

Post-Hurricane edition 2021

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Women's Ministries at First Baptist Narragansett

Welcome to the waning summer days of 2021. It sure went fast (and seems to go faster each year). I trust you've had opportunities to feel somewhat 'back to normal' and enjoying family/friends/activities in relative safety. Also, a shout out to those who have been helping each other with post-Henri clean-up work. So grateful for a storm with less punch than anticipated.

With the world seemingly going crazier by the day, I wanted to repeat these thoughts from last my last newsletter as they still loudly ring through the chaos: *"we are reminded how God is sovereign, He ordains it all, and will accomplish His plans whether we understand them or not. It's up to each of us to make the choice to fear Him, to recognize our dependence on Him, and to seek joy despite tough circumstances".*

Why not take a few minutes to jot that on a sticky note (those that know me well understand my sticky note philosophy 😊). Perhaps add-on a favorite verse about finding calm in the chaos and place it where you see it every day.

Our Women's Ministry Team slowed down over the lazy days of summer, in breaking from our usual activities and Bible studies, with the exception of one event earlier this month. Twelve of us gathered on August 7th to learn from Cheryl Gray Swensen as she openly shared much of her story while she simultaneously coached us in Rock/Shell painting. In human terms, her life has not been easy or problem-free, but she clearly communicated how God has faithfully worked in and through her in all circumstances. Her positive and joyful outlook reflects Him in the many ways she serves others. THANKS CHERYL!!! Our stories are powerful and always encourage others. Don't stop sharing them.

There is much to look forward to this fall as I will attempt to outline:

1. **"Gospel Stories: Tales from the Quilt"** —hear the stories behind the squares on the quilt project we began months ago. You can hear these stories (a few each week) during the next 4 Sunday worship services.
2. **Sunday School begins on September 12th.** Our women's class will be postponed for a few months as we join in the full ABF weekly after Sunday service as we dig into the important topic of Evangelism. The women's class will resume our Mark study later in the quarter (date TBA).



3. We are excited to announce the continuation of the **'Tell-Your-Story' series** in September as we meet in-person on the 18th to hear from one of our own, Cheryl B. We will continue this series until the end of 2021. (See details/Zoom link later in newsletter.)
4. **Ladies Bible study** restarts in September on Wednesdays, beginning on the 15th. We will start by meeting in person with a Zoom link available for those who cannot attend at the church. Same time: 7-830P. (see details, Zoom link, and book information later in this newsletter).
5. **Monadnock Fall Retreats** for ladies are scheduled this fall as they return from covid-hiatus. Lori Henry has offered to be the liaison for our group. The dates are October 22-24 and costs are \$199 (all-inclusive). The speaker is Ellen Garland and theme is **"Vertical: is my Look Vertical?"** That's 2 nights to focus on the topic, enjoy the fellowship of others, and without so many distractions. This may be your year to try it out! You can register directly through their website below...and be sure to give Lori a call to let her know as she will be coordinating ride-sharing (401-742-1976). monadnockchristianministries.org
6. Laurel is resuming her **C4C Crafting Group** that meets monthly at the church to work on sewing/crafting projects. She will restart on Saturday, September 11th from 9-12 noon. ALL are welcome to join at any time.

With September's arrival....
so is the latest installment of our series...

"Share Your Story"

Saturday, September 18th

930-11 AM

Join us for brunch at the church
(sign-up for attendance/food in church foyer)



(may/may not be representative of actual menu)



Featuring: Cheryl Blumenbaum's story

If you have not joined us for one of our 'story' segments, you have been missing out! Start with this one.

We'd LOVE to 'see' you there 😊

If needed—Zoom link: Meeting ID: 828 2928 8171

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82829288171>

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BOOK INFORMATION:

"TRANSFORMING GRACE"

by Jerry Bridges

Available from your favorite
bookseller for around \$13.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY TEAM FALL BIBLE STUDY

We hear the term "grace" as an unmerited gift from God. As the song says, we know it's amazing. However, on a scale of 1-10, how much does grace really make a difference in your day-to-day life and walk with God? Do we sometimes forget about this great gift and set out to do things on our own?

Ephesians 2:8-9 reminds us that *"it's by grace we have been saved through faith...and not your own doing, but a gift of God, not a result of works"*.

Join in our **Women's Bible Study** beginning **Wednesday, September 15th at 7pm** as we examine how grace transforms us and frees us to live confidently in God's unfailing love every day!

We will be meeting in person at the church (subject to change w/guidelines), but also have our Zoom link open as well (see below for link). As always, our Bible studies are open to all women, regardless of background or church membership.

Call Karen at 932-2936 if you need help obtaining a book ☺

as needed---Join Zoom Meeting ---Meeting ID: 875 9603 1402
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87596031402>

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*Enjoy the last few weeks of summer
cuz Fall's coming!!*

But not till the 22nd!!!!

Fall is coming!

