

# Chepachet Union Church

## Our Church Life



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### Kid's Church

Sunday Mornings at  
10:30 am

Join us for  
Kid's Church.

Bring your children to church with you and then they are dismissed during the service to go down to their own worship time.



**2 Peter 3:18—“But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen.”**

Fall is in the air! For me, Fall is a time of reflection and introspection.

The “watchword” for 2018 is “GROW” and our memory verse for this year is 2 Peter 3:18.

We had an interesting tomato garden this year. I planted 14 tomato plants, mostly small cherry tomatoes. Some of the plants grew very tall; over 7 ft. high, but these plants produced very little fruit! Other plants were not nearly as tall, and they produced an abundance of fruit. Go figure. It seems to me that there is a valuable lesson or lessons to be learned here. Our purpose, in the body of Christ, is to bear fruit, and in that effort we will become mature in our faith; growing in the grace and knowledge of Christ.

This is my prayer for us as a fellowship: “Seek the Lord while he may be found. Call upon while He is near.” Isaiah 55:6

Until next time, we are “In His grip!”

Pastor John



### Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child National Collection Week will be here from Nov 12-19.

Please start filling your boxes! Shoe boxes are available. We'll need volunteers, so speak with Nicole Hartley.



**Halloween Night Oct 31.**

**Trick or Treating**

**from 6 to 7 pm**

Our 4th Annual Trunk or Treat is quickly approaching!! It will take place in the church parking lot on Wednesday, October 31st from 6pm-7pm.

Please think about decorating your trunks and joining us this year! It's a great time to get together and offer a safe place for kids to go trick or treating!

The Youth Group will once again be offering hot chocolate.

Please see Trish or Nicole with any questions.



## Adult Bible Study

The adult class has started to move through the Gospel of Matthew. God tells us that *“Happy is the man who finds wisdom and the man who gains understanding.”* (Proverbs 3:13). Matthew is overflowing with God’s wisdom and God has told us that if we want happiness we need wisdom. It is better than money and riches because it brings lasting happiness.

As the adult class moves through Matthew we will be looking into such questions in the Gospel of Matthew as:

What is the big deal with that genealogy?

Why are those ladies of less than reputable reputation doing in the middle of Jesus’ genealogy?

What is the big deal with this guy Perez?

What the heck is this lamentation in Ramah?

Why did Jesus insist upon being baptized?

These are only a few of the questions we will try to answer as we move through the Gospel of Matthew.

We would love it if you joined us in our study. You do not have to be a biblical scholar to participate in the Adult Class. Just bring your desire to get wisdom that answers some of these questions and many more.

Our class meets every Sunday morning 10:30 am to 11:30 am in the Adult class room. Everyone is welcome and invited.

Gene Pepper



### INDOOR YARD SALE

Rho Delta will be sponsoring a huge indoor yard sale in Greenhalgh Hall on Saturday, October 20th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Tons of interesting and useful items have been stored in our holding tanks just waiting to be needed or wanted by that special someone.

If you happen to be in a purging mood, you may donate even more stuff – just get it here before the 20th.

If anyone would like to help out at the yard sale, please see Cindy Chace or Stephanie Kain.

Mark your calendars for this “don’t miss opportunity”!



### The Giving Box

## October is the TLC BAGS Ministry

This mission is something started here at CUC a few years ago. These bags have assorted items that we collect and place in large bags. Then anyone from our church can take these bags with them on their travel around the state and distribute to homeless or others in need that they might come across.

#### Items of need:

Face cloths

Toothbrushes/Toothpaste  
Snack crackers

Soaps – travel size

Socks

\*\*Please note that items for the TLC Bags will now be collected/prepared by Nicole Hartley. Please reach out to her if you would like to help out in any way!\*\*

## Rho Delta News



Rho Delta had their first meeting for the new year on September 11, there were 10 ladies present.

Devotions were read by Brenda Rene from the Book of Acts, saying if you have to choose between being right and being kind always choose kind.

The Strawberry Supper made \$970, and thank you again to all that helped.

We voted to buy an air conditioner for the Thrift Shop, hoping that this will help circulate the air to eliminate the smell that sometimes comes from the Thrift Shop. We also voted to buy a new refrigerator to replace the old one in the All Purpose Room.

We will discuss what we will be doing at Christmas time at our October meeting. So if you have any ideas please feel free to attend.

We voted to sponsor a 10 year old girl from Thailand, her name is Nutchcha Boonchalee. We got her information when Uganda Children's Choir was here.

We voted to give \$100 to the American Cancer Society. We will be sending in our registration for the Scarecrow Festival.

### THE YARD SALE HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL OCTOBER 20<sup>th</sup>

We will be purchasing new buntings for the front of the church, and we will get a \$50 gift certificate from Aegean's Pizza for the West Gloucester fireman who donate their time to hang the buntings for us.

Happy Fall from Rho Delta.

Ladies: Our Next meeting will be Tuesday, Oct 9 at 7 pm.



### We are always looking for names & phone numbers, ARE YOU?

Pastor would like to start collecting names, addresses and emails of our church people for a new updated directory. No pictures just information. If you would like to be included please submit your information to the church office by Thanksgiving, Nov 22.

It will take a while to collect, compile and input all this information but look for a new booklet hopefully in late January or February.

If anyone would like to volunteer to get all the info into the computer, please speak with Pastor John.

#### INFORMATION NEEDED:

Name(s)

Address

Telephone(s)

Email(s)

It would be nice if you include all the names of people in your household, and their cell numbers, and email addresses. If you prefer to only include main contacts that's fine too.

Also if you would like to be included on the Prayer Chain (email) or the church wide email for upcoming events please make a note.

As always, we respect your privacy. We do not give out information about our congregation. We do not share this information with anyone.

**So EMAIL us or FILL OUT A CARD** (found on the information table and in pew racks); be sure to let us know.

Deadline is easy to remember: Thanksgiving



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 welcome, witness, and nurture each other.  
 We share the joy of God's love as one  
 family in Christ.*

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We are still taking donations!



**But not until  
 November 4**

**No, you haven't  
 missed it**

**This is just an early  
 reminder that it is  
 coming soon.**



## From the heart

We all need people who share godly wisdom with us.

*Directions: First, unscramble the bold letters to spell another word for "pal." Write that word in the first empty row. Then move the words under each bold letter to that letter's new column. The result will be Proverbs 27:9, NIV.*

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<b>F</b>					
to	bring	Perfume	incense	and	joy
<b>Perfume</b>					
of	the	the	and	heart,	pleasantness
<b>the</b>					
advice.	their	a friend	from	springs	heartfelt
<b>A friend</b>					

Answer: FRIEND; Perfume and incense bring joy to the heart, and the pleasantness of a friend springs from their heartfelt advice. Proverbs 27:9, NIV