

Dear Friends of the

Chebeague Community Church



We are truly inspired by all that we have accomplished together over the past year, thanks to the generous support of our members, friends, and community. The Chebeague Community Church (CCC) has continued to thrive as a center of faith, connection, and service on Chebeague Island, and we are excited to share some of the incredible milestones we have achieved with your help.

We've welcomed new leadership, expanded our outreach, and celebrated with record attendance. We are enhancing our kitchen pantry to improve food resiliency and to better serve our neighbors. Each of these achievements reflects our shared mission of love, compassion, and care. We continue to meet essential community needs that were identified from the 2022 Community Survey: worship services, significant life celebrations, and pastoral care for those facing challenges.

As we plan for the year ahead, we see tremendous opportunities for growth and service. We believe in listening to our community and value your insights as we seek to strengthen our church and deepen our impact.

We invite you to share your thoughts and ideas by filling out our new survey available on our website:
www.chebeaguechurch.org.

Join us in advancing our mission! We invite you to partner with us in shaping the future of our church. Your gift, whether you're a long-time supporter or new friend, will help us enhance church management, support our leadership through a thoughtful discernment process, and expand outreach to meet our year round and seasonal community's evolving needs.

Every gift makes a meaningful impact on the lives of those we serve and strengthens the vitality of our church. We deeply appreciate your trust in us. If you would like to contribute, you can send a check or visit chebeaguechurch.org/donate.

Together, we are creating a more compassionate and welcoming place where everyone is loved, seen, and never alone.

With gratitude and faith,

Rochelle/Shelly Rice

Rochelle/Shelly Rice, Chair 2024

A YEAR IN REVIEW: CCC MILESTONES 2023-2024

- Sep/Oct 2023 • Victor Diaz was offered & officially approved the position of Chaplain at CCC
- Nov 2023 • CCC delivered Thanksgiving boxes to community members
- Dec 2023 • Christmas Eve service reached record attendance with full community involvement, including music & singing by many of all ages
- Jan 2024 • Victor Diaz launched Remote Ministry. Vicki Todd joined CCC as our Community Outreach Director, enhancing our administrative & outreach efforts
- Mar 2024 • Victor successfully relocated to the island. CCC filed for 501(c)(3) status. Easter Sunrise Service & First New Member welcome: Cheryl Buxbaum; Jen Corson; Gail Jenkins; Kathy Kuntz; Scott Lewis & Elizabeth Murphy-Lewis; Vicki & Stephen Todd; Katie Urich; Julie Wright & Adia Ames-Wright
- Apr 2024: • Chaplain Commissioning & First Sunday Communion; Katie Urich shared her singing talents during Sunday Gatherings. Gloria Brown began New Testament Weekly Studies
- May 2024 • Building & Grounds involve community to clean up Church grounds, BJ Abrahamson & Specs Eaton began work on grounds. Memorial Day Community Service collaboration with Historical Society
- Jun 2024 • Recompense Grant awarded for installation of automatic generators for the Parish Hall & Parsonage. Welcomed the Whaler's Summer Community Concert
- Jul 2024 • MacBeth Summer Concert Series collaboration began. Annual Meeting & Lobster Roll Luncheon served over 100, with musical guests: Dana Bourgeois; Melissa Doughty; Sophie, Ola & William Moeckel; Stephen Todd. Summer New Member Welcome: Lila & Suhail Bisharat; Nancy & David Hill; Amanda Mailloux; Erika Neumann. Parish House opened to Summer Community Yoga with BJ Abrahamson & Katy McCaan. Church Summer Book Discussion series began with Gloria Brown
- Aug 2024 • Received Maine Seacoast Mission grant for electrical work to Church Sanctuary & Chebeague Island welcomed the Sunbeam. Vicki Todd & Kel Haney began revitalization efforts of Kitchen Pantry
- Sept 2024 • CCC celebrated its third year anniversary. First Church Supper with New Member Welcome: Rev. Bob Brown; Jackie Cross; John Emery

Summer "Rock Star" Series featuring music by:	Bob Eaton; Chip Emery; John Emery; Dan Ericson; Adele Gorody; Denise Hamilton; Cheryl Hillicoss; John Howard; Kathy Kuntz; Herb Maine; Sophie Moeckel; Sarah Nordin; Erika Nuemann; Tyler Putnam; Sue Sawyer; Elle Smith; Melody Smith; Stephen Todd; Debra Wallace; Toby & Stacie Webb
Guest Speakers included:	Jim Cox-Chapman; John Emery; Vicki Todd; Andy Grannel; Syd Niven; Rochelle/Shelly Rice
Celebrations of Life:	Judy Doughty; Julie Deveroux Glynn; Jane Scifres
Current Council:	Jay Corson; Chaplain Victor Diaz; Betsy Gaston; Kendra McKinnon; Elizabeth Murphy-Lewis; Rochelle/Shelly Rice; Cheryl Stevens; Vicki Todd
New Committee Members:	Rev. Bob Brown; John Emery; Kel Haney; Scott Lewis; Sarah McKinnon-Koerber; Julie Wright
Thank you to our regular volunteers:	Gloria Brown; Denise Hamilton; Cathy MacNeill; Kendra McKinnon; John & Sharon Rent; Cheryl Stevens