

# THE EPISTLE

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## Life

Grace & Peace, Members & Friends of the Rehoboth Congregational Church!

I was out running errands yesterday evening and saw the most spectacular sight. It was 5:00 and it was still light out!

Okay, okay – maybe that is not the most *spectacular* thing that I have ever seen. But in the middle of a dark winter, it is the little things that make a difference for me.

I have heard/read a lot of people saying that the darkness has been hard for them this year. It has been for me, too. Let's face it – it is hard to stay positive and full of life when you look out the window at 4:30 in the afternoon and it is pitch black outside.

... Although I suppose that is when it is time to start looking for light in other places.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. **What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.**

John 1:1-5

Blessings as you find your light,

Rev. Sarah

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## Missions

Mark your calendars for Saturday night, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 PM for a Spaghetti Supper & Bake Sale Auction. More details to follow.

Next Missions Meeting is Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>.

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## Camp Berea

**For all who are considering going to Berea.** Next week a firm commitment of campers must be submitted to the folks at Berea. Please, please contact Mike Sullivan-Silva ASAP ([sulsil@juno.com](mailto:sulsil@juno.com) or 508-252-4413) so a spot can be reserved for those who definitely wish to attend Deep Freeze. A Berea update will be sent to those on the list this week. Forms are available (and necessary) through Mike or can be downloaded from [www.berea.org](http://www.berea.org) with the church permission slip available at the church website.

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## EVENTS OF THE WEEKS

Sun. 2/05	Sunday Worship & Church School	10:00AM
Mon. 2/06	PNP – AA	7:00PM
Tues. 2/07	Choir Practice	7:00PM
Wed. 2/08	Bible Study	7:00PM

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## PRAYERS

**At home:** *Evalyn Muggleton, Marilyn McMullen; Lynne Searle; Antonio Gomes; Joey Cabral; John Blaine; Christopher Brauneis; Cristina Tortolano; Christine Aguis, Marie Erickson; Carol Marcil; Kris Bainton; Debbie Ranaldi; Bob Taylor; Muriel French; Jim Donnelly; Yvette Acheson & Family; Bill & Esther Winslow; Connie Grab; Rene Charpentier*

**Pawtucket Memorial:** Michael Morra

**Canterbury Woods, Attleboro:** *Evelyn Elting*

**Epoch:** *Jack Shepard*

**Somerset Ridge Center:** *Beverly Procopio*

**Long Meadow:** *Melvina Emerson*

**Winslow Gardens:** *Doris Beckett*

If you see something on the prayer list that needs to be updated or would like to add someone ; please e-mail Elaine at [secretary@rehobothucc.org](mailto:secretary@rehobothucc.org)

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## Church School

Sun. Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> - Regular Church School

Sun. Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> – Pancake Breakfast in Church School! (See below)

Sun. Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> – Combined Church School *will be offered* (school vacation week)

Sunday Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>: Church School Pancake Breakfast – We will mark the beginning of the Lenten season with a special treat in Church School. To celebrate Shrove Tuesday (the day before Ash Wednesday, also known as “Fat Tuesday”), we will have a Pancake Breakfast for the children during class time. Be sure to have your children join us (adult volunteers also needed to help serve and clean up).

**Save the Dates:** Vacation Bible School – Jul. 30<sup>th</sup> – Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup> 9:00AM – 12 noon. For ages 4 -11 (6<sup>th</sup> grade). Older children needed as helpers, and parent volunteers welcome!

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## REHOBOTH FOOD PANTRY

The Food Pantry is in need of the following items: Kleenex, paper towels, cereal, any canned corn, beans & peas, Kraft Macaroni and Cheese, soup, canned spaghetti's and ravioli, tuna fish, dry spaghetti, pancake mix, Scott's toilet paper (single rolls), dish soap, canned fruit, applesauce, crackers, cookies, and pickles. Thanks you so much for your hope.

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**Rehoboth Food Pantry is looking for food coupons**, especially cereal coupons. If you have some coupons that you don't need please drop them off in the box on the discipleship table. Thank you.

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## YOUTH GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Lock- in has been postponed to Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>.**

**Super Bowl Subs:** Sunday, Feb. 5- the High School Youth Group Fundraiser. The Youth Group will be making subs during worship service to sell during Fellowship Hour. Meet Neal in the kitchen at 8:30 AM. Contact Neal Manchester [neal@desprinting.com](mailto:neal@desprinting.com).

**Bake Sale Fundraiser:** Middle School Youth Group will be running a Super Bowl themed bake sale on Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> during Fellowship Hour. We will need all hands on deck (baking & selling) to make this fundraiser a success. Contact Katie Griffin [katesummer105@aol.com](mailto:katesummer105@aol.com).

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