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2024

KEEP
your eyes
ON THE
PRIZE

I press toward the goal for the
prize of the upward call of God in
Christ Jesus.
Philippians 3:14



Women's Ministries at First Baptist Narragansett

Happy New Year! I'm sure you've heard that a lot by now. But I am told that it's OK to say it to someone you have not seen yet in the new year. The one thing for sure is your year is off to a cold start. One place it was warm was at our Soup Night when 120 of us gathered around so many crock pots full of a great variety of soups, followed by a challenging talk by author, Robin Farnsworth. It is our hope to upload her talk to our website in the future so you can hear Robin if you missed her. Save the date for our v.2025 Soup Night on January 20th.

We also announced our theme for the new year at soup night. And that is:
"KEEP YOUR EYES ON THE PRIZE"

The theme was taken from 2 verses in Philippians 3 where Paul said:
"No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, I press on to reach the end of the race and receive that heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus is calling us" (vs 13-14).

It raises a few questions:

1. What had Paul not achieved? (full Christ-likeness on earth)
2. What did he resolve to forget? (dwelling on past sins and failures)
3. What does it mean to "press on"? (energetic forward action/motion)
4. What is the prize? (full Christ-likeness in heaven)

Think about a marathon runner committed to finishing their race to the end. It takes intentional action in moving forward. Our ministry team will be keeping this theme in mind through the many events, Bible studies and activities we plan as 2024 moves forward.

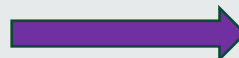
Did you get your 2024 Gratitude Journal (as offered in our Thanksgiving newsletter)???

If you did, I hope you are enjoying finding DAILY things to be grateful for, whether big or little things. If you did not, there are still plenty available and waiting for you in a basket on the back table at our church. Pick out your favorite color and start writing !

We would love to have you join in to any of the times we have planned. See the rest of this newsletter to read about them. And our team would love to pray with you as you 'press on'. Let us know how we can pray.

Karen (for our Women's Ministry Team)

READ ON FOR MORE INFO



THE PARABLES OF JESUS



Our winter/spring Bible study will begin on January 29th.

Yes, that's a Monday night. We are moving our study night to Mondays as our church balances the calendar a bit. And what a great way to start your week!

We will be studying the ways that Jesus used Parables to teach. There are many of them (did you know there are 39?). Some parables you may know better than others, but our deep dive will pull out the many ways we can learn from the creativity Jesus used in his effective teaching methodology.

Study outlines and full schedule will be available on our first meeting.

There will not be an assigned book, but there will be assigned parable-readings and related questions for each subsequent week.

We will conclude this study by the week before Memorial Day weekend so we can commence with summer schedules.

Need child care to attend Sunday worship and Ladies Sunday School?

We have staffed Nursery and Children's Church for 0-7 years old during worship, plus Sunday School classes.

Our ladies Sunday School class is currently studying assorted Psalms with Kerry Hanby as facilitator. You can jump in at any time.

Laurel Niemi continues her C4C sewing groups one Saturday/month (generally the 3rd Saturday, but check dates with the bulletin).

- *There is room for YOU to jump onto this fun time with Laurel and no training is required as Laurel is a great teacher.*
- *C4C meets from 9-12*
- *Participate in projects with a mission focus*

Check it out!

Interested in 1:1 Bible study?

If yes, contact Karen at klsmith627@gmail.com

Child Care



Beautiful things
COME TOGETHER
one stitch
AT A TIME





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**ONE THING FOR SURE IS THAT WINTER WILL TURN TO SPRING
.....unless Jesus returns first 😊**

Stay Warm