

The church calendar for November can be found on p.16 at the end of this newsletter. Or access the current version at <http://bccucc.view-events.com>



Hello Friends,

Just back from Turkey. It was an amazing experience! From the (perhaps) foundation of the Apostle Paul's house in Tarsus and the well from which his family drank, to the foundations of synagogues where Paul and two of the disciples (Philip and John) (perhaps) preached, to the actual outdoor theater where a mob rallied and called for Paul's death, to the house where Mary, the Mother of Jesus, (perhaps) lived out the final years of her life...layers of life in that area go back over 4,000 years. Very moving to me was climbing up to a small chapel carved in the rocks from the 1st century where one of the earliest Christian communities lived.



There was also the experience of ballooning over the unique landscape of Cappadocia, swimming in both the Mediterranean and Aegean seas, and eating food from the land and the sea brought in hours before our arrival.

We tend to think of pilgrimages of early Christian history happening in what is now Israel, but Turkey is just as rich a learning ground. We all learned more than we can possibly keep straight or remember, no matter how good our pictures are. I took 600 pictures and Kathleen 1300. At some point I will choose 50 or so and give a show. It will only be my version but hopefully you can hear stories from others from our 14 church members who did the traveling as well.

Modern Turkey is working as hard and fast as it can to be part of the western world – at the same time recognizing and struggling with its focus on the eastern world. It is a land in tension. Feeling that, learning about that, is always a good thing for Americans. The minds and hearts of those who made this trip have been opened a bit more. It was interesting to me that after all the worries so many had about traveling into the “dangerous” world of modern Turkey, to have a news headline picture of National Guard troops firing gas at college students at Keen State College in New Hampshire, making people over there think of what a “dangerous” place the US is. It is good to get different perspectives on life.

I look forward to catching up with the stories of your life's adventures while I was away.

God's blessings to you all,

Jeff

Special Church Council meeting time

Monday, November 17th at 7:00 pm,

Council will meet with reps from the Tiverton church.

DEACONS FOR NOVEMBER

Pat Rude (star deacon), Susan Seader
Francis Seader, Stephanie Edwards,
and Susan Rotblat-Walker.

*In the event of a pastoral emergency
after hours, if you cannot reach Jeff
(247-1787 home) or Brendan (318-2447)
please call on one of the deacons.*



Don't forget to turn your clocks back
1 hour when you go to bed on
Saturday, November 1st.

Sunday Services for November 2014



November 2		<i>All Saints Sunday</i>
	10 a.m.	Worship Service with Communion and Installation of Deacons
	10 a.m.	Children's Communion in Library then Church School
November 9	10 a.m.	Worship Service, Church School,
	10 a.m.—Noon	OWL Session, Library
November 16	10 a.m.	Worship Service with Sing and Celebrate Choir, Church School
	10 a.m.—Noon	OWL Session, Library
November 23		<i>New Member Sunday</i>
	10 a.m.	Worship Service with Country Music and Reception of New Members , Church School
November 30	10 a.m.	Worship Service, Advent Arts for PreK-Grade 8 during Church School time

Church School for Pre-School through Grade 8 unless otherwise indicated

Nursery Care available every Sunday morning for infants and children aged 3 and under

Handicapped Accessible

Remembering Our Loved Ones Who Have Died

During the worship service on Sunday, November 2nd, we will toll the bell and remember by name our loved ones *who have died since last All Saints' Day (November 3rd, 2013).*

The congregation is asked to please submit names *ahead of time* by contacting the church office at 246-0111 or office@bccucc.org no later than *Wednesday, October 29th.*



"Country Sunday"

On **Sunday, November 23rd** we will have some special music in the worship service as several members of a country group called "**Ragged Company**" will be joining us. Feel free to dress accordingly, wear your boots and drive your pickup truck to church!

Deacons' Installation & Retreat

On **Sunday, November 2** we will have the Installation of Deacons during our worship service. The Deacons Retreat is that same afternoon from 4—7 pm at the home of Liz White.

New Member Sunday is November 23rd

At the 10 a.m. service we look forward to receiving new members into this church. Please join us and welcome those who will become members.



Anyone interested in becoming a member is asked to attend 'Conversations about our Church' after worship on Sunday, November 9th (see page 4 for details)

From our Associate Minister



Dear Church,

I can't believe it's already November! Often in New England I hear people complain about November. Ishmael in Herman Melville's *Moby Dick* says, "Whenever I find myself growing grim about the mouth; whenever it is a damp, drizzly November in my soul," he knows it's time for him to go out to sea. I hope that although we find ourselves in November, it's not November in your soul. It's certainly not in mine! The Church continues to be a very active and lively place. Teaching O.W.L. and confirmation classes, going on hiking trips and service days, preaching, and getting to know all of you better continues to be a great joy and adventure!

November shouldn't get such a bad rep. After all it's bookended by All Saints' Day and Thanksgiving! I like All Saint's day because it's about opening our hearts to the ways our parted friends, loved ones, and spiritual ancestors continue to be with us and live with us in our heart. I personally love Thanksgiving because of how it suggests a remembrance of gratitude, and focuses on togetherness. It's also probably one of the least commercialized holidays as well. (Hallelujah!)

I once attended a service for All Saint's Day where everyone was invited to process around the church and sing the names of the saints. Interestingly enough the saints included people everyone knew or felt in their heart to be a "saint." After each person's name we sang, "Come rejoice with us," and by the end of the service everyone imaginable ranging from people like Ella Fitzgerald to someone's Grandmother were all invited to come and rejoice. I invite us all to rejoice and consider that when we live in a spirit of thankfulness and gratitude for life we join the communion of the saints and even all those who have parted rejoice with us!

Blessings to you and Happy Thanksgiving!

Brendan



ENDOWMENT EDUCATION SESSION

On **Sunday, October 26th** after worship in the Vestry, all are invited to an Endowment Education session. Sponsored by our Endowment and Investment Ministry Team, they will be joined by Jim Sanzi from the Rhode Island Foundation. Attendees will learn about our church's current Endowment and also ways in which they can make the church part of their estate plans.

Refreshments will be provided so attendees can come straight from worship and not miss out on getting their usual coffee and goodies following the service!



The church office will be
CLOSED on
Tuesday, November 11
for the Veterans Day holiday,
and on

Thursday and Friday, November 27 and 28
for the Thanksgiving holiday.



Staff Away

Office Administrator, Christine Wallis will be on vacation from **November 3rd—14th**. During her absence the church office is expected to be open each morning but not always in the afternoons—so please call ahead if you plan to stop by later in the day. Thank you.

Want to learn more about our church? Maybe interested in becoming a member? Then come to...

Conversations About Our Church

Sunday, November 9th 11:15 a.m.—Noon Room 6

Grab a cup of coffee and come join the circle to learn more about our church community. For planning purposes it is helpful to know how many will be attending so if possible please let Jeff know (jeff@bccucc.org or 246-0111 x 103) if you will be coming. Child care can also be arranged if needed—just let us know. This is a very informal gathering so older children are welcome to sit in.

New Members will be received during worship on Sun, Nov 23rd (see page 2)

WANTED



small baby food jars

Andrea Bullard needs them for a Church School project.

If you have any to donate, please give them to her or drop them off in the church office by *Sunday, November 23rd*.



Help needed with Coffee Hour

Sign up at coffee houror sign up electronically!

Our Ministry Teams still oversee coffee hour, but with their reduction in size and number, they need help from congregation members. Volunteers are being asked to sign up on a specific Sunday (convenient to them) to help by providing food, serving or clearing up.

There are **SIGNUP SHEETS AT THE WELCOME TABLE** at the back of Fellowship Hall for individuals and families to sign up on a Sunday that will work for them. Or contact Jane Tonn jtonn2@cox.net (401) 289-2349 who is chair of the Membership Ministry Team.

There is also an **ON-LINE SIGN UP** at the following link where you can sign up for a Sunday that works for you

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0B48AFA82BA0FF2-bccucc1

To sign up on-line you need to create a SignUpGenius account which is very easy to do. The only information that is needed is your first and last name and e-mail address. That way your name can appear correctly on the sign up sheet, and you can receive an e-mail reminder a few days prior to the Sunday that you volunteered to help.



We hope the old saying of many hands make lighter work will be true and this important time of fellowship will continue to be a source of strength for our church. Thank you.

A second **Plant Based Potluck**

- open to the whole community, so invite your friends -

will be held on **Sunday, November 2nd**
from **5 – 7:30 pm** in **Fellowship Hall**.



Organized by church member, Judy Harff, the event is open to the entire community and is for people who are interested in adding more nutrients to their diet.

Participants are asked to bring a completely plant based dish (could be suitable for Thanksgiving) to share with 8 people. Please **NO** animal products and cooked with very little or no oil or salt—and bring copies of your recipe.

A \$5 donation is requested to cover the hall rental. Questions: judy@2startfresh.com or 401 252-9076.

Please **RSVP** to <http://www.meetup.com/Forks-Over-Knives/Barrington-RI/#> For more info visit www.2startfresh.com



It really is possible to be allergic to church! There are a number of people who have a very difficult time coming to church, or staying in church, due to allergies to perfumes, colognes, flowers, etc. You are asked to be as considerate as you can be when preparing to make yourself beautiful and handsome for our time together. Thank you.



**Last chance to order fresh citrus fruit
—and raise money for our Youth Mission Trip**

Do you like the taste of Florida even if you can't get there? Here is a chance to have delicious grapefruits and oranges—for yourself or to give as a gift to others.

As a fundraiser for our youth mission/service trips we are again selling cartons of **Navel Oranges** and **Indian River Red Grapefruit**, or a mixed carton containing both, from Florida Indian River Groves. Their one of a kind citrus is thin skinned, high in sugar content, and bursting with goodness. Most orders are harvested the very same day they ship so the fruit you receive will be fresh and delicious!

Orders are being taken at coffee hour **thru Sunday, October 26th**. It is anticipated that the fruit will be available for you to pick up on *Sunday, November 23rd*, so think about all those relatives who would love to have some fresh fruit as a holiday gift!

Payment is due with the order. Checks should be made payable to 'Barrington Congregational Church' and the memo line marked 'Citrus Sale'.

Use the order form below to order your fruit and keep the top portion for your records. You can keep a record of what you order on the reverse of this sheet. Completed order forms and payment can be turned in to Beth or Ray Zarlengo at coffee hour, or to the church office. **Deadline for orders is October 26th, 2014.**

CITRUS ORDER FORM

Florida Navel Oranges

- **10 lb** carton (1/5 Bushel, 14-20 oranges) **\$ 20**
- **20 lb** carton (2/5 Bushel, 24-40 oranges) **\$ 27**

Florida Red Grapefruit

- **10 lb** carton (1/5 Bushel, 8-10 grapefruit) **\$ 20**
- **20 lb** carton (2/5 Bushel, 16-24 grapefruit) **\$ 27**

Mixed Carton — Oranges and Grapefruit

- **10 lb** carton (1/5 Bushel, 6-8 oranges & 4-5 grapefruit) **\$ 20**
- **20 lb** carton (2/5 Bushel, 14-20 oranges & 8-10 grapefruit) **\$ 27**

Note: Number of total pieces will vary according to size of individual pieces. Weight is an approximation.

Total: \$.....

Checks should be made payable to 'Barrington Congregational Church' and the memo line marked 'Citrus Sale'.



For office use only:

Total owed:.....

Total paid:.....

Date:

.. Cash

.. Check #

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Name (please print clearly)

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Email address and/or phone # for notifying when fruit arrives for pick up

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If you have questions please contact Beth Zarlengo
at zarlengo@cox.net

Keep a record of what you ordered:

	10 lb	20 lb
Navel Oranges		
Indian Red River Grapefruit		
Mixed Carton—Oranges and Grapefruit		



Baked Beads have again rented space at BCCUCC for their annual
Fashion Accessories Clearance Sale

Fri and Sat, Nov 14 and 15

10 am - 5 pm

Fellowship Hall



The RI Conference of the UCC will hold their Autumnal Meeting

on **Saturday, November 1st 2014** from 8 a.m.—1 p.m.

at **Newman Congregational Church, UCC**, 100 Newman Ave., Rumford RI.

Registration opens at 8 a.m. and so does the Peace Breakfast with guest speakers from Connecticut who will share their experience with their church which is a 'Just Peace Church'. The Autumnal meeting includes hymn singing and worship, some business, guest speaker Valerie Tutson, and lunch.

Clergy and delegates should have received the official call from the Conference office (via e-mail) and are reminded to *register by Oct 26th* for the early rate of \$20 (includes lunch). Visitors are also most welcome to attend and should contact the church office for info on how to register or go to www.ricucc.org.



Please support the **RI UCC Outdoor Ministry**
and **Summer Camp for our Children, Youth and Families**
at **Irons Homestead**

by participating in the **6-Hour Fundraiser**
being held on **Sunday, November 9th**.

You are invited to participate by sponsoring Jennifer Geary, the Director at Irons Homestead and member of this church, who will walk/run in the RI 6-Hour Ultra Marathon being held in Warwick, RI on Sunday, November 9th. The goal is to raise a minimum of \$12,000 to insure modest stipends for the camp counselors and nurses.

During 2014, there were 31 registered campers, ages 8 - 18, but sadly 12 of them had to be turned away because there weren't enough volunteer staff. 100% of the staff has been volunteers. In 2015, they would like to offer modest stipends to the counselors and nurses. They plan to start the camping season able to assure parents and campers that they have the appropriate staff in place for the entire summer.

Every one of you is asked to participate in this fundraiser. No pledge amount is too small or too big. You can sponsor Jennifer for an amount per mile or go metric and pledge per kilometer. You can name a maximum amount that you are willing to contribute or offer a set donation. Pledge forms are available from the rack outside the church office.

You can find out more about Irons Homestead at the RICUCC website: www.RICUCC.org – click on "Camp and Retreat". "Like" the Irons Homestead Facebook page so you can follow Jennifer's progress during the race on November 9th.

"Doing Together What We Cannot Do Alone" is more than a slogan or a phrase. It is the lifeblood of the Ministry and Mission of the United Church of Christ. Thank you for supporting Summer Camp at Irons Homestead!

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Included in our church bulletin on **Sunday, October 26th** will be an insert with information about Summer Camp at Irons and a Pledge Form. Please consider making a pledge or donation to support this important program. Helen Schall will collect pledge forms after worship, or you can put them in the offering plate or drop them off in the office.

If you prefer to make a donation, checks should be made payable to 'BCCUCC' with 'Irons' in the memo line. Feel free to use a pew envelope for cash or check donations—if cash please write 'Irons' on the envelope so your donation is sure to go where it is intended. Thank you.



Soup, Salad and "Turkey"

A Fall Luncheon for All Seniors 65+ (men and women)
followed by reflections on the Turkey trip by Jeff



Thursday, November 6th at Noon in Fellowship Hall

The Membership team is sponsoring this fall luncheon get together for all senior BCCUCC members and friends - both men and women. After a lunch of Blount soup, salad and pie for dessert, Jeff Larsen will share highlights of the recent trip to Turkey. All seniors are welcome to join us for lots of fellowship, delicious food and Jeff's presentation.

Please RSVP to Christine in the church office *by Friday, October 31st* 401-246-0111 x101 or office@bccucc.org. We hope you will join us!

If you need transportation or can provide it let Christine know when you RSVP. As it is a week day carpooling is encouraged to avoid any parking issues.

Turkey Trip e-mails and photos

Jeff sent back regular e-mails from the trip to Turkey that he led in October.

The e-mails together with photos were posted to the church's Facebook page www.facebook.com/bccucc and to the church website www.bccucc.org, where there's a link to them from the home page.

For those without internet access, the e-mails and photos have been printed out and are posted on the rolling bulletin board in Fellowship Hall.



Discussion of the UCC's 'One Read' book....

Hot Dogs & Hamburgers: Unlocking Life's Potential by Inspiring Literacy at Any Age,
by Rob Shindler

Sunday, November 23rd 11:20 a.m. Church Library

Join us for a discussion of this book by Rob Shindler as part of 'One Read', a six week all-church campaign to bring the UCC denomination together through reading and discussion, to make people of faith aware of illiteracy and act as agents for change in their communities. We will meet in the library following worship (about 11:20) on Sunday, November 23rd. Grab some coffee and snacks and come join the talk!

Shindler, a Chicago author and attorney, wrote the book to help his son, Oliver, overcome a reading deficiency. One Read is the inaugural event of Reading Changes Lives initiative in the UCC that continues through 2015 to raise awareness about how illiteracy directly impacts a range of social justice issues.

Copies of *Hot Dogs and Hamburgers* are available for purchase in the church office for \$8.00 each. Contact Helen Schall 245-4724 or helenschall@hotmail.com for more information.



Free Electronics Recycling Event

On **Saturday, November 15th from 8 am to Noon, Barrington Presbyterian Church**, 400 County Road will sponsor a free electronics recycling event with Goodwill Industries of Rhode Island—rain or shine! Goodwill accepts any and all electronics, whether or not they are in working order. If you no longer need it, bring it to the event! All proceeds go directly to Goodwill's job training programs for Rhode Island youth and adults with disabilities and other barrier to employment. If you have any questions, please call 401 861 2028 x 144.





All are invited to attend the Barrington Clergy Association's
ANNUAL INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Monday, November 24th 7 p.m.

Barrington Congregational Church, UCC

This is a service of song and sharing from the different houses of worship in Barrington. It will be followed by a time of refreshment and fellowship.

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Please bring a non-perishable food item for TapIn. Monetary donations will also be accepted.



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Apple Cider and Volunteers Needed: As we are hosting the service, we have been asked to provide the apple cider. We will also need some volunteers to organize the reception in Fellowship Hall following the service. Participants from the other houses of worship will provide the cookies and baked goods. If you can provide a gallon or more of cider, or help with the reception, please contact Jeff at jeff@bccucc.org or 246-0111 x 103. Thank you.

Praying with Your Neighbors

Three Local Houses of Worship Open Their Doors to All

The members of the Barrington Interfaith Clergy Association strive to bring people of diverse faith traditions together and nurture our shared spiritual bond. We all benefit when people of different faith traditions (or no faith tradition) are able to share their beliefs and learn with and from one another.

Barrington is blessed with a vibrant collection of houses of worship, three of which will host open houses this year, welcoming everyone in to get a close up view of how they worship. Our plan is to have three other houses of worship do the same next year so that we can all experience the unique ways that others express their faith.

Everyone is invited to all of these open services regardless of your affiliation or non-affiliation. Here is this year's schedule:

Friday, November 21, 2014, 7:30PM

Temple Habonim - Friday Night Shabbat Service with a special musical healing service
165 New Meadow Road, Barrington RI 02806



Tuesday, January 6, 2015, 7:30PM

Sts. Matthew & Mark Episcopal Church - Celebration of the Feast of the Epiphany
5 Chapel Road, Barrington RI 02806



Wednesday, March 25, 2015, 7:30PM

St. James Lutheran Church - Contemporary Praise Service
49 Middle Highway, Barrington RI 02806

Sponsored by the Barrington Interfaith Clergy Association:

- Rev. Brendan Curran, Associate Minister, Barrington Congregational Church, UCC
- Rev. Patrick Greene, Saints Matthew and Mark Episcopal Church
- Rabbi Andrew Klein, Temple Habonim
- Rev. Jeffrey Larsen, Senior Minister, Barrington Congregational Church, UCC
- Rev. Byungmoo Lee, Barrington United Methodist Church
- Rev. Patrick Notley, Barrington Presbyterian Church
- Pastor Andrew Simon, St. James Lutheran Church



Thanksgiving Food Drive for TAPIN

The Mission and Justice Ministry Team is once again sponsoring a food drive to benefit the TAPIN food pantry and their Thanksgiving program. The various different houses of worship in the area are being asked to supply specific food items. This will be to supplement the items that TapIn receives from the RI Food Bank.



BCCUCC has been asked to donate the following items for the Thanksgiving Packages:

Instant Mashed Potatoes
Boxes of Brownie Mix

Other food items may also be donated, but these are the ones needed for the Thanksgiving food packages.

TapIn plans to provide Thanksgiving Food packages for **over 400 families in the East Bay area** and is very appreciative of the donations from everyone that enables them to do this.

The TapIn Thanksgiving Food collection **began on Sunday, October 19th and continues through November 9th.**



Mobile Loaves and Fishes Truck Run

BCCUCC is sponsoring the Mobile Loaves and Fishes (MLF) run on **Wednesday, November 26th.**

We will travel to various locations in Providence serving those in need, offering fellowship, food, clothing, and toiletries.

Preparation begins at 4:00 p.m. at BCCUCC. We will head to Providence around 5:30 and return to BCCUCC around 7:30 p.m.

There are many jobs involved in getting the truck stocked and ready to serve; much help is needed with:

- donations of food items* (refer to www.signupgenius.com for specifics)
- donations of **men's** new boxer shorts, t-shirts, white socks and toiletries**
- preparation of food
- going out with the truck and passing out food and clothing from the truck
- cleaning out the truck when it returns to BCCUCC

**we need
your help!**

* Food items needed for stocking the truck include: granola bars, single-serve applesauce and pudding, cookies, potato chips, peanut butter and jelly, bread, hard boiled eggs, fruit, water bottles, juice bottles and milk.

** Collection boxes will be available in Fellowship Hall.

Please sign up if you can help.....

There is an online sign up at www.signupgenius.com for either donating items or helping with preparation etc. Click on the 'Find a Sign Up' tab near the top, and then search by typing in the church's e-mail address office@bccucc.org. The next page will list Active SignUps for our church - the one current one listed is 'Mobile Loaves and Fishes Wed Nov 26'. Click on the link to access the sign up sheet.

You will need to create an account by giving your first and last name and your e-mail address. You can then sign up for whatever you would like and your name will appear on the sign up sheet as you listed it when you created your account. You can even schedule it to send you an email reminder a few days beforehand!

If you can't sign up online and want to help, or just have questions, please contact Jay or Phyllis Buckley at 401-245-1098 or pbuckley6@cox.net.

For more info about Mobile Loaves and Fishes visit www.mlf.org.

CHILDREN'S

Children's Communion



On Sunday, November 2nd there will be a separate Children's Communion service at 10 a.m. in the Library. Children should go directly to the library when they arrive that day. Following the service, they will go to their Church School classes.

Junior Youth Group for Grades 6-8

Sunday, November 9th 12—3 pm **Skyzone Tampoline Park**, East Providence

Bring: \$20

Includes: Lunch, 60 minutes of jumping and jumping socks

R.S.V.P: First-Come, First-Serve this go around! We will pre-purchase 12 tickets. We can only guarantee this many spots but will try for more later if the response exceeds this. *Please respond to the leaders (see info below) by Monday, November 3rd and complete an online waiver at <https://providencestore.skyzone.com/waiver/>*



We'll gather at church at noon for lunch and a brief meeting before heading out for an hour of jumping fun.

Contact JYG leaders Laurie Dubel, Ginger Stabach or Kimberley Zeleznik at bccjpf@gmail.com to RSVP, for more information, or to be added to their e-mail list. All youth in grades 6 thru 8 are welcome!

Noteworthy - this is a Bye week for the Patriots - great timing!

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Sunday, December 14th: Christmas Caroling, followed by a JYG Christmas Party

Ho! Ho! Ho! A caroling we go!

Time: Afternoon (exact hours to be announced later)

Bring: Cookies, \$10 grab-bag gift for youth exchange.

Join us in spreading holiday cheer through area nursing homes. If you have a musical instrument you'd like to play, the seniors and we would really enjoy listening... even if it's not perfect, really! Following caroling we'll return to the Dubel home for cookies, cocoa and a bit of our own cheer. Bring cookies and a \$10 grab-bag gift to exchange. There will be a prize for the person dressed most festively for the event, ugly sweaters welcomed.



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Reflecting on our ministry at the Soup Kitchen:

Once again, our Junior Youth Group showed great spirit while we fed many. Thank you to the youth and adults who participated in cooking, shopping and serving for the Park Street Christian Soup Kitchen on Saturday, October 4th in downtown Pawtucket.

More photos can be seen on the church website under Education / Youth / Middle School Youth (JYG).

“Advent Adventures 2014” A RICUCC Youth Group Event for Grades 5 - 8.

Sunday, Nov. 30th, 1:30—4 pm Newman Congregational Church, 100 Newman Ave., Rumford RI

YOUTH WILL ROTATE AROUND 4 CENTERS:

Sweet Treats and Sweet Christmas Sounds — Make Ice Cream Sandwich Cookies and Sing Christmas Carols

Hot Cider and Conversation — Sip on cider and discuss preparing for the Advent Season

Advent Giant Card Memory Game — Play the memory game and learn about the Advent symbols

“Holy” Candle Making — Crush crayons and ice cubes to make a “Holy” Christmas Candle (with holes)

COME AS A YOUTH GROUP OR INDIVIDUALLY.

Fee: \$3 per youth RSVP by Nov 24th to Kristin Putney (774) 991-1555 or mitchmoon12@hotmail.com

CONFIRMATION

Sunday, November 2nd from 6—8 pm: Confirmation Class in the library

Saturday, November 8th from 1—5:30 pm: RI Conference **Confirmation Mission Day**.

Confirmation groups from various churches including our own will go to Central Congregational Church, 296 Angell Street, Providence. From there they will be sent out in teams to serve at homeless shelters, feeding programs, food banks and pantries throughout Greater Providence. The event will conclude back at Central with sharing experiences, pizza and worship.

This is a required event for the confirmation class.

Fee: \$3 per youth. Meet at the church at **12:15 pm** to go to Providence. Expected return at church by **6 pm**.



Senior Youth Group for Grades 9-12

Sunday, October 26th from 1—4:30 pm. **Hiking** at the Norman Bird Sanctuary, 583 Third Beach Road, Middletown RI. Cost is \$6 per person. Meet at church at 1 pm. Those going should RSVP to Brendan a.s.a.p.

Saturday, November 8th The Senior Youth Group will join the Confirmation Class in attending the RI Conference's **Day of Mission and Service** from 1—5:30 pm all over Greater Providence. All in grades 9-12 (The Senior Youth Group), especially those who have been confirmed, are encouraged to come and support this year's confirmation class and participate in the day of service. For details see article above. This is a required event for the confirmation class. *All others please RSVP by November 3rd to Brendan.*

Sunday November 16th from 1-3 pm. The Senior Youth Group will be meeting in Room 9 for **pizza, mural designing, and planning the 2015 Mission Trip!**

In Acts 2:17 we read that, "The young people will have visions." The young people in grades 9-12 are all invited and asked to please bring their visions for the mural and for the Mission Trip planning! We look forward to seeing you!

Wednesday, November 26th The Senior Youth Group will join other members of our church in **volunteering with Mobile Loaves and Fishes**. More details to come! This is a great opportunity to be together and to give to others during a time when we reflect on being thankful for what we have. (see page 9 for info about MLF).

Contact Brendan Curran to RSVP or with questions about any of these activities at (401) 318-2447 or 246-0111 x 104 or Brendan@bccucc.org



OWL Sessions

Our Whole Lives—Sexuality & Our Faith
Sunday, November 9th & 16th
from 10 a.m.—Noon in the library.

On Sunday, November 30th after the Children's Message, children in grades PreK through 8th are invited to Fellowship Hall for **ADVENT ARTS**. There will be old favorites like making reindeer food and pinecone bird feeders, and there will also be new crafts that won't be revealed until then! Please plan on having fun!

Children's Worship Bulletins

We are now offering **new children's bulletins** each week with two different versions – one for **ages 3-6** and one for **ages 7-12**. They are available from a basket on the table in the narthex – near where the greeters stand. Parents are asked to pick up whichever bulletin they need for their child as they come into church.



The **Sing & Celebrate Choir** is open to all children (boys and girls) in Grades 1-5. Rehearsals are scheduled for after worship in Room 9 on Oct 26th, Nov 2nd, 9th, 23rd, and Dec 7th. They will sing in church during the worship service on Nov 16th and Dec 14th (for Jazz Christmas Sunday). Any child interested in joining them at rehearsals in Nov and Dec just to sing on Jazz Christmas Sunday is welcome.

The choir is directed by our organist and choir director Marina Zabinski, assisted by Kate Colby. For more information speak with Marina or contact Kate Colby at 246-1743 or kcolby@hillsideplastics.com



The **Dine-Out Group** will eat at

SS Dion

520 Thames St, Bristol RI

on **Friday, Nov 7th** at **6:30 pm**

All are welcome (singles and couples).

RSVPs are required by Tues, Nov 4th

to Sue Black at 245-2772 or
sueandjimblack@gmail.com

Book Group next meets on

Tuesday, November 11th

at 7 p.m.

at The Coffee Depot

501 Main Street, Warren.



All are welcome!

They will discuss the book

Second Hand by Michael Zadooria

“Related in short vignettes like a series of slides in a home movie, the narrative could serve as a handbook for recognizing hidden gems at flea markets. But it’s something more: incisively humorous and surprisingly poignant, this is a quirky, surprisingly tender coming-of-age tale” (Publishers Weekly Review).

For more info on the group contact

Helen Schall at 245-4724 or

helenschall@hotmail.com

THE BEREAVEMENT GROUP

will next meet on **Tuesday, Oct 28**

9:30—10:30 a.m. in the church library

(future dates have yet to be determined)

The group is for anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one.

New members are always welcome.

Questions or for more info, contact Betsy Brenner at jsbeeb@aol.com or 245-8031.



Our church is totally self-supporting and relies on your donations—whether

from a pledge or a gift in the offering plate—to pay the clergy and staff, all of the bills, for church school, programs etc. Thank you for financially supporting your church.

The Women's Faith Group will meet

Thurs., Oct. 30th & Nov.20th

from 1:30—3 p.m. In the church library.

They are reading the UCC's 'One Read' book

Hot Dogs and Hamburgers: Unlocking Life's

Potential by Inspiring Literacy at Any Age

by Rob Shindler



Copies are available for purchase from the church office for \$8.

The group welcomes all women from BCCUCC as well as from other churches and faith traditions.

For more information contact Carol Louttit at 245-2299 or chl2299@aol.com, or Nancy Martin at 273-1078 or

nancy.martin3@verizon.net

Knitting for Others (and Crocheting)

The group next meets on

Tuesday, November 4th from 7 - 9 p.m.

at the home of Mary Lou Slicker,

9 Hilltop Ave., Barrington.



Members of the group work on a variety of different projects for different causes including prayer shawls, helmet liners for soldiers, hats for newborns, and last year they also made Boston Marathon Scarves. Patterns are available. New ideas for knitting projects are always welcome and so are new knitters (and crocheters).

For more information contact Mary Lou Slicker

at 245-0085 or rislick@fullchannel.net

The Memory Impairment Support Group

will meet on **Tuesdays, October 28, November 11 and 25**

from **1—2:30 p.m.** in the church library.

The group is open to both caregivers and patients and is for individuals, couples, and families looking for a safe space to share experiences and coping strategies for dealing with the variety of changes and losses involved with memory impairment diagnoses such as Alzheimer's and dementia. For more information contact Jim or Lois McCartney at 245-3288 or jrmcc@fullchannel.net. The group is open to all – not just members of this church.

'5 Wishes' booklets



The 5 Wishes program challenges us to think about end of life issues and provides a way of discussing them with loved ones. Copies of the “5 Wishes” booklet are available from the church office — a \$1 donation is welcomed to cover the cost. Learn more at <http://www.agingwithdignity.org/five-wishes.php>



Candle Lighters and Readers needed

Jeff is looking for people to read the liturgy and light the Advent candles on November 30, December 7, 14, 21 and 24 (at 5 & 9 pm).

If you are interested please contact him (246-0111 x103 or Jeff@bccucc.org).

There is also a need for readers for the 9 PM Christmas Eve service. Contact Jeff if interested.



- 5 pm Family Worship Service with Pageant
- 9 pm Worship Service with music from Vocal Choir
- 11:30 pm Contemplative Worship Service

Toy Collection



Once again we will be collecting clean and unbroken toys for "Children's Friend" in Providence, who gives these to parents in need of gifts for their children. A large wrapped box will be in the entry way of the church building on November 30th, December 7th and 14th.



If you have any questions or have larger items to donate, please contact Kathleen Larsen at 247-1787 or klarsenswc@hotmail.com. Toys for all ages are needed. Thank you for your generosity.



Getting ready for Christmas? Check out the SERRV catalogs.

SERRV catalogs will be available starting in October and continuing into the first week of December. SERRV is a nonprofit organization with a mission to eradicate poverty wherever it resides by providing opportunity and support to artisans and farmers worldwide. SERRV sponsors small scale, on-the-ground programs to bring practical training and business support to their artisan partners - particularly women - to extend their earning potential into the future.

Helen Schall will have catalogs available at the piano in Fellowship Hall during coffee hour. You can also go to the SERRV website at www.serrv.org/ to view the items. Ordering through the church will save you shipping costs and provide the church with funds to support the 2015 service project.

Contact Helen at 245-4724 or helenschall@hotmail.com for more information.



Deadline for the December/January Bridge

The next edition of the *Bridge* newsletter will be a combined issue for December and January. All material for inclusion will need to be in the church office by **Saturday, November 15**. Information will need to be submitted for events happening in both December and January by that date. Thank you.



Save on the cost of office supplies

The church office can get up to \$20 a month off the office supply bill by sending in used inkjet and toner cartridges for recycling. We invite you to drop any off at the church office and help us save some money. Thanks!

Please remember to wear your nametag for both the worship service and at coffee hour—it helps us get to know each other and is particularly welcoming for newcomers.

Need a nametag?

Sign up on the sheet under the nametag rack or contact the church office.



Lost your nametag? Please double check the nametag rack before requesting a new one !!!



Does the church office have your current e-mail address? Don't know? Then please send it to office@bccucc.org and be sure to include your name. Thanks!



Keep up to date with what's happening at BCCUCC by using our on-line Church Calendar. It is kept up to date and lists everything that's happening at the church.

Access it directly at <http://bccucc.view-events.com> or go to the church website www.bccucc.org and click on the link on the bottom of any page.

Please notify the office (246-0111 or office@bccucc.org) of any changes/additions/corrections needed so it can be updated and kept current. Thanks.

ALTAR FLOWERS DONORS NEEDED

The two floral arrangements that beautify our altar each week are provided by *The Greenery* florist in Warren but are paid for by members of the congregation. The donors have the option of paying for one or both arrangements (\$30 each) and may take them home, or have the Chancel team give them to someone. A dedication in the Sunday bulletin indicates who gave the flowers and in whose memory or for what celebration.

The Chancel team is looking for people willing to be called upon to donate flowers when there is an opening. There is a sign up sheet on the table at the back of Fellowship Hall, or contact Audrey Rogers at adrogers8@cox.net or (401) 246-1727. Thank you to those who have already responded.



Alternatively, if you have a specific date when you would like to donate the flowers, let the Chancel team know and they will check to see what dates are available that might work for you. Thank you.

Ethereal choral works of J.S. Bach coupled with fresh new and beautiful music by American composer Dan Forrest.

Bach and Beyond



J. S. Bach *Motets*

Dan Forrest *Requiem for the Living*

Saturday, November 22 at 7:30 pm

Central Congregational Church,
196 Angell St, Providence

Sunday, November 23 at 3 pm

St Mary's Church, 330 Wood St, Bristol

Tickets available at 401 751 5700

or www.providencesingers.org

or speak with Christine in the church office

Senior and group discounts available

Family Footnotes



Congratulations to . . .

Ben White and Kirsten McKenzie
married September 20th, 2014

Chris DiPierro and Liz d'Entremont
married September 27th, 2014

Memorial Service and Celebration of Life *Natalie H. Perry*

January 13, 1929—July 27, 2014

Saturday, December 6, 2014 at 11 a.m.

Barrington Congregational Church, UCC

The Rev. Charlie Simonson will officiate.

A reception will follow in Fellowship Hall.



BIRTHS

Colton Archer Schall

born September 30th, 2014

to Alec and Kate Schall

Grandparents: Helen and Joe Schall



Ozzie Rosenholm
and
Louise Hawkins

If you or someone you know is in need of pastoral care, please inform either the ministers or the church office. A confidential message can be left for Jeff Larsen at 246-0111 x 103 or jeff@bccucc.org or for Brendan Curran at 246-0111 x 104 or brendan@bccucc.org.



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Be sure to 'Like' us to get our news feeds including the *Bridge newsletter* and Ennouncements that are posted to it.

And suggest our Facebook page to your friends!

Note: You don't have to have a Facebook account in order to access our page.

Our Mission Statement

The Barrington Congregational Church, UCC, is a Christian community that worships God, embraces all people, ministers to one another, works for justice and peace, and renders loving service to God's world.



BCCUCC's Affirmation of Welcome



We believe that all people are blessed and loved equally by God. Following the teachings of Jesus we heartily welcome everyone into God's covenantal community. Whatever your race, ethnicity, age, socioeconomic or marital status, variety of thoughts and beliefs, physical or mental ability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression--whoever you are and wherever you come from you are welcome into the full life and ministry of our church.

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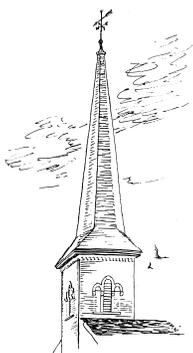
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Paul Dziedzic, John Cordeiro | |

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>This calendar is a copy of our on-line calendar (with room locations added) and is correct at the time of printing. For the most up-to-date information, visit our on-line calendar via the link at the bottom of any page on our church website www.bccucc.org or directly at http://bccucc.view-events.com</p>						<p>1 8 AM – 1 PM RICUCC Autumnal Meeting, <i>Newman Cong Church</i></p>
<p>2 Pentecost 21 <i>Daylight-Saving Time Ends</i> 10:00 AM Children's Communion in Library then Church School 10:00 AM Worship Service with Communion and Installation of Deacons 11:10 AM Sing and Celebrate Choir rehearsal, <i>Room 9</i> 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM Deacons Retreat, <i>Liz White's</i> <i>home</i> 5:00 PM - 7:30 PM Community Plant Based Potluck, <i>Fellowship Hall</i> 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Confirmation Class, <i>Library</i></p>	<p>3 11:00 AM Staff Meeting, <i>Jeff's Office</i> 3:30 PM Lay Visitation meeting, <i>Library</i></p>	<p>4 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Knitting for Others group, Mary Lou Slicker's home 7:00 PM Membership Team Meeting, <i>Library</i></p>	<p>5 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Choir Rehearsal, <i>Vestry</i> 7:30 PM Deacons' Meeting, <i>Room 6</i></p>	<p>6 12:00 PM Senior Luncheon, <i>Fellowship Hall</i></p>	<p>7 6:30 PM Dine Out, <i>SS</i> <i>Dion in Bristol</i></p>	<p>8 1:00 PM – 5:30 PM Confirmands & SYG participate in RICUCC Confirmation Mission Day, <i>Providence</i></p>
<p>9 Pentecost 22 <i>TAPIN Thanksgiving Food collection ends</i> 8:30 AM CEYM meeting, <i>Library</i> 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM OWL Session, <i>Library</i> 10:00 AM Worship Service, Church School 11:10 AM Sing and Celebrate Choir rehearsal, <i>Room 9</i> 11:15 AM - 12:00 PM Conversations about Our Church, <i>Room 6</i> 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM Junior Youth Group trip to Skyzone</p>	<p>10 11:00 AM Staff Meeting, <i>Jeff's Office</i> 7:00 PM Buildings and Grounds meeting, <i>Rm 6</i></p>	<p>11 Veterans Day <i>Office Closed</i> 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM Memory Impairment Support Group, <i>Library</i> 7:00 PM Book Group, <i>The</i> <i>Coffee Depot</i></p>	<p>12 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Choir Rehearsal, <i>Vestry</i> 7:30 PM Mission & Justice meeting, <i>Library</i></p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 10 AM – 5 PM Baked Beads sale, <i>Fellowship Hall</i></p>	<p>15 Bridge Deadline 10 AM – 5 PM Baked Beads sale, <i>Fellowship Hall</i></p>
<p>16 Pentecost 23 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM OWL Session, <i>Library</i> 10:00 AM Worship Service with Sing and Celebrate Choir, Church School 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Senior Youth Group, <i>Room 9</i></p>	<p>17 11:00 AM Staff Meeting, <i>Jeff's Office</i> 7:00 PM Church Council meeting, <i>Room 6</i></p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Choir Rehearsal, <i>Vestry</i></p>	<p>20 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM Women's Faith Group, <i>Library</i></p>	<p>21 7:30 PM 'Praying With Your Neighbors' at <i>Temple Habonim</i></p>	<p>22</p>
<p>23 Reign of Christ New Member Sunday 10:00 AM Worship Service with Country Music & Reception of New Members, Church School 11:10 AM Sing and Celebrate Choir rehearsal, <i>Room 9</i> 11:20 AM Discussion of UCC 'One Read' book, <i>Library</i></p>	<p>24 11:00 AM Staff Meeting, <i>Jeff's Office</i> 7:00 PM Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at <i>BCCUCC</i></p>	<p>25 9:30 AM Collate Bridge, <i>Room 6</i> 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM Memory Impairment Support Group, <i>Library</i></p>	<p>26 5:30 PM Mobile Loaves and Fishes run, <i>Prep in</i> <i>kitchen from 4 pm</i></p>	<p>27 Thanksgiving Day <i>Office Closed</i></p>	<p>28 <i>Office Closed</i></p>	<p>29</p>
<p>30 Advent 1 <i>Toy Collection begins</i> 10:00 AM Worship Service, Advent Arts during Church School time, <i>Fellowship Hall</i> 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM RICUCC Advent Adventures for Gds 5-8, <i>Newman Congregational</i></p>	<h1>NOVEMBER 2014</h1>					