





Enjoying the beautiful autumn season? It has truly been wonderful. Some folks practice New Year's resolutions, but others contend that the fall is THE best time to take pause, reflect on the year's blessings and God's faithfulness in many situations, and to intentionally coursecorrect as needed. Which are you?

The Women's Ministry Team has kicked off our new year of ministry and service opportunities, beginning with our September conference with Barbara Arnold. We certainly enjoyed Barbara's teaching and were amazed at how the entire weekend came together to serve so many women right where they needed.

We are looking forward with anticipation to the many ways we can impact women through Bible studies, special events, and *SHARING* our lives with each other. Our word for the year is *'share'* and we challenge each of you to consider where, when, what, and how YOU can share your time and talents with others. We're here to help in any way.

Coming Events....

BOOK CLUB – starts 11/4

Always wanted to join a book club?? Here's your opportunity to share time with a friend and come to our kick-off meeting. We will be choosing books from a variety of selections (bring a choice for consideration). Of course, there will be coffee!

Future meeting dates will be set on 11/4. See you at 9AM at Karen Smith's (131 Southwinds Dr, Wakefield). Call 932-2936 for questions.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING SUPPORT



We are pleased to again offer...

Babysitting Support

for parents to spend a few hours shopping for Christmas while their children enjoy a safe and fun atmosphere.

On <u>Saturday, December 9th</u>, a team will be at the church ready and equipped to spend four hours with your little ones (ages 3-11) from 9am-1pm. <u>Only cost:</u> pack your child's favorite lunch so we get it right.

Call church office for questions (783-2792)

Craft Saturdays

"MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK"

As previously reported, our craft group (led by Laurel Niemi) has been making pillowcases for the <u>Samaritan's</u> <u>Purse project</u> this fall. The goal of the group was to reach 100 and **WE HAVE DONE IT!!** There will be one last opportunity to exceed our goal on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>November 11th from 9am-12pm</u> at the church. Laurel is planning a contest to see who comes the closest in guessing the final total.

???? who will come closest?

The craft group will be taking a break over the holidays and will restart in early 2018 with a new and exciting project: making dresses for children in Malawi (Africa). Read more about this ministry at http://algibsonauthor.com/biographies/mother-ofmalawi/



CONFERENCE REVIEW

On Saturday, October 14, Carol and I (Lori Henry) joined 800 other Christian Women at the Iron Sharpens Iron Conference in Worcester. This was an awesome conference with several incredible speakers, including local author, Lori Roeleveld. There was a time for worship, and time to visit the speakers' tables, where several were selling their books. We came back recharged and refreshed.

Some of the speakers' blog links:

- encouragingwords.net
- CarolKent.org
- taketwoministries.org
- Ioriroeleveld.com

<u>coletteallen.com</u>

Don't miss out on future conference options

Women's Bible Studies

All held at the church

All women welcome to join!

Sunday Morning after worship service

Monday evenings 7-830PM

Tuesday mornings 930-11AM

Annual SOUP NIGHT !!

It's not too early to pencil in <u>Monday</u>, <u>January 15th @ 6PM</u> for our always-popular soup night and another great opportunity to invite a friend to 'share' the evening, a bowl(s) of soup and conversation with others.

Stay tuned for more details....



Going through a 'winter' season?

Asking tough questions of God about the 'why' of a situation?

Allow me to share a quote from a beloved source:

"Our winter seasons, our barren seasons, are when our roots grow deep. This is when we gain a deeper knowledge of our Father. This is when we gain wisdom. This is when we understand He puts the pieces where they go without us doing anything at all".

May you allow God work in you and through whatever 'winter' season you may be experiencing.