

## CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sun., Apr 13		<i>Palm Sunday and New Member Sunday</i> <i>One Great Hour of Sharing offering</i>
	8:30 am	Men's Group, Library
	10 am	Worship Service with Reception of New Members, Church School
	After Worship	Lenten Lollapalooza for All Ages, Fellowship Hall
	11:15 am	Sing and Celebrate Choir rehearsal, Room 9
	11:15 am	Confirmation Class Field Trip, Lunch and Class
	6 pm	Search Committee, Library
Mon., Apr 14		<i>Deadline for Chancel Fund donations</i>
	7 – 7:15 am	Early Morning Holy Week Reflection with Jeff, Library
	11 am	Staff Meeting, Jeff's office
	12:30 pm	Bereavement Group, Library
	3:30 pm	Lay Visitation meeting, Library
	7 pm	Buildings and Grounds meeting, Room 6
	7 pm	Finance team meeting, Library
	7:30 pm	Justice and Witness team meeting, Stephanie Edwards' home
Tues., Apr 15		<i>Deadline for Bridge newsletter</i>
	7 – 7:15 am	Early Morning Holy Week Reflection with Jeff, Library
	7 pm	Knitting for Others group, Marty Kee's home
Wed., Apr 16		
	7 – 7:15 am	Early Morning Holy Week Reflection with Jeff, Library
	7:30 pm	Marijuana Anonymous meeting, Room 8 No choir rehearsal (moved to Thursday)
Thurs., Apr 17		<b>Maundy Thursday</b>
	7 – 7:15 am	Early Morning Holy Week Reflection with Jeff, Library
	1:30 pm	Women's Faith Group, Library
	7 pm	Service of Tenebrae with Communion, Sanctuary
	7:45 pm	Choir rehearsal following service, Vestry
Fri., Apr 18		<b>Good Friday</b>
	7 – 7:15 am	Early Morning Holy Week Reflection with Jeff, Library
Sun., Apr 20		<b>Easter Sunday</b>
	6 am	Ecumenical Easter Sunrise Service with Communion, Osamequin Point
	9:15 am	Worship Service for All Ages, Nursery Care only
	After Worship	Coffee hour and Easter Egg hunt for children through Elementary grades
	9:15 am	Worship Service for All Ages, Nursery Care only



### Birthdays for the Week of April 13<sup>th</sup>

*Maeve Hecht, Logan Zonfrillo, Jane Cipoletti,  
Del Jenkins, Aidan Lane, Mary Kutcher,  
Francis Seader, Tracy Gausland, and Faith Jean.*

Please keep them in your prayers.

### DEACONS FOR APRIL

Greg Voigt (Star Deacon), Cheryl Muth, Helen Schall,  
Sam Sylvester, and Liz White.

*If in a pastoral emergency after hours you cannot reach  
Jeff (401 247-1787), please contact a deacon.*

**Lenten Lollapalooza** is TODAY after worship in Fellowship Hall. Come make pretzels, palm crosses, and various other Lenten crafts. Hosted by CEYM, all ages are welcome to participate. Also during coffee hour there will be cake to celebrate our new members, courtesy of our Membership Team.

**One Great Hour of Sharing offering** is TODAY. OGHS inserts and collection envelopes are included in today's bulletin. Our congregation joins with other churches of the UCC as well as churches from eight other denominations in collecting this offering that goes to help needy people throughout the world. Please make checks payable to 'BCCUCC' and mark the memo line 'OGHS'. Thank you. Donations may also be sent to the church office.

**The church photo directory is here!** All members and friends who were photographed by LifeTouch or submitted a family photo receive a free directory. Those who haven't yet picked up their copy may do so from the table in the Narthex (near where the greeters stand). Additional directories are available for purchase for \$5.00.

**Chancel Fund deadline** for donations and complete forms is tomorrow, MONDAY, APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup>. A donation form with all the details is included in the bulletin together with a donation envelope. A member of the Chancel Fund will be at the piano in coffee hour to take your donation and completed form, or put them in the offering plate. Thank you.

**Our on-line Church Calendar** is a great resource and is now available directly at <http://bccucc.view-events.com>. You can also access it from the church website [www.bccucc.org](http://www.bccucc.org) either from the bottom of any page or from the drop down menu under 'What's happening'. It is now the only calendar being used in the church office – and it is up to date with the information we have through the end of June. Please keep Christine informed (246-0111 or [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org)) of any changes/additions/corrections needed so that the calendar can be updated as needed and kept current. Thank you.

**Special Congregational Meeting:** The Church Council calls for a special meeting of the congregation to take place in the Sanctuary immediately following worship on SUNDAY, APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2014 for the consideration of the By Law changes as recommended by Church Council. Child care will be provided.

## HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

**Holy Week Early Morning Reflections:** Rev. Jeff Larsen will lead these each morning during Holy Week, MONDAY - FRIDAY, APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup> -18<sup>TH</sup> from 7 - 7:15 a.m., in the church library. He will give a word for the day, provide coffee and will finish in time for you to head off to work or school. All are welcome to come for this 'quiet time' at the start of their day.

**Maundy Thursday service of Tenebrae with Communion** will take place on THURSDAY, APRIL 18<sup>TH</sup> at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary. Jeff and the deacons will lead this worship service in which the story of Jesus' passion and suffering will be read, with candles extinguished one by one. The service also includes communion and music. All are invited to deepen their experience of the resurrection by living through the passion and death of Christ in this contemplative service.

**Easter Sunday Ecumenical Sunrise Service:** This outdoor service takes place at 6 am on EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 20<sup>TH</sup> at Osamequin Point - located 1.1 miles north of the church on the Wampanoag Trail (Route 114). All are welcome.

**Easter Sunday Services at BCCUCC:** There will be Worship Services at 9:15 am and 11 am on Easter Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. The services are for all ages and nursery care is provided for infants and children up to age 3.

**Easter Egg Hunt:** Following the 9:15 am service only there will be a coffee 'hour' and an Easter Egg hunt for children in the lower elementary grades. Children are asked to bring a basket to collect the eggs that they find.

**Walking the Way of the Cross: A Moving Meditation on the Passion of Jesus.** Can't make a Good Friday service or just want to go deeper into the experience, come to Irons Homestead's last Lenten Day Apart on MONDAY, APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup> from 10 am – 2:30 pm. Cost is \$30 and includes a picnic lunch. Irons Homestead, 688 Snake Hill Road, Glocester, RI. Please pre-register at [www.ricucc.org/ministries/irons-homestead/programs](http://www.ricucc.org/ministries/irons-homestead/programs) or by calling 401-710-9478.

**Good Friday services:** There won't be an Ecumenical Good Friday service in Barrington this year, but there are Noon time services at both Barrington Presbyterian Church and St John's Episcopal Church. In addition Riverside Congregational Church (15 Oak Avenue, Riverside) is once again holding a 'Time of Reflection' on Good Friday from 6 – 8 pm. Their sanctuary will have a closed tomb, accented by candlelight and 'Tenebrae of Good Friday' chants softly playing. People are invited to go for as long as they like for a time of reflection and silent prayer.

**Church office closings:** The church office will be closed on Good Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup> and Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. In addition, the office may be closed at other times in the next couple of weeks as work begins tomorrow on the installation of a new high efficiency heating and cooling system for the various church offices. As a result, they may not always be able to remain open. Please call ahead if you plan to stop by.

**Deadline for the April Bridge** is this Tuesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>. Please submit articles for inclusion to [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org).

**Church Clean Up Day** is SATURDAY, APRIL 26<sup>TH</sup> from 9 am - 1 pm. Volunteers - both skilled and unskilled - are needed to help with some much needed work around the church and grounds - even if it's only for a short time. Please contact Paul Dennis at 245-6296 or [wrbtws@aol.com](mailto:wrbtws@aol.com) to volunteer ahead of time - it helps with planning the projects! Last minute volunteers are also most welcome.

**Help Needed – bakers and servers:** Our church will be hosting the RI Conference of the UCC's Annual Meeting on SATURDAY, MAY 3<sup>RD</sup>. We will be providing finger food for the Peace Breakfast as well as the coffee break (breads, muffins, coffee cake etc) and need volunteer bakers to make these foods. Also needed are people to help with serving. If you can help, please contact Joan Miller at 245-5635.

**Have you made a pledge yet?** 'Living in Covenant' is the theme for this year's Stewardship Campaign and we ask that everyone make a pledge for our next fiscal year (July 2014 – June 2015). Our church is totally self-supporting and relies on the income from your pledges to pay its bills and carry out its mission. Please put your completed pledge card in the offering plate or return it to the church office as soon as possible. Should you need one, blank pledge cards are available from the vestry hallway or the rack outside the church office. THANK YOU to everyone who has already made a pledge.

**Eat out and raise money to fight hunger!** *Not Your Average Joe's Restaurant* in Seekonk (1125 Fall River Avenue, Seekonk, MA) will donate 15% of the total check amount to the Barrington/East Bay CROP Hunger Walk on **Tuesdays in April**. Certificates for *Not Your Average Cause* are available from the table at the back of Fellowship Hall for use at the Seekonk NYAJ, or just inform your server that you'd like to participate in the CROP Hunger Walk Giveback.

**The Bereavement Group** meets twice a month and will meet, MONDAY, APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup> & 28<sup>TH</sup> from 12:30-1:30 pm in the church library. The group is for anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one and new members are always welcome. Questions? Contact Betsy Brenner at [jsbeeb@aol.com](mailto:jsbeeb@aol.com) or 245-8031.

**The Knitting Group** meets TUESDAY, APRIL 15<sup>TH</sup> from 7-9 pm at the home of Marty Kee, 3 Briarfield Road, Barrington. All are welcome to join them to knit or crochet items to be given away. For more information about the group contact Mary Lou Slicker 245-0085 [rislick@fullchannel.net](mailto:rislick@fullchannel.net)

**Women's Faith Group** will meet THURSDAY, APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup> from 1:30 – 3 p.m. in the church library. All women from BCCUCC as well as from other churches and faith traditions are welcome. They will begin discussion of their new book, *Evensong* by Gail Godwin. Copies of the book are available for purchase from the church office for the discounted price of \$12. For info about the group contact Carol Louttit at 245-2299 or [chl2299@aol.com](mailto:chl2299@aol.com).

**The Book Group** next meets on TUESDAY, APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup> at 7 pm at The Coffee Depot, Warren. They will discuss *Eighty Days: Nellie Bly and Elizabeth Bisland's history making race around the world* by Matthew Goodman. All are welcome.

**Help needed with Soup Kitchen:** Food donations are needed for the Soup Kitchen on SAT., MAY 3<sup>RD</sup>. Please contact our Soup Kitchen Coordinator, Diane Todd at (401) 245-4681 with questions or if you would like to donate. Thanks.