

Chepachet Union Church

Our Church Life



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QUARTERLY Business Meeting

We Are Meeting On ZOOM

Due to the current situation with the COVID Pandemic, we are not able to hold a general quarterly meeting of the church in September. Given that we were forced to cancel the May meeting and the fact that the By-Laws require us to hold them on the third Monday of May and September, we are going to try one on Zoom.

The Zoom Quarterly Meeting will be at 7:00 pm on Monday September 21, 2020.

Here is the link to the Zoom meeting for the September Business meeting.

<https://ri-college.zoom.us/j/7290513467>

Please download the Zoom app to your computer, iPad or smartphone prior to the meeting. Use the free Zoom application. If you have any questions or would like to trial or test getting into the meeting, please contact Debbie Servello at deb.servello@gmail.com at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.



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"Hi Everyone! I'm hoping to get back into the swing of things slowly and cautiously. There are many out there who need our help...now more than ever! I will begin collecting items again and of course will do so by abiding by all COVID-19 local rules and guidance.

The Giving Box will be starting back up in September: We will be collecting school supplies for DHS (regardless of the ever changing school issues).

Operation Christmas Child: It's almost that time of year again! Time to start packing shoeboxes!! You can either shop for and pack them yourself or you can go to

<https://samaritanaspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/buildonline/>

and build your box online! As always, shoeboxes will be made available at church.

TLC Bags: We will now be including a face mask in every TLC bag. We have many bags available to hand out to those in need. Please feel free to grab as many you'd like. Donations of any TLC bag items are always welcome!

Thank you and please stay safe,
Nicole





ADULT BIBLE STUDY CLASS

We are in the process of trying to figure out ways to provide the adult bible study class starting in September.

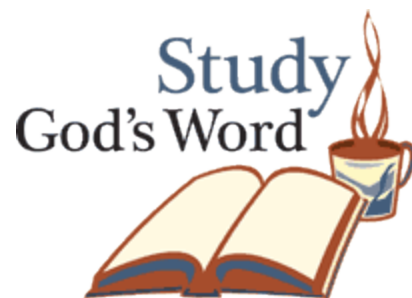
As those of you who attend the class know, it is all about interaction and discussion of the scriptures by attendees. The challenge is how to provide this class in a COVID safe manner. We are looking into providing the class lesson notes on the church website so that those interested in structured study can do personal study of God's Word. Depending upon how many people are interested in group study, we are trying to figure out the in class portion of the problem. The key here is health safety of the attendee. Another option being considered is zoom group classes. If you have a preference let us know. When we figure it all out we will let you know.

Until this is resolved please utilized personal study God's Word. We need to do it every day. The King James Bible tells us to *"Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth."* (2 Timothy

2:15). A great deal of suffering has occurred because people have not "rightly" divided the word of truth. We have seen it in the world, our nation, our state, and even at times in our own church. This is why study to find what God wants and not what we want is so important in our personal lives.

Editor Note: If you would like to would like to share your preference about the class, you can:

Take the Christian Ed Survey emailed a week ago; Email your choices to chepunion@yahoo.com; Leave a message at (401)-568-2518 and we'll pass the info along to Eugene



From The Trustees

A reminder from the Trustees: Please remember to turn off the lights and lock the door when you leave the building. The lights in the church basement and in the hallway do not go off automatically and you need to flip the switch. If you have a key to get into the church and can't remember to lock the door when you leave, please turn your key in to one of the trustees.



The Trustees are proud that our church yard has been looking so neat this summer. A big thank you to our volunteer mowers – George Kain and Joe Huguenin.



Also, a thumbs-up to Aidan Steere who was hired to do the trimming and weed-whacking.

Aidan is a local teenager who has started his own lawn maintenance company (Steere Lawn Maintenance).

Rho Delta News

Thrift Shop News

The Rho Delta ladies are pleased to announce big changes for the Thrift Shop!

With approval by the Board of Trustees and the blessings of the Church Council, the Thrift Shop will be moving next door to the empty parsonage building in the near future.

The thrift shop will utilize all six of the downstairs rooms for gently used clothing and small "attic treasures".

In addition to a good cleaning and scrubbing, a few minor changes and improvements need to be accomplished before the big move can take place.

Construction of a deck and ramp at the rear entrance and some adjustments to the front

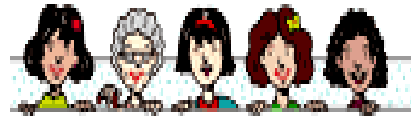


We hope this newsletter finds you and your family safe and well.

Our service is still online each Sunday. Check it out! Follow us on Facebook or at ChepachetUnionChurch.org.

Let us be thoughtful of those who may be ill, be grateful for those who must work for our safety, be mindful of those who may be in need, and be thankful for the blessings we each have been given.

We thank you for continuing to support our church. And ask that you please try keep up your pledges and contributions coming in.



steps will allow for easy access for all our customers.

In order to make a good go of it, we would like to extend our operating hours to 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. every Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

This means we would need at least six volunteers per week to take a 3 ½ hour shift.

We'll also need help moving our inventory from the old thrift shop to the new one.

If you have some extra time and would love to help out, please see Noel DeSarro, Stephanie Kain, or Cindy Chace.



You may mail in your offering to:
Chepachet Union Church
PO Box E
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Or drop it in the mailbox found outside on the wall near the church office entryway. This is lockbox but for safety please leave checks not cash. We do check it every day.



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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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Your Board of Christian Education is working on a plan for Children's Church in September.

At the time of this printing, We haven't finalized our plans.

Keep an eye on our webpage and Facebook page for information on when we will be starting classes this Fall.



SEPTEMBER




WISDOM FROM THE WORD

God makes a special promise to people who study Scripture.

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Directions: Arrange the word list in alphabetical order. Then write the circled letters in order below to complete Joshua 1:8, NIV.

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|  | school | --○-- |
| | paper | --○-- |
| | wisdom | --○-- |
| | read | --○-- |
| | play | --○-- |
| | learn | ○-- |
| | grow | --○-- |
| | pencils | --○-- |
| | pray | --○-- |
| | art | --○-- |
| | student | --○-- |
| | kids | --○-- |
| | apple | --○-- |

“... meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be _____ and successful.”

JOSHUA 1:8, NIV

Answer: apple, art, grow, kids, learn, paper, pencils, play, pray, read, school, student, wisdom, prosperous