

Preston City Congregational Church



**October 9, 2022 -
October 23, 2022**

Church Office Hours:

Monday – Friday, 9AM – Noon

Have a question?

Need help?

Please call: The Office
860 887-4647 or 860 886-7200

MINISTER

REVEREND RAEFIELD PERTEET

Cell/Text: 1-617-866-3524

"Where the door is always open"

Call the office to schedule an
appointment

WORSHIP AND WEB STREAM INFORMATION

Worship services at 9A & 10:30A

For those who are unable to attend

in-person, the 9:30AM service is

streamed live. Go to

prestoncitycongregational.org. and

click the stream button. Previous

services may be viewed using the

archive system on the site.

Live viewings :

10/3 - 28; 2 countries; 10 states;

17 cities

10/10 - 33; 3 countries; 12 states;

25 cities

UPCOMING EVENTS

Bible Study M 10A

Financial Peace M 6:30P

Bible Study Tu 7P

Pageant Practice W 5:30P

Standing Committee W 7P

AA Wed 7:30P Dudek Hall

Choir Thu 7P

NEXT LITTLE PILGRIM Oct 28

COVID UPDATE 3/16/2022

The Standing Committee has
determined that wearing masks is
optional.



Coffee Fellowship

**Join us after
services!**

The Weight of the Glass

Some time ago, a psychology student overheard a boy tell his friends about his worries regarding life. So she approached them and gave them an unforgettable lesson. As she walked towards them, she held on to a glass of water and asked them:

"How much does this water weigh?"

"I don't know," the boy said with a shrug.

"Eight ounces!"

"Wrong," the student said.

"2 pounds!"

"Wrong again."

"What is the right answer?" asked the boy.

"The way I see it, the actual weight — the weight in numbers — is irrelevant. What's relevant is how much time a person spends holding it."

"What do you mean?" the boy asked.

"If you spend less than a minute holding the glass of water, you'll observe that it's fairly light. Meanwhile, if you spend hours with it in your hands, your arm might ache. And if you spend almost a day holding it, your arm is likely to cramp and feel numb," the student explained.

"Oh. I suppose that makes sense."

"Yes. It's just like your worries. The longer you worry, the heavier your heart will feel."

Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to your life? Luke 12:25

Sue Brosnan

PRESTON CITY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH ALL-CHURCH MEETING & AGENDA OCTOBER 16, 2022 11:30A in the sanctuary

An All-church meeting of Preston City Congregational Church is called for
October 16, 2022 at 11:30A in the sanctuary,
for the following actions:

1. To request the resignation (by a majority vote) of Reverend Raefield Perteeet and expect that it will be presented within sixty days.
2. To transact any other business that may be brought before the congregation.

Susan Brosnan
Clerk

Please be reminded that only active members 18 years and older may vote.



Operation Christmas Child is happening NOW! Bring your filled shoebox to classroom #15 (the one wrapped in Christmas paper). The Sunday school children have set a goal of 100!!!! They really believe we can do it. We are also accepting donations to help offset the cost of shipping. You could also donate items and the 7th/8th grade class will help pack a box for you! Most importantly just PRAY for all who are receiving the boxes, packing the boxes, and delivering the boxes. If you need more details visit us during coffee hour. **Deadline is NOVEMBER 6th.**

FALL FAMILY FUN NIGHT is Saturday, October 22 @ 6:30p.m. Meet us on the Field of Dreams for Pumpkin decorating, games, "Jonah", a VeggieTales movie and s'mores. Bring chairs, blankets, friends & Family. Cost is only nonperishable food items. If it rains, all events will be moved to Dudek Hall.

We need your help. The Sunday School is hosting a **Basket Drawing** as a fundraiser on December 11th!. All monies raised helps us cover the cost of VBS, Fun Events, Curriculum, etc.... All you creative people out there now is your chance to **wow** us with some themed baskets! If you are interested in donating a basket or prize of some kind, please sign up on the sheet outside Dudek Hall.

All baskets & prizes are due by Sunday November 27th. Tickets will be available starting December 4th - Dec. 11th after Sunday services. Watch Facebook for more information and to see the baskets.

Our Christmas Pageant will be presented on Sunday, December 11 at 2P. Pageant practice rehearsals will be on Wednesdays at 5:30P and begin on October 12. Wendy Abrahamson is our director and the name of the pageant is **WOW!!**

TRIVIA NIGHT

To benefit the Restoration of Long Society Meetinghouse

Join the Preston Historical Society as they hold a Trivia night on Saturday Oct. 22, at 6 pm at the Poquetanuck Firehouse, 87 Route 2A, Preston. Trivia will encompass a variety of themes, including a category for local history. Great for all ages. BYO refreshments & finger food. There will be prizes and raffles. Tickets are \$10 per person. Please send checks to PHS, c/o Mark Christensen, 15 Amos Road, Preston 06365. Or call Pat at 860-889-2772 or Linda 860-887-5828 to reserve tickets. Or Email - prestonhistoricalsociety@gmail.com

Let us know if you'd like to reserve a table (8) people!! Great way to get the family together.

CHURCH OFFICE UPDATES

TEEN CHALLENGE is coming back to our church on Sunday, October 23rd at both services. Adult & Teen Challenge provides Christian faith-based, residential care to young people and adults who struggle with alcohol and/or drugs. Lives have been changed due to this program. When they come on the 23rd they will offer some inspirational testimonies and song. Please plan to be with us that day. **We are planning lunch for them following the second service and could use some help. Please contact Sandy (860.887.4647) if you'd like to lend a hand.** Thank you

MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY continues at 10A. We will be viewing/discussing season 2 of the series, **The Chosen**. Questions? Contact Chris Burden

TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY is using "Galatians, A 12-Week Study" by Geoff Ziegler as our study guide. The book can be found on Amazon or Christianbooks.com for under \$10. The class will also be available on Zoom by contacting Pastor Scott VanAlst at 860-237-7964 or scottty916@gmail.com.

NEW MEMBERS will be welcomed into the church on November 20th at both services of worship. If you are interested in joining the church, please sign the sheet on the mid-level bulletin board. We'll mail you all the information. Prospective members must meet with the Diaconate on November 13th at 11:30 a.m. Please call the office if you have any questions.

A SENIOR LUNCH is planned for **Tuesday, November 15th** at noon. Rick Alletto and Sandy Dudek are coordinating the meatloaf meal. If you are an active attendee of the church, 62 or older, you are invited to attend. There is no cost to you. Just come and enjoy a relaxing time with others you worship with.

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SUPPER COMMITTEE FALL FUNDRAISERS:

Nuts/ Butter Braids & Cake Rolls- the last day to order Nuts is October 16th & the last day to order the Butter Braids/Cake Rolls in October 23rd with a delivery date of November 5th for all.

Order forms will be available between church services. Orders can be combined and paid with one check. Orders may be made through the church office as well.

SOMETHING NEW: a Rada Cutlery sale!

The ordering will begin November 6 and end November 27, with a pick-up date of December 17. Look for more information coming soon.

The Jean Miller Memorial Cookie Sale will be held on December 17, 2022. Kim Lang will head this sale and will be looking for bakers and helpers soon. More information will be coming.



Are you a Team Player?

Do you like to sing but only with a group?

Would you like to socialize with individuals of the same interest?

Then, the choir is for you.

Come and join our rehearsal on Thursdays at 7:00pm in Hall's Hall.

Remember, when you sing, you are "singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart" - Ephesians 5:19.



LOOKING AHEAD...

Nut Orders → ends October 16

Butter Braids & Cake Rolls Fundraiser → ends October 23

Christmas Pageant Rehearsals Wednesdays at 5:30P

Fall Family Fun Night → October 22

Butter Braids/Cake Rolls & Nuts pickup → November 5

Rada Cutlery Sale → November 6 – November 27

Senior Lunch → November 15

New Members → November 20

Christmas Pageant → December 11

Jean Miller Memorial Cookie Sale → December 17

Rada Cutlery pickup → December 17

LITTLE PILGRIM COORDINATOR

The Little Pilgrim comes out twice a month, on the first and third weekends. Please send information to

be included in the November 4 newsletter no later than Tuesday, November 1 at noon to

Susan.brosnan@gmail.com or 860-889-0768.



CONGRATULATIONS to Tyler Barry

Stafford Springs Motor Speedway SK
Light Champion for 2022!

OUR YARD SALE was a great success! Thank you to all involved – donators, helpers, and shoppers! \$2,265 was realized to support our budget. We were able to share unsold items with Greeneville Congregational Church for their Thrift Shop. There is some exercise equipment behind the annex in the lower parking lot which is free for the taking.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PLACE is in need of toiletries for their clients. Needed are full size deodorant, toothpaste, and shampoo. All personal hygiene products are welcome. Please place your donations in the Elizabeth Allyn box that is outside Dudek Hall. It is the big wood box to the right of the table. Call Pat Marino (860.887.3359) if you have questions. She is coordinating this effort.

THE CLOTHING SHED is always open for donations.

We can accept used clothing, shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, linens, pillowcases, blankets, curtains, and stuffed animals.

Keep this mission in mind when clearing out your closets!



A Coat Drive is being held from November 13th - December 11th. Boots, hats, gloves, mittens, and scarves are also needed.

The items can be left in or on the Elizabeth Allyn box located to the right of the table in the mid-level hallway. Thank you for helping with this mission.

FINAL WORD

