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### Support Groups at Our Church

Mondays at 7:00 - Women's AA

First Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. - AA Executive

Soup Kitchen (inside) 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Thursdays - AA

### **This Week - February 2 - 9, 2025**

**Sunday -** Fourth Sunday after Epiphany  
Scout Sunday

**New Members Joining, 10:00 a.m.**

Worship Services, 8:30 and 10:00 a.m.

Faith Explorers, TEAM & Teen Issues, 10:00 a.m.

**Monday -** Church Council, 7:00 p.m.

Cappella Cantorum, Rehearsal, 6:30- 9:30 p.m.

Women's AA, 7:00 p.m.

**Tuesday -** Exercise Class with Dale, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

CT River Valley Symphonic Band Rehearsal, 6:30 - 9:15 p.m.

**Wednesday -** Chancel Handbell Choir Rehearsal, 6:45 - 8:30 p.m.

**Thursday -** Shoreline Soup Kitchen, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Senior Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 p.m.

A.A., 7:00 p.m.

**Friday -** Communitas Pasta Dinner, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

**Sunday -** Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Worship Services, 8:30 and 10:00 a.m.

Faith Explorers, TEAM & Teen Issues, 10:00 a.m.

Chili Cook-Off, 11:15 a.m.

### **Deacons on Duty for February 2025**

Anne Bartlett is Deacon on Call, Eric Brown is Sanctuary Rep., and Kelley Frazier is arranging for Lay Readers and Flowers.

### **Birthdays This Week**

John Kollmer, Jr., Dillon Eriksson, Jaxon Nichols (Today); John deLaura (3); Avery Moore, Hanna Moore, Leah Sopneski, Tamara Tabor, Fern Tryon, Neil Hamblett (4); Peter Razowski, Diane Brooks, Benjamin Rankin, Jeff Winterstein (5); Tanner Alsop, Jacob Harding (6); Ed Judd, Jonathan Layton, Jon Ely, Simon LaPlace (7); Peter Thomas, Shelly Houghtaling (8).

### **Annual Reports Due on Wednesday February 12**

It's that time again! If you are the chair or secretary of a Board or Committee or a staff member, you are responsible for submitting an annual report about your group's activities, etc. for 2024. These reports will be included in a printed annual report for our Annual Meeting on March 16<sup>th</sup>. I am leaving on vacation on February 24<sup>th</sup>, so I need to have all the reports in so I can collate them and get them ready for the printer before I leave. I'd appreciate it if you could complete your reports as soon as possible **in Microsoft Word, please!** Thank you!

### **Nuts for Sale**

You can still purchase nuts for baking or snacking! Your purchases benefit the Chancel Handbell Choir

## FAITH EXPLORERS

### NO YOUTH COMMUNION THIS SUNDAY

**Our Faith Explorers will start in Church on Scout Sunday.** Please go into the Sanctuary and sit in the front rows with Sybil and your teachers. We will leave together during the hymn of dismissal and gather in the fellowship hall. We will then have a craft in celebration of Scout Sunday, followed by a scouting snack. Remember to wear your uniform!!

## CHILI COOK-OFF COMPETITION

### ONLY TWO MEATLESS SPOTS AVAILABLE!

Warm up for the "Big Game" on Sunday, February 9, by joining us on the culinary gridiron in a battle of gastronomic proportions. Twelve teams will be facing off in Fellowship Hall following the 10:00 service in our 10th Annual Chili Cook Off. Come taste and vote for your favorite chili, as your vote will help decide our "Chili Champion" for 2025. There will be both meat and vegetarian entries. Chili will be available for purchase. Take a pint home to enjoy during the big game. What better way to start off the Super Bowl festivities than enjoying this delicious competition! Proceeds go to the Souper Bowl collection which benefits the Shoreline Soup Kitchen. Contact Sybil at [ChristianEd@deeperivercc.org](mailto:ChristianEd@deeperivercc.org)

### RAISE RIGHT CARDS - LAST SUNDAY TO ORDER FOR VALENTINES DAY

Consider giving gift cards for things that your sweetheart enjoys; candy, retail stores, coffee, and flowers. Shopping & Adams cards can also be used for your own personal use, or for friends and relatives at birthdays, anniversaries, or other upcoming celebrations. Remember you earn money for the church by ordering cards from the RaiseRight program. Plan ahead though for only **one** order will be sent per month.

#### Adams Shopping Cards

We also have **Adams Shopping Cards** readily available each week in \$25, \$50 or \$100 increments for your groceries or as gifts and DRCC earns 5% of the card value.

**See Elizabeth in the Fellowship Hall** on Sunday or email Sybil

at [ChristianEd@deeperivercc.org](mailto:ChristianEd@deeperivercc.org) to place an order; we can deliver in the local area.

**Cornerstone Fellowship** was formed this year to help maintain, strengthen, and protect our church home. *Why?*

In 2024, Deep River Congregational Church needed full roof replacement, structural repairs, and maintenance of the church, bell tower, sanctuary and parsonage. Work is ongoing and will cost more than \$200,000.

Cornerstone Fellowship supporters are helping DRCC to cover the cost, avoid long-term interest payments, and seed a fund to cover future building maintenance.

To date, Cornerstone Fellowship members have pledged \$156,000 with \$146,000 paid. We hope more will join in helping us reach our goal!

To learn more, reach out to Tom Lindner (860-575-0871), Katie Russell (917-826-6886), Alison Karam (860-906-6264) or Bethany Parks – or visit our website to donate online: <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-2329/campaign/C-150N6>

Thank you to all the leadership givers and caring supporters who have already contributed to this campaign!

**PRAYERS ARE NEEDED:** The unity of prayers from members and friends of DRCC means so much to the recipients. You may not know the names, but God knows their needs and circumstances as you lift them up. Contact Kris Lindner (860-526-5045) or [officedrcc@deeperivercc.org](mailto:officedrcc@deeperivercc.org). If you know someone in need of prayers please get permission from the person before asking to add their names

#### New Requests

Bernadette Zawacki (recovery)  
Jim Snow (health challenges)  
Kim's daughter in Italy  
Chucks granddaughter  
Jim (throat cancer)  
Jeff (prostate cancer)  
Adam (seizures)  
Jay Breneman (stroke)  
The skaters & coaches in the plane crash in Washington, DC  
All those affected by addiction  
All those families grieving the loss of a loved one  
All those around the world affected by natural disasters, violence, war, & political unrest  
Victims & those displaced by the wildfires in CA

#### Long Term Requests:

Claire Rider	Art & Lori
Ed Bushnell	McCarthy Family
Mark Bruscoe	Dottie Davis
Erica	Matt Peno
Jon	Mary Karam
Jerry Clark, Jr.	Noah Krebs
Sharon Netsch (Hospice)	
Kathy & Ron	Carrie
Dale	Ben T.
Conner	Linda & Dan
Lori Wilson	Zachary
Aimee	Benjamin
Baby McKenna	Donna Sheldon

#### Continued Prayers

ALL Health Care & Essential Workers,  
First Responders  
Our troops, Veterans & National Guard  
Residents in nursing homes  
Rita Doug LaFaille  
Nancy S. Harper Darrow  
Kathy Geraghty Kevin (ALS)  
Cheryl's dad, Chester Griselle  
Dulcie Jensen Cindy  
Beth (tumor) Nancy & Bill  
Benjamin Carol Nedobity  
Raleigh (heart) Meagan  
Jimmy & Dean Maureen & Paul  
Curtis Jason L  
Cheryl Russ's brother Robert  
Joe (difficult time) Jean Morrow  
Helen Rankin Art Christianson  
Bill Paulsen Ashley

All who are dealing with cancer (Elizabeth C., Sylvia Tiezzi, Abbie, Bohde, Nicole, Mark, Mason, Robin, Anna, Ralph, Lillian Beardsley, Matthew, Bailey, Linda, Bob, Sue, Evan, Kathy Doering, Carol Perone, Danny McLean, Terry, Gianna Porcelli (in remission, but still needs prayer, Deb Molander Calavas)

**Please review the lists above.** If you have requested prayers for someone and their status has changed, please contact me in the office. I like to keep the lists updated, but I need your help. Thank you so much, Kris

**The Church has received a donation from someone's Retirement Distribution.** The amount of the check is \$100 and was issued from National Financial Services, a clearing house for Fidelity Investments. However, there is not a name or account number on the check. Hopefully someone will come forward to let us know that this is their donation. Please call either Kris at the office or email Dayle at [treasurer@drcc.org](mailto:treasurer@drcc.org).

## **SCOUT SUNDAY – February 2, 2025**

We are proud to recognize the following men and women who have earned the highest award in Scouting.

### **DRCC Eagle Scouts**

1954 Rev. James Zwernemann  
1964 Jim Beaudoin  
1968 Tim Hertwick  
1970 Eric Bengston  
1980 Dom Marino  
1981 Brian Humes  
1992 Douglas Garner  
1992 Daniel Hooghkirk  
1994 Todd LaFaille  
1999 Brian Taber  
2003 Tanner Alsop  
2007 Richard Cyril Higgins, III  
2009 John Bengston  
2009 Jeffrey DeMichael  
2009 Henry Anthony Van Wyngaarden, IV  
2010 Kurt Manning  
2012 Curtis Turner  
2013 Andrew Eaman (Grandson of Evie Grohs)  
2013 William Brown  
2014 Samuel Jones  
2014 Dillon Eriksson  
2014 Josef Lenz  
2014 Bobby Hamblett  
2015 Peter Jones  
2018 Cooper Robbins  
2018 Ryan Douglas

### **DRCC Eagle Scouts, cont.**

2019 Edward Lenz  
2020 Gavin Hauswirth  
2020 Sean Davis  
2020 Michael Roise  
2021 Connor Douglas  
2024 Ryan Conashevick (Grandson of Rob & Sandi Lunn)  
2025 Cooper Edwards

### **DRCC Girl Scouts Highest Award Recipients**

[Gold Award (1980-Present); First Class (1964-1979); Curved Bar (1940-1963); Golden Eaglet (1919-1939); Golden Eagle of Merit (1916-1918)]

1946 Elizabeth Root (Curved Bar)  
1953 Jean Quigley (Curved Bar)  
1955 Anne Bartlett (Curved Bar)  
1957 Donna Sheldon (Curved Bar)  
1979 Donna Dione (1<sup>st</sup> Class Award)  
1990 Melissa Alsback (Gold Award)  
2006 Amanda Higgins (Gold Award)  
2014 Acacia Bowden (Gold Award)  
2016 Katelyn Eaman (Gold Award)  
(Granddaughter of Don & Evie Grohs)  
2018 Sydney Tabor (Gold Award)