



**October 12, 2017**

Newsletter of Barrington  
Congregational Church  
United Church of Christ

## Calendar

*Church Office Hours are Monday - Friday, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm and 1:30 - 4:30 pm.*

**Thurs, Oct 12**

3 pm Lay Visitation Meeting, Library  
3 - 5 pm Brendan's Community Office Hours, The Coffee Depot  
7 pm Embracing an Adult Faith, Library

**Fri, Oct 13**

6:30 pm Grades 7 & 8 attend service at Temple Habonim

**Sat, Oct 14**

4 - 8 pm RICUCC Ecumenical Youth Music Festival (Gds 7-12), Irons Homestead

**Sun, Oct 15 *Consecration Sunday***

10 am Worship Service with Guest Leader preaching, Church School  
11:20 am Sing and Celebrate Choir Rehearsal, Room 6  
After Worship Celebration Brunch, Fellowship Hall

**Mon, Oct 16**

11 am Bereavement Group, Library

**Tues, Oct 17**

11 am Staff meeting, Dale's Office  
7 pm Membership Team meeting, Library

**Wed, Oct 18**

7:30 - 9 pm Choir rehearsal, Vestry

**Thurs, Oct 19**

1:30 - 3 pm Women's Faith Group, Library  
3 - 5 pm Brendan's Community Office Hours, The Coffee Depot  
6:30 pm Historical Group meeting, Tom Wegner's home  
7 pm Embracing an Adult Faith, Library

**Sat, Oct 21**

8 am - 3:45 pm Super Saturday, Framingham, MA

**Sun, Oct 22 *A Day of Healing***

10 am Worship Service, Church School  
10 am - 5 pm OWL Class, Library

11 am – 1 pm Display of BCCUCC archives and memorabilia, Fellowship Hall  
11:20 am Sing and Celebrate Choir Rehearsal, Room 6  
6 – 8 pm Screening of “What the Health” documentary, Fellowship Hall

**Tues, Oct 24**

11 am Staff meeting, Dale’s Office  
1 – 2:30 pm Memory Impairment Support Group, Library

**Wed, Oct 25**

7:30 - 9 pm Choir rehearsal, Vestry

**Thurs, Oct 26**

3 - 5 pm Brendan’s Community Office Hours, The Coffee Depot  
4:30 – 7:30 pm Loaves and Fishes RI Truck – prep and run to Providence  
7 pm Embracing an Adult Faith, Library

**Sat, Oct 28**

6 pm Junior Youth Group Halloween Overnight, Fellowship Hall and Library  
7 pm Talk by Pulitzer Prize winning war correspondent, David Wood, Sanctuary of BCCUCC

**Sun, Oct 29** *Deacons' Sunday*

Pancake Breakfast for Junior Youth Group, Fellowship Hall  
10 am Worship Service, Church School  
11:10 am Trunk or Treat in Parking Lot  
11:30 am – 1 pm Conversations about our Church, Library  
Noon – 2 pm Confirmation Class, Room 9

For the complete church calendar visit <http://bccucc.view-events.com>

Send calendar information to [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org)

The deadline for information to be included in the next eBridge is  
**Wednesday, October 25th** at Noon. Send info to [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org)

## A change to the eBridge

With so much happening at our church and so much to communicate, the eBridge has become a much longer document than originally intended when it was started. To cut down both on the staff time taken to create it, and your time taken to read it each week, **we will begin publishing the eBridge every other week, rather than weekly.**

The next eBridge will be published on Thursday, October 26th, and the deadline for information to be included will be noon *on Wednesday, October 25th*, however an earlier submission is appreciated. The Announcements will continue to be published weekly, with a Wednesday noon deadline. Thank you.

Forward the eBridge to a friend and invite them to [join our email list](#)

Just some of the new articles in this week’s eBridge.....

**Women’s Faith Group - new book**

**A Day of Healing**

**300th Anniversary Clothing and Totes for sale again**

**Moral Injury - Now What? A talk by Pulitzer Prize winner David Wood**

**Drivers wanted**

Sorry but it’s not possible to include a link to the articles - you have to scroll down to find them.

# Have you made your voice heard?

## It's not too late to have your say.....

We had a great opportunity recently to meet and share with our first church consultant, Dr. William McKinney. Bill met with over 90 members and friends of our church and community to talk about where we are as well as our hopes and dreams for the church and town. **Bill wants to remind you that if you did not get a chance to share your thoughts with him he can be emailed at [billmckinneymass@gmail.com](mailto:billmckinneymass@gmail.com).**



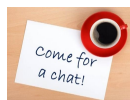
Additionally, the Renewal Team ( [Larry Ashley](#), [Tom Colby](#), [Erik Ela](#), [Marion Fodor](#), [Helen Schall](#), [Heather Williamson](#), and [Dale Azevedo](#) ) would appreciate any feedback you may have regarding your time with Bill. Feel free to email (click on their link), call, or catch any of them at coffee hour.

Over the next month we will hear back from Bill with his assessment of where we are as a church, along with his recommendations for the future. We will keep you abreast as we move forward.

For more information on the Renewal process, check out the church's website: <http://www.bccucc.org/church-life/renewal/>

## Thurs, Oct 12 - Sat, Oct 14

### Community Office Hours with Brendan - back to the regular time!



Brendan will be at [The Coffee Depot](#), 501 Main Street, Warren, from 3 - 5 pm on **Thursday, October 12th** for anyone from the church or community who would like to stop by for a visit in this more informal setting.

### Ecumenical Youth Music Festival

The event for youth in Grades 7-12 is hosted by RICUCC on **Saturday, October 14th** from 3:30-8 pm at Irons Homestead, 688 Snake Hill Road, Glocester, RI. There will be rotation workshops: labyrinth, stone throwing, environmental guest speaker; a pizza dinner; worship; outside concert and fire pit. Learn more and RSVP at <http://www.ricucc.org/eventdetail/9213912>

## Sunday, October 15

### Consecration Sunday - and Brunch!

We hope that you are able to join us for our special Consecration Sunday worship service on **October 15th**, and then stay for the Celebration Brunch in Fellowship Hall immediately following it. Guest Leader for this year's program is the Rev. Corey Sanderson, who some may remember from 15 years ago when he lived here. Corey will preach at the service during which we will consecrate our stewardship giving. We do hope you can be there.

If you haven't yet RSVP'd for the brunch and would like to attend, we'd love to have you join us. For planning purposes, please email Kristen Westmoreland at [kristenjw@gmail.com](mailto:kristenjw@gmail.com). Thank you.

If you unable to attend worship this Sunday, you will be receiving in the mail a letter together with an Estimate of Giving Card for 2018. We ask that you prayerfully consider how you can financially support your church in 2018, then complete the card and return

it by the deadline of October 25th. Thank you.

## Sing and Celebrate Choir Rehearsal

Rehearsals continue on **Sunday, October 15th** after church school in Room 6 for any boys and girls in Grades 1 and older who like to sing. The choir is learning a fun and easy song to be sung in worship after a few rehearsals. The rehearsal will be short so that those who are attending the brunch won't miss anything! Questions? Contact Kate Colby [kcolby@fullchannel.net](mailto:kcolby@fullchannel.net)



## Mon, Oct 16 - Sat, Oct 21

### Bereavement Group

The Bereavement Group will meet again on **Monday, October 16th** at 11 a.m in the library. The group is open to anyone who has lost a loved one at any time. For more info contact the facilitator Betsy Brenner at [jsbeeb@aol.com](mailto:jsbeeb@aol.com) or 245-8031.

### Women's Faith Group

Women's Faith Group next meets on **Thursday, October 19th** from 1:30 – 3 pm in the church library. The new book they've chosen to read and discuss is *Waking Up White* by Debby Irving... "a brutally honest, unflinching exploration of race and personal identity told with heart by a truly gifted storyteller". Copies of the book will be available from the church office at the discounted price of \$16. The group welcomes women from BCCUCC as well as other churches and faith traditions. For more information contact Jane Tonn at 289-2349 or [jtonn2@cox.net](mailto:jtonn2@cox.net)

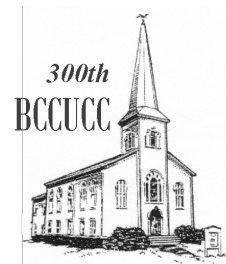
## Sunday, October 22

### A Day of Healing

On Sunday, October 22nd, we will celebrate a "Day of Healing" in worship. In this service we'll talk about the power of God to heal in all facets of life and creation. Near the end of the sermon, we will have a time to come forward for healing prayer (offered up by one of the pastors or a deacon). These prayers can be for you, someone you love, our country, or our community. We hope you will join us next week to share in this special time of prayer and worship.

### 300th Anniversary Display - display items needed

On **Sunday, October 22nd** from 11 am – 1 pm in Fellowship Hall, the Historical Group would like to put on a display of art/ photos/ paintings/ sculptures/ plates/ etc that depict Barrington Congregational Church. If you have any you'd like to be included, please bring them that morning and drop them off in Fellowship Hall before the service. There will be tables there for you to put the items on. *Please have your name and phone number on them.* Items from the archives will also be on display including photos, bibles and ledgers. If you have items but are unable to be in church that day, contact Tom Wegner at 383-0999 or [tom.wegner@liladelman.com](mailto:tom.wegner@liladelman.com) to arrange to drop them off ahead of time. At the end of the event, please pick up your item, or make arrangements with Tom to do so later.



## Movie Night and Mission Trip Fundraiser

On **Sunday, October 22nd** from 6-8 pm in Fellowship Hall our friends at Powered by Plants RI will be offering a screening of the groundbreaking documentary, "What the Health?" as a fundraiser for our church's service-learning trip to the Navajo Nation. Come learn about eating healthy and support our church's food security-related service project with the Navajo Nation. There is a suggested donation of \$5-10 for this fundraising event. [More info](#)



## Mon, Oct 23 - Sat, Oct 28

### Memory Impairment Support Group

The group meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month from 1 - 2:30 pm in the library. Their next meeting is **Tuesday, October 24th**. The group is open to patients and caregivers, and participants need not be members of this church. For more information contact Jim McCartney at 245-3288 or [jrmcc@fullchannel.net](mailto:jrmcc@fullchannel.net)

### Deadline for Estimate of Giving Cards

For those who don't complete and turn in an 'Estimate of Giving' card on Consecration Sunday, we ask that you please complete one - indicating how you can financially support your church in 2018 - and return it to the church office by **Wednesday, October 25th**. The Finance Team puts together a budget for next year based on how much money the congregation estimates they will give so they need this information.

### Help Needed with Loaves and Fishes Truck Run

On **Thursday, October 26th** volunteers from BCCUCC will be taking the Loaves and Fishes RI truck to Emmanuel House and Crossroads in Providence to serve the men and women there seeking nourishment, for body, mind and soul. Volunteers are needed to help with prep (from 4:30 pm) as well as to go out on the truck a little later. Donations of food and clothing items are also needed. [Click on this link](#) to take you to the SignUpGenius where you can read more about what is needed and to sign up to help or donate.

If you can't sign up online and want to help, or just have questions, please contact Liz White at 401-245-0285 or [lizzyw2@aol.com](mailto:lizzyw2@aol.com), or Jay or Phyllis Buckley at 401-245-1098 or [pbuckley6@cox.net](mailto:pbuckley6@cox.net).

Please drop off your donations in the kitchen under the sign "Donations for Loaves and Fishes" by **Wednesday, October 25th**. Thank you.



### Moral Injury - Now What? A talk by David Wood

On **Saturday October 28th** at 7 pm in the Sanctuary of our church, Pulitzer prize winning journalist and war correspondent, David Wood will speak on the topic of his latest book "*What Have We Done? The Moral Injury of our Longest Wars*". The program is free and open to the public and is sponsored by our Mission & Justice Ministry Team, East Bay Citizens for Peace, and the RI Anti-War Committee. David Wood, a veteran war reporter, won the 2012 Pulitzer Prize for national reporting on wounded warriors. A birthright Quaker and raised as a pacifist, Wood has spent more than 30 years covering conflicts around the world, most recently in extended deployments embedded with U.S. troops in Iraq and Afghanistan. His new book, *What Have We Done?* explores moral injury, the signature wound of America's 21st century wars. It was awarded the 2017 Dayton Literary Peace Prize for nonfiction. All are welcome. [Flier](#)

## JYG Sleepover

The Junior Youth Group will be having their annual sleepover **Saturday night October 28th** in the Library and Fellowship Hall beginning at 6 pm. They will be decorating the hall for the Trunk-or-Treat Halloween event on Sunday morning. There will be pizza, a movie, games, and a breakfast on Sunday morning. Youth are invited to bring Halloween costumes to wear to church. Questions? Contact Brendan (401-318-2447) [brendan@bccucc.org](mailto:brendan@bccucc.org)



## Sunday, October 29

### 2nd Annual Trunk or Treat - and come to church in costume!

On **Sunday morning October 29th**, we will trick or treat each other's car trunks in the church parking lot in the spaces along the tree line during coffee hour. All are invited to wear a costume to church on this Sunday! You are also invited to decorate the trunk of your car for Halloween and fill it with candy for trunk-or-treaters! Last year we had a lot of fun with this event! Don't know what Trunk or Treat is? Google 'Trunk or Treat Ideas' for information and some great decorating ideas



### Want to learn more about our church - and maybe become a member?

Rev. Dale Azevedo invites you to join him for 'Conversations about our Church' from 11:30 am – 1 pm in the library on **Sunday, October 29th** (after Trunk or Treat). Child care will be provided for young children and older children have the option to sit in if they wish. Whether you are new to our church community or have been coming for some time, you are very welcome to attend. The session will give you an opportunity to learn more about who we are and what we believe, and will give you the information needed to decide if you would like to join our church at this time. Our next New Member Sunday will be November 12th.

For planning purposes, if you would like to attend 'Conversations' please RSVP to the church office *by Sunday, October 22nd* at 246-0111 or [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org) – also let us know if you need child care.

### Confirmation class

The first confirmation class of the year will be on **Sunday, October 29th** in Room 9 from 12-2 pm following Trunk-or-Treat. Open to all in 9th grade or above, contact Rev. Brendan Curran if you haven't yet signed up or have questions (401-318-2447) [brendan@bccucc.org](mailto:brendan@bccucc.org)

## 3 Centuries and Beyond 1717 - 2017

### 300th Anniversary Clothing and Totes for sale

We are offering another chance for people to order clothing or totes with the 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary logo on them. Orders with payment will be taken at coffee hour from **Sunday, October 15th thru October 29th**, or you can stop by the church office to place your order. This time we are also offering a long sleeve t-shirt. Order forms with all the details will be in Fellowship Hall on Sunday or in the next eBridge.

## Gala Jazz Brunch to celebrate our church's 300th Anniversary



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**Sunday November 12<sup>th</sup>**

**12 pm – 3 pm**

**Barrington Yacht Club**

25 Barton Ave, Barrington RI 02806

Jazz Music provided by The Greg Silva Trio

The congregation is invited to join with current and former BCCUCC ministers for an 'all you can eat' buffet to celebrate the finale of our '3 Centuries & Beyond 1717 – 2017' celebration

Cost: Adults **-\$25.00** Children (12 & under) **\$15.00**

*Seating is limited and no reservation is final until payment is received.*

***Reservations are being taken and end Oct 29th.....or sooner if all seats are sold!***

Reserve your seat by stopping by the church office, or call 401-246-0111 then mail in your check. Reservations will also be taken during various coffee hours. Checks should be made payable to 'BCCUCC' and mark the memo line 'Gala Brunch'

[Flier for the event](#)

*(Please note that this is different from the Consecration Sunday Brunch being held in Fellowship Hall on Oct 15 that the congregation is invited to attend at no charge.)*

## Looking ahead.....

### Community Dinner

Mark your calendars! There will be a community dinner to support the church's mission trip on **Sunday, November 5th** from 5 - 7 pm in Fellowship Hall. This will be a vegetarian meal. The vegetarian soups and entrées are being donated by our friends at Powered by Plants RI. Dinner will be buffet style. Come enjoy a healthy vegetarian meal and support our church's mission trip program. A meal costs \$6.00 for children under 12, and \$10.00 for youth and adults. Tickets will be available at the door. We will also be selling them at coffee hour *starting Sunday Oct. 22nd.*

### Book Group

The group will not meet in October, but will meet **Tuesday, November 7th** at 7 pm in the church library. They will discuss *My Life with Bob* by Pamela Paul. "Titles about reading and books abound, but this memoir stands in a class by itself. Bibliophiles will treasure it, but the addictive storytelling and high-quality writing will vastly increase its audience". (Library Journal). For more info contact Helen Schall [helenschall@hotmail.com](mailto:helenschall@hotmail.com) 245-4724. All are welcome!

# Miscellaneous

## Drivers needed

We sometimes get requests from church members who want to attend either a worship service or some other church event, but they are no longer able to drive themselves. We would like to compile a list of volunteers we can call upon when we receive such a request. If interested in volunteering, please contact the church office at 246-0111 or [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org). Thank you.



## Christmas Eve service times - so you can plan ahead!

On Sunday, December 24th there will be a regular 10 a.m. worship service for the 4th Sunday of Advent. Christmas Eve services will be held in the sanctuary at **5 pm** and **10 pm**. The 5 pm service will include a Christmas Pageant, and the 10 pm service will be Lessons and Carols.



## Ushers needed

Additional volunteers are needed to be ushers for the Sunday morning service. Volunteers will receive training and are only scheduled to serve once every 4 weeks from Sept - Jan. If interested, contact Bethia Rosner at 383-5538.



## Ongoing Collections

We're still collecting **diapers in sizes 4 & 5** for the little boys of the two refugee families supported by Sts Matthew and Mark Episcopal Church. There's a collection bin in the back of Fellowship Hall.

There are bins in the narthex on the way up to the sanctuary for the collection of **canned and dried goods** for TAPIN. [Check their website](#) for a list of current needs.

**Thank you for the Bibles:** Riverside Congregational Church, UCC is very appreciative of the Bibles that we've been able to give them so far. They have an outreach ministry to those in need - holding a breakfast every week followed by a Bible Study - and give away many Bibles. We will continue to collect Bibles for this ministry - there's a collection box on the table at the back of Fellowship Hall. Thank you.

## UCC Disaster Relief - an ongoing need

Several weeks ago we filled buckets with cleaning supplies and sent them off for disaster relief in Texas following Hurricane Harvey. We also sent a check to 'UCC Disasters Ministry – Emergency USA Fund' with additional money that came in later. But we know, especially with the devastation in Puerto Rico from Hurricane Irma and Maria, that there will be much to be done for a long time to come. Find out what the UCC is doing and will continue to do with your help. Go to [http://www.ucc.org/disaster\\_hurricane\\_2017\\_relief](http://www.ucc.org/disaster_hurricane_2017_relief) You can click on GIVE to donate either electronically or by check. Thank you.



## Super Saturday

**October 21st**, 8 am - 3:45 pm in Framingham, MA. A full day of worship, workshops, continental breakfast, lunch, marketplace and closing worship. Keynote Speaker is the Rev. Noel Andersen, UCC & CWS Grassroots Coordinator for Immigrants' Rights. [More info and registration](#)

## Autumnal Meeting of the RICUCC

**Saturday, November 4th**, 8 am – 2 pm (Breakfast and Lunch included) at Central Congregational Church, UCC, Providence. Registration fee \$15. The meeting is open to all interested persons as well as our delegates. Registration is required. More information and registration at [www.ricucc.org](http://www.ricucc.org).

## 'From the River's Edge' - The Pastors' Blog

Look for a new blog from Brendan coming very soon! Once posted, you'll find a link to it on the homepage of our church website [www.bccucc.org](http://www.bccucc.org)



If you missed reading any posts you can find them all on the church website [at this link](#). There are also links to the most recent ones from the homepage of our church website [www.bccucc.org](http://www.bccucc.org)

## Please note....

### 2017-2018 Calendar is available for viewing

The church calendar is kept up to date and you can find it at <http://bccucc.view-events.com> If you have any meetings or activities planned, please send them to [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org) so that they can be added to the calendar. Also please notify the office or any errors or changes. Thank you.

### Sermons available on line

If you miss church on Sunday or want to hear the sermon again, you can do so at the following link [Sermon Archive](#).



## Useful Links

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