

The LimeRocker

The Official Newsletter of

Lime Rock Baptist Church
An American Baptist “Community Church

~January & February~
2014



From the desk of the Pastor,

Well the new year's has begun and the cold reality of winter is upon us. I have already broken the usual and customary new year's resolutions. Funny how old fruitcake somehow stays flavorful, even when you have to dunk it in coffee to soften it up. But, I have also come up with a new resolution for the year: gratitude.

Gratitude is something that can awaken us from being absorbed in our daily routine and notice someone else who has just provided us with a kindness. Gratitude allows us to stop and become aware of the kindness of other people. It opens the door to positive feelings towards others. Cicero, one of many of the ancient philosophers who valued gratitude, considered it to be the foundation of morality. That may be the case because it opens our eyes to the benevolence of others. Although, as Christians, we are called to actually engaging in compassionate service to others, we have to notice that other people are around. Expressing gratitude to another is a great starting point. Hopefully it will add a little worth to our relationships and at this time of year we will take warmth in any form.

Gene

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, Jan. 19, 2014 "Talk Back with the Pastor"

Sunday, January 26 Annual Meeting after Church

After Church Coffee Hour

The new sign-up sheet for 2014 is on the bulletin board in the Narthex. We are desperately in need of Volunteers for the after church coffee hour!!!!



We are looking for volunteers to supply the refreshments for after Church this includes making coffee, setting up for, and cleaning up after the coffee hour.

If you are unable to do a whole month you can sign up for the weeks you are able. Also if your uneasy signing up to work alone, you can team up with another person or couple and work together. Thank you!

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Thank You's

*To the Lime Rock Baptist Church,
Thank you for the beautiful Poinsettia plant,
that Nancy brought to me and to Everett too!
We are enjoying having it — it's beautiful.
Esther & Everett Wilbur*

Keep In Our Prayers:

Sarah (Sally) Fell is recovering at home after a number of falls, hospitalizations, and time in rehab this past autumn/early winter. Her current address/phone is 1605 Pennsylvania Avenue, Pine City, NY 14871/(607) 873-7273.

Bertha Crompton is recovering at home after spending part of the holidays in rehab. Her address is 7 Ridgefield Rd., Lincoln, RI 02865
Bertha will be celebrating her 99 birthday Jan. 29th.

Our Deepest Sympathy to:

Oliver Perry and his family. Virginia Perry passed away on Dec. 18, 2013. She will be missed by a great many in this community. Virginia was 90 yrs. and had been a member here at LRBC for 53 yrs. Oliver & Virginia celebrated their 66th Anniversary in June of 2013. Over 200 attended her memorial Service held here at LBRC on Jan. 4, 2014



Happy Birthday to you"

*The following members will be
celebrating
January & February birthday's :*

Jan.17	Barbara St Germain
Jan. 22	Ruth Bury
Jan. 26	Ethel Wright
Jan. 29	Bertha Crompton
Jan. 29	Norma Balfour
Feb.04	Everett Wilbur
Feb.12	Muriel Andreoni
Feb.21	Millie Bauer
Feb.21	Gordon Jackson
Feb.27	Paul Bateson

Happy Anniversary to:

Jan.14	Deborah & Ken Plante
Jan.21	Audrey & Ron Rivet

If you would like someones name added to the birthday and anniversary list please call Eunice Potts at 401 333-1906 or email:
epotts8592@hotmail.com



DEC. 29th **Service**

Rev. Gene gave us a preview of a children's book he has written along with a slide presentation of the illustrations that will be included . The book is called "the Littlest Gear" and the illustrator is

Nate Carroll. Nate is a RISD trained local artist.

BABY DEDICATION:

Tucker James Choiniere born on Sept.22,2013 was dedicated on December 8, 2013 .

He is the son of Robert & Caitlyn Choiniere, He has a brother Robert and a sister Elivia. His Great Grandmother Barbara Choiniere and His Grandparents Todd & Kathleen Tucker along with his parents are LRBC members.

FOOD PANTRY & COMMUNITY GARDEN

Part of an article printed in the Valley Breeze in the 12/12-18/2013 Cumberland Lincoln Edition:

Buckley claims \$7,500 prize in Twin River charity blackjack.

Karen Buckley *The Valley Breeze's* director of advertising sales, filled in for Publisher Tom Ward Tuesday and won \$7,500 for the Lime Rock Baptist Church Community Garden and Food Pantry, courtesy of Twin River Casino.

Ron Rivet, Lime Rock church moderator, said when he learned of Buckley's big win, "We're elated! It is way beyond what I thought would actually happen. The community garden volunteers will actually be able to plan its growth two to three years out, and be proactive in its evolution."

Rivet expects that the garden will be expanded, and its irrigation system made more efficient with the funding. The garden grows tomatoes, green beans, zucchini, summer squash, lettuce and some herbs for summer distribution at the pantry.

Some vegetables were lost to animals in the past year, and so funds will be used for expansion and new fencing, according to Rivet.

Remember:

"Church Service Cancelled Due to Snow"

You can now find out if Church Service is cancelled by tuning in to our local television channels such as Channel 10 or 12 after 8:00AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS:

After a successful Christmas presentation, the Sunday School is looking forward to a busy winter and spring.

They continue to work on a special project to be presented at the end of the year.

Several trips are planned over the next two months including the annual bowling tournament. This trip is always well attended and everyone has a great time. We are also planning a trip with the youth group to visit the state house and the RI Charter. This should be very interesting and educational.

Nancy, Carole and I would like to thank all our kids for their dedication and their parents for bringing them each week. We could not accomplish so much without such great attendance. **Susan, Nancy and Carole**



The youth group took a hike through the Lime Rock Preserve last Nov. with Steve Allan.



NEWS from DEACONS:

Deacon of the month for January is Robin Turner

Deacon of the month for February is Christine Maino

The communion offering for Jan., Feb., & March will be going to “America for Christ.”

THE CHRISTMAS SEASON at LIME ROCK BAPTIST CHURCH



The Christmas season was a joyful time here at Lime Rock Baptist Church. The Church was decorated with the greens, poinsettias and a beautiful Christmas Tree with our white Nativity on the altar. The Advent season started off with the first advent candle being lit by the deacons. On Dec. 1st we held our annual Christmas concert featuring Jerilyn Cranshaw, the choir & Marina Zabinski on the piano. The evening was a success.

Gifts were purchased for our Adopt-a Family. This year we bought for a family of 4 girls: Alizone - age 11, Nenesis -age 9, Brittany -Age 8 and Emily - age 6 months. It's fun buying for little kids.

On Dec. 8th we dedicated Tucker James Choiniere and had Pastor Gene's first "Talk Back" after service.

On Monday Dec. 9th., the choir entertained the clients at Atria Lincoln Place with some Christmas music.

The Youth & Children of the Sunday school presented their pageant on Dec. 20th. As usual they were great.

The Christmas Eve Service this year was beautiful and meaningful. Here at Lime Rock it is truly a time with family and friends. The hustle and bustle was behind us and we could celebrate the true meaning of Christmas.

We ended the Christmas season with Rev. Gene reading to us his new book called "The Littlest Gear". The book is a children's book but we all could take a lesson from it.

Wishing all our families and friends

"Happy New Year."

May all our blessing be big and our troubles be small and 2014 be the best year ever!