On Saturday, May 21, and Saturday, June 18, Camp Canonicus is looking for all the busy beavers (a.k.a. volunteers) to come to Canonicus and help us open up the program areas and shelters in the woods for the summer. Work days will run from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with lunch provided.

**On May 13** – Volunteers will focus on raking and clearing leaves and debris from the fall and winter. Areas will include Council Ring and fire pits; Benediction Chapel and paths; ropes course; and areas around the shelters and Craft Shack.

**On June 17** – Volunteers will focus on cleaning the shelters, bathhouse, Hansen Trading Post, Churchill-Carey Health Lodge, and Craft Shack.

Although each day has its own focus, there will be many projects for all skill levels. Please let Pastor Cal know if you are interested in volunteering.



## All Creatures Great & Small

## A Special Experience for Grandparents & Grandchildren July 10-14 at Camp Canonicus



Elder Care Ministries is excited to announce that a Grand Adventure will return this summer. This special experience is designed for grandparents and grandchildren (K - 5th grade).

With the theme *All Creatures Great and Small*, the week will center around special opportunities to discover some of the creatures with whom we share the planet. We also will explore God's role as creator and our role in helping care for the animals God created. Our daily adventures will take us to sites where we can learn about creatures great and small.

Costs: Begins at \$700 for one grandparent & one grandchild for food & lodging for the week. Scholarship help is available.

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO DONATE ALTER FLOWERS SOME SUNDAY?

At each Sunday worship service we have two flower arrangements on the altar provided by Broadview Garden Center. These flowers have been donated by those who wish to give them in memory or in honor of someone. Broadview Garden Center follows up by sending a bill for \$20.00 to the donor. The Flower Committee has several weeks available for those who wish to make a donation. Following the service the giver has a choice of taking their vase of flowers or having the Flower Committee give them to a shut-in. If you are interested in donating flowers, please call Mary Schaaf (401-388-8477) or Noreen Gerrish (401-596-5796).



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Flower Committee is in need of a couple volunteers; especially for help watering the outside plants during the summer months. If you can help, please call Mary Schaaf or Noreen Gerrish.

## VBS - Start Spreading the Word!

VBS begins June 26th - June 30th. Shine Jesus Shine. Make VBS the light for your child or grandchild in June. Stellar will launch kids on a cosmic quest, shining Jesus' light to the world. Registration forms are in the church office. For more information or to volunteer please see Marie Bertsch. There is no charge but if you would like to sponsor a child, you can make a donation of \$15. Please mark your envelope accordingly.



## Memorial Garden Dedication



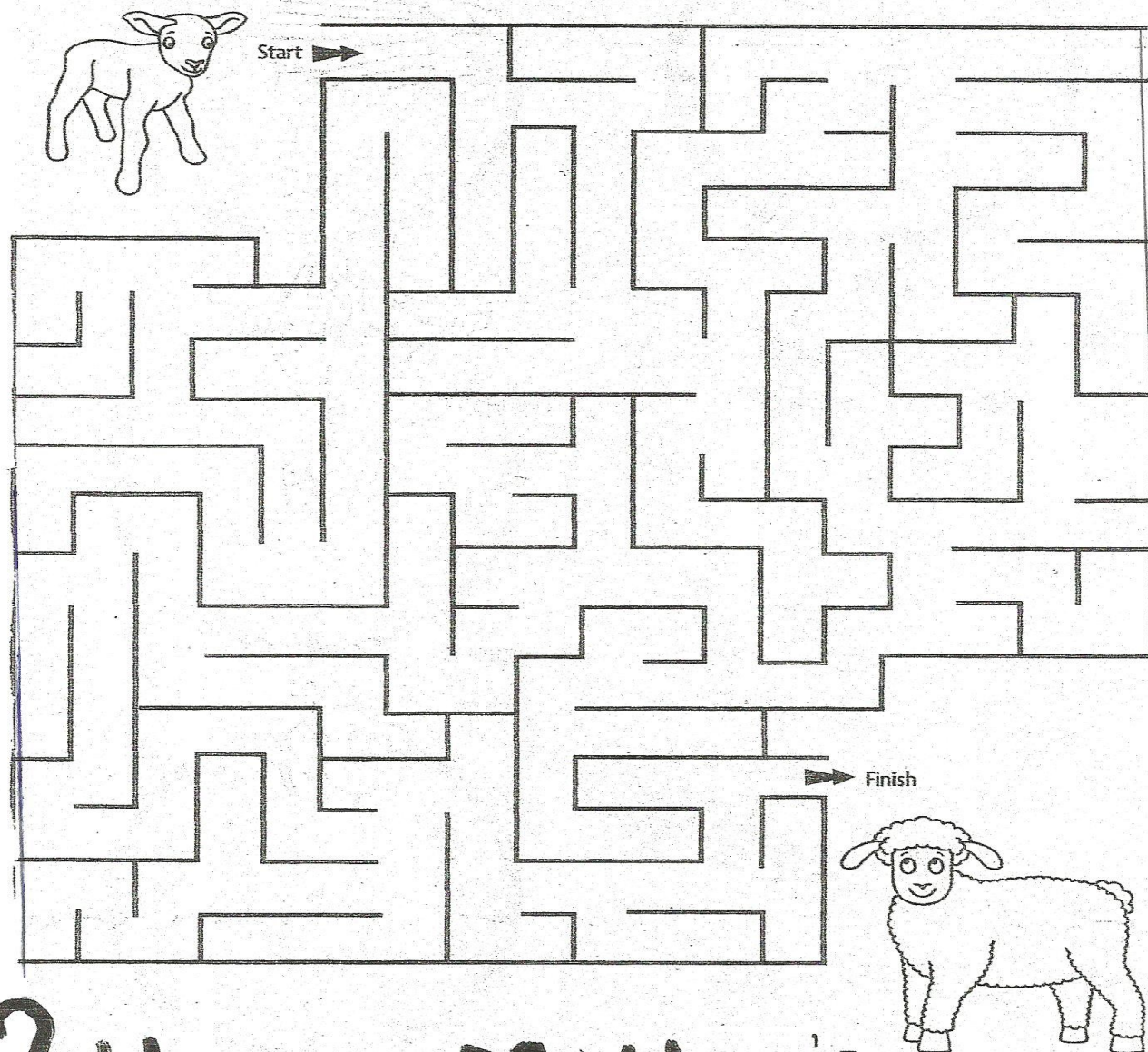
The sod will be going down shortly and the gardens will be going in. The memorial bricks will be unveiled and the additional bricks ordered this spring will be set in place. On Sunday, June 11th we will host our official dedication ceremony. Everyone is invited to attend. It will be a beautiful addition to our building and grounds that generations will be able to enjoy. Thank you to all who made it possible.

# Just For Kids

By Marcia Erskine



Help the lamb find his mother!



♥ Happy Mother's Day ♥



# SMILES AND SO FORTH

Humor, Wisdom, Poetry, Quizzes, and So Forth

By Dorothy Marra

## Angels God puts on this Earth

Who cares for us and guides us.  
You can feel their love and gentleness  
as they walk through life beside us.

They do great things for us every day  
They whisper in our ears,  
they even hold us in their hearts  
when we are filled with all our fears.

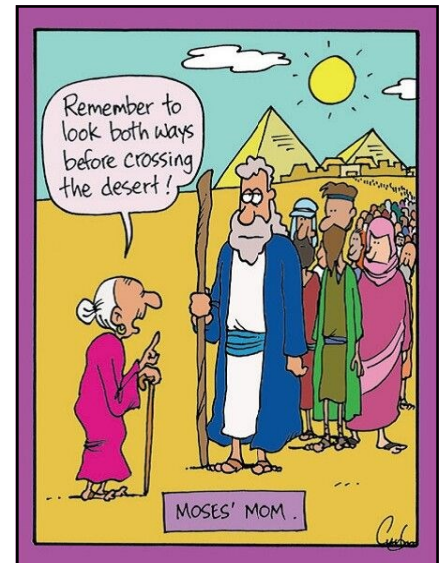
They are always there to give a hug  
and try to make us smile.  
They treat us with respect and love,  
they treat us like their child.

God blessed me with an Angel,  
I'm proud to call my own.  
She's been with me throughout my  
life, been with me as I've grown.

She's guided me the best she can,  
She's taught me like no other,  
and I'm thankful I'm the lucky one  
who get to call her...

**MOTHER**  
Happy Mother's Day

- **Concentrate on the four dots in the middle of the picture for about 30 seconds. Then close your eyes, or look up at the ceiling. Within seconds you will see an image.**



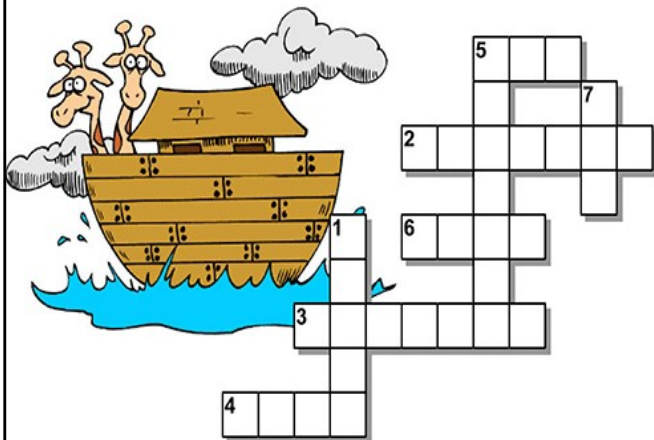
### OTHERS

It doesn't matter who you are,  
Or what you have, or do.  
If you give of your very best  
The best returns to you  
A law of compensation works  
We get just what we earn.

If we love others with our hearts,  
We get love in return.  
The little things we sometimes do  
For others day by day,  
Return quite unexpectedly  
In some peculiar way.

*Herbert Parker*

## Noah's Ark Crossword



Across

2. God put this in the sky
3. A covenant is a \_\_\_\_\_.
4. This means to listen.
5. Noah built an \_\_\_\_\_?
6. Who built the ark?

Down

1. Rain fell on the earth for \_\_\_\_\_ days and \_\_\_\_\_ nights.
5. Noah brought these on the ark.
7. Who told Noah to build the ark?

## Memorial Day Remembrances

"Our nation owes a debt to its fallen heroes that we can never fully repay."- Barack Obama

"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter the words, but to live by them." - John F. Kennedy

"Those who have long enjoyed such privileges as we enjoy forget in time that men have died to win them."- Franklin D. Roosevelt

"No man is entitled to the blessings of freedom unless he be vigilant in its preservation."- General Douglas MacArthur

"Freedom makes a huge requirement of every human being. With freedom comes responsibility."- Eleanor Roosevelt

"A hero is someone who has given his or her life to something bigger than oneself."- Joseph Campbell

"The freedoms we enjoy, the freedoms we take so much for granted, the freedoms we so often trifle with were bought not by the gold of our millionaires, nor altogether the genius of our scientists, nor the sacrifices of the people at home, but primarily by the blood, sweat and agony of those whose names on this day we honor—those who died that we might live!" -Billy Graham

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*We join together to nurture  
Christ-centered faith, foster  
Christ-like maturity, and share  
Christ's ministry within our  
family, community and world.*

Monthly Newsletter





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## Central Baptist Church of Westerly

### Prayer List

Kim Allen  
 Paul Arnold  
 Frank Becker  
 Beverly  
 Annie  
 Jean Caswell  
 Alan Caval  
 George Champlin  
 David Collings  
 Aimee & Jim Couture  
 Jim Cuda  
 Joan & Woody Cushman  
 Margaret Day  
 Debbie (Amy's mom)  
 Ryanne, Matt & Baby Dillon  
 Beverly Dorsey  
 Julie Dugas  
 Mark Faiola  
 Steve Fish  
 Arline Fitzhugh  
 Fred  
 Brian Gerbutavich  
 Judy Grady  
 Joyce Ingram  
 Jessie & fiancé Elizabeth  
 Dorothy Clark Kay  
 Vicky Keane  
 Valerie LaPointe  
 Sarah Lord  
 Tim Lynn  
 John Macomber  
 Sheila Martel  
 Rev. Joshua McClure  
 John Millett  
 Marie Moussie  
 Tim Noiseux  
 Isaac Payne  
 Michael Payne  
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 Don & Deb Plante  
 George Rezendes Sr.  
 Pat Rhodes  
 Ron Rodehorst  
 Gertrude Smith  
 Jean Smith  
 JoySea Smith  
 Bruce Titterington  
 Ukraine  
 Paul Willets  
 Jeanette Wright

## PRAYER

### Our Sympathy to:

Let's keep the families of LuFern  
 Hudson and Curtis Moussie in  
 your thoughts and prayers.  
 LuFern and Curtis went home to  
 be with the Lord last month.



Michelle & Scott Hallamore - 5th  
 Dot & Ray Marra - 19th  
 Georgette & Richard DeBernardo - 27th  
 Ellen & Ron Rodehorst - 28th  
 Pastor Cal & Lori Lord - 29th

Thank you for **THANK YOU**  
 your kindness  
 and sympathy at a time when it  
 was deeply appreciated. Central  
 Baptist, thank you for making a  
 donation in my mother Alices'  
 name.  
 Bill Bliven

whatever you  
 ask for in  
**prayer,**  
 you shall receive  
 if you believe.

Mat 21:22

*God understands our  
 prayers even when we  
 cant find the words to  
 say them.*

*Prayers  
 should  
 be the key  
 in the  
 morning  
 and the  
 lock at night*

### Our Shut in Members at Home

Paul Arnold, Judy Grady, Sheila Martel and  
 Gertrude Smith

### Royal Nursing Home

Jean Caswell  
 79 Beach St, Westerly 02891



### The Elms

John Macomber and Joan & Woody Cushman  
 22 Elm Street, Westerly, RI 02891

### Benchmark Plymouth Crossing

Winnie Hamilton, 157 South Street - Apt 218,  
 Plymouth, MA 02360

### Those in the Military:

Lance Corporal Jordan Payne  
 Cpt. Evan Caval, Ft. Campbell, KY  
 Lieutenant Colonel Brian Gavitt  
 Lance Corporal Christian Smith  
 Greydon Aldrich, US Army  
 David Aiello, US Marines



And all those who serve in our armed forces.

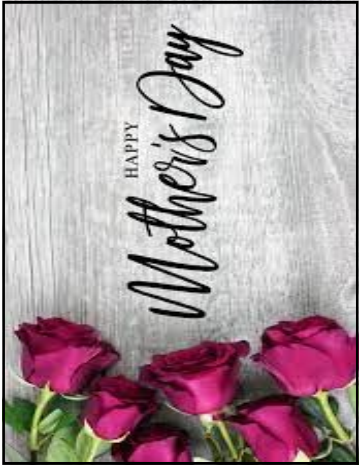
## MAY Birthdays

1 Ellen Rodehorst  
 1 Zach Stanton  
 1 James Stewart  
 3 Judy Lathrop  
 4 Racheal Pennington  
 4 Marjorie Smith  
 7 David Collings  
 8 Sara Champlin  
 8 Scott Rahl  
 9 Hannah Gibson  
 11 Gwendoline Woods  
 12 Michael Grillo  
 13 Linda Engler  
 13 Debra Peterson  
 13 Carol Zwick  
 14 Ron Rodehorst  
 16 Cindy Traendly  
 17 Tiffani DeAngelis  
 17 Bobbie Servidio  
 20 Karen Boeniger  
 20 Sarah Payne  
 21 Ellen James  
 22 Mary Ann Rezendes  
 23 Skip Terwilliger  
 24 Tony Perrone  
 24 Amy Riley  
 26 Morgan Lestinsky  
 27 Dot Marra  
 28 Hope Burnside  
 28 Alan Caval  
 28 Marilyn Gardner  
 30 Edwin Greene

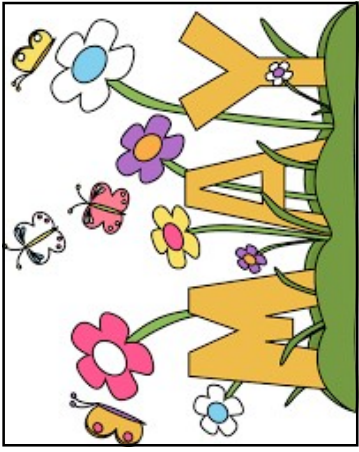
## JUNE Birthdays

1 Caroline Burton  
 3 Jessica Burton  
 3 Nathan Hamlet Jr.  
 5 Mabel Payne  
 5 Kathy York  
 7 Sarah Lord  
 9 Lucy Mann  
 10 David Erskine  
 14 Gregory Kay

*"May the joy that you have  
 spread in the past come back to  
 you on this day. Wishing you a  
 very happy birthday!"*



# MAY 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 9:30AM Needleworkers 6:30PM Young Adult Study	2 6:30PM Mission Board 6:00PM String Ensemble 7:00PM Young Adult Study	3 9:30AM Women's Bible Study 7:00PM Mid-Week Worship Weight Watchers	4 7:00PM Choir Rehearsal	5 7:30PM Worship Team	6 8:00AM Men's Breakfast
7 <b>Communion Sunday</b> 9:00AM Adult Sunday School 10:30AM Worship	8 6:30PM Young Adult Study	9 6:00PM String Ensemble 7:00PM Young Adult Study	10 9:30AM Women's Bible Study 7:00PM Mid-Week Worship Weight Watchers	11 7:00PM Choir Rehearsal	12	13 9:00AM Beaver Day -Camp Canonibus 5:30PM Annual Women's Banquet
14 <b>Mother's Day</b> 9:00AM Adult Sunday School 10:30AM Worship	15 Newsletter Deadline 9:30AM Needleworkers 4:00PM Trustee Board 6:30PM Young Adult Study 7:00PM Deacon Board	16 5:30PM Christian Ed Board 6:00PM String Ensemble 7:00PM Friendship Circle 7:00PM Young Adult Study	17 9:30AM Women's Bible Study 7:00PM Mid-Week Worship Weight Watchers	18 7:00PM Choir Rehearsal	19 7:30PM Worship Team	20
21 9:00AM Adult Sunday School 10:30AM Neighbor Day	22 5:30PM Church Council 6:30PM Young Adult Study	23 6:00PM String Ensemble 7:00PM Young Adult Study	24 9:30AM Women's Bible Study 7:00PM Mid-Week Worship Weight Watchers	25 7:00PM Choir Rehearsal	26 WARM Meal Church Council	27
28 9:00AM Adult Sunday School 10:30AM Worship	29 <b>Memorial Day</b> <b>CLOSED FOR MEMORIAL DAY</b>	30 6:00PM String Ensemble 7:00PM Young Adult Study	31 9:30AM Women's Bible Study 7:00PM Mid-Week Worship Weight Watchers			