

CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We encourage you to take this sheet home to refer to as needed.

Sun, Feb 7	8:30 am	CEYM meeting, Library
	10 am	Worship Service with Communion
	10 am	Children's Communion in Library followed by Church School
	After Worship	Valentine making at coffee hour, Fellowship Hall
	12:30 – 3:15 pm	JYG go jumping at Sky Zone
Mon, Feb 8	11 am	Staff meeting, Sue's office
	7 pm	Buildings and Grounds meeting, Room 7
	7 pm	Mission and Justice meeting, Library
Tues, Feb 9	1 – 2:30 pm	Memory Impairment Support Group, Library
	7 pm	Search Committee meeting, Library
Wed, Feb 10		<i>Ash Wednesday</i>
	7 pm	Ash Wednesday Service, Sanctuary
	7:45 pm	Choir rehearsal after service, Vestry
Thurs, Feb 11	7 pm	Membership Team meeting, Tom Wegner's home
Fri, Feb 12	6:30 pm	Dine Out eat at Medeira Restaurant in East Providence
Sat, Feb 13	2:40 – 5 pm	JYG meet at church before going to Soup Kitchen in Pawtucket
Sun, Feb 14	10 am	Worship Service for All Ages, Nursery Care only



Birthdays for the Week of February 7th

Mary DeWitt, Barb McWhirter, Asher Soares, Steve Peck, Melinda Thies, Duncan Brady, Core Miesner, Rich Staples, Jillian Bannon, Betsy Restituyo, Laura Bilotti, and Anson Mole.

Please keep them in your prayers.

DEACONS FOR FEBRUARY

Liz White (star deacon), Abby Ashley, Larry Ashley, Stephanie Edwards, Jon Stabach, and Greg Voigt.

In the event of a pastoral emergency after hours, if you cannot reach Sue (781-724-9831) or Brendan (401-318 2447) please call on one of the deacons.

Children's Communion TODAY: There is a children's communion in the library at 10 a.m. TODAY for the church school children. Children should go directly to the library when they arrive at church.

Church School schedule:

TODAY: Godly Play (Pre-K – 1st gds) – The Parable of the Sower
 Growers & Shakers (2nd – 4th gds) – The Sower
 Connect (5 & 6th gds) – Healings
 Seekers (6th & 7th gds) – Field trip to Temple Habonim. (They met in the church kitchen at 9:15 am)

FEBRUARY 14TH & 21ST There will be Worship Services for All Ages (no church school) on these two Sundays due to the public school winter break. Nursery Care will be provided for infants and children up to age 3.

Valentine making for our homebound, elders and college students, will take place TODAY at coffee hour. All are invited to make and sign them – the deacons provide all of the materials needed.

Building Security: In order to better secure our building on Sundays, we are locking all the doors into the Educational building portion (save the office door opposite the Sanctuary) from 10 a.m. until church is dismissed. This includes the kitchen door so please allow enough time on arrival to either get in before 10 a.m. or walk around the building. If you carry a key and unlock a door, please lock it behind you. The Buildings and Grounds Team is looking into better door security for the future. Thank you for your understanding. We are sorry for this temporary inconvenience.

TODAY is the deadline to sign up for the study of *To Kill a Mockingbird* and also for the trip to Trinity Rep to see it performed as a play. See the separate insert for all the details and be sure to sign up with Rev. Sue TODAY if interested.

JYG trip to Skyzone TODAY: The weather has not cooperated for an outdoor winter activity of snowtubing or ice skating, so instead JYG are going jumping at Sky Zone. Those going should have reserved online their 1:30 – 2:30 pm time slot, completed an online waiver, and printed out their ticket confirmation. Meet in the BCCUCC parking lot at 12:30 pm and don't forget your signed JYG permission form and money for snacks. Return to church parking lot for pick up at 3:15 pm. Questions? Contact Kim Zeleznik (401) 406-1971 or Kathy Sullivan (401) 316-5956.

Memory Impairment Support Group meets this TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH from 1 - 2:30 pm in the church library. The group is open to patients and caregivers, and participants need not be members of this church. For more info contact Jim or Lois McCartney at 245-3288 or jrmcc@fullchannel.net

Ash Wednesday Service is this WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH at 7 pm in the Sanctuary. Come attend a simple service of prayers and song as we prepare ourselves for Lent and receive ashes. All are welcome.

Dine Out will meet this FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH at 6:30 pm at Medeira restaurant, 288 Warren Ave, East Providence RI. All are invited – singles, couples, newcomers and old-timers alike - to join fellow church members and friends for dinner together in a different restaurant each month, enjoying some good food and fellowship! Those wishing to go need to **sign up by Tuesday, February 9th** to Sue Black 245-2772 or sueandjimblack@gmail.com

JYG to provide and serve meal at Soup Kitchen this SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH from 2:40 – 5:30 pm. All in grades 6 – 8 are needed to help with this – and if you're unable to join them please contribute toward the food needed. Contact the JYG leaders Laurie Dubel, [\(401\) 787-3190](tel:4017873190); Ginger Stabach, [\(401\) 225-2076](tel:4012252076); Kathy Sullivan, [\(401\) 316-5956](tel:4013165956); or Kim Zeleznik, [\(401\) 406-1971](tel:4014061971); or email them at bccjyg@gmail.com for more details.

Women's Faith Group meets THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH from 1:30–3 pm in the church library. They will continue discussion of their new book *The Care and Management of Lies* by Jacqueline Winspear. Copies are available for purchase from the church office (\$12.80 each). All women from the church are invited to attend, as well as women from other faith communities. Questions? Contact Nancy Martin 273-1078 or nancy.martin3@verizon.net or Jane Tonn at 289-2349 or jtonn2@cox.net.

The Bereavement Group meets MON, FEB 22ND at 10 am in the church library. Anyone who has lost a loved one at any time is welcome - participants need not be from this church. Contact Betsy Brenner at jsbeeb@aol.com or 245-8031 for more info.

Book Group: The group next meets on MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND at 7 pm at The Coffee Depot, 501 Main St, Warren to discuss the book *Life Among the Savages* by Shirley Jackson. All are welcome. For more info, contact Helen Schall at 245-4724 or helenschall@hotmail.com Please note that Book Group was incorrectly listed as happening this week in the *Ennouncements calendar* – sorry L

A Sacred Conversation on Race will take place on SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH from 1:30 – 4:30 pm at Barrington Congregational Church, UCC (*Please note the slightly later start time than previously published*). The session is FREE and open to all members of the RI Conference UCC. The event is sponsored by the Barrington Congregational Church's Mission and Justice Ministry Team, RICUCC Racial Justice Ministry, and the RICUCC Justice and Witness Division. This afternoon program will draw us into an intentional dialogue about racism at all levels of our society, including our history as a nation. Led by trained facilitators, we will explore the spiritual ramifications of racism and seek ways to move forward productively to confront it within our denominational community and beyond our church walls. We hope that you will come and engage in this moving process of spiritual awareness, and commit/recommit to this work within our Church. Please RSVP to Rev. Brendan Curran at mailto:brendan@bccucc.org

'Leap into the Bible' with Rev. Don Remick - is being offered at two different times on Leap Day, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 29TH. Details are in today's separate insert. To help with planning, please sign up if you would like to attend.

Showing of *American Denial* video: On SUNDAY, MARCH 13TH following worship, the Mission and Justice Ministry team will show the video *American Denial* in the library. All are welcome. This documentary explores the power of unconscious biases around race and class. Using Gunnar Myrdal's 1944 investigation of Jim Crow racism as a springboard, the film shows how unrecognized, unconscious attitudes continue to dominate racial dynamics in American life. To learn more about the film, go to: www.americandential.com.

RICUCC Regional Meetings to talk about possible partnership: The leadership of the RI Conference UCC wants to hear from **you** about the idea of partnering with the MA and CT Conferences. A letter of invitation was sent out to congregations together with the schedule of meetings – copies are on the table at the back of Fellowship Hall and on the bulletin boards. If you missed the regional meeting for the East Bay area you are welcome to attend any of the others.

Webmaster wanted: Christine does a great job with our website, but it could be so much more - with the right person able to spend just a little bit of time with it! You could post sermons, update pictures, post news about happenings in church and much more! If you have experience with WordPress, this is the job for you! Contact Steve Peck at steven.peck@cox.net if interested or with questions.

Office Volunteer needed: If you are willing to learn how to run a duplicator, photocopier and folding machine (or already know how) and are available to help out for an hour or so late Friday mornings on a rotating basis (once every 3 weeks) please contact Christine Wallis at office@bccucc.org or 246-0111. She will be happy to hear from you and answer any questions. Thank you.

Solar Committee volunteers needed: There is an opportunity here in Barrington for us to explore adding solar electricity. If making our buildings more green is a passion of yours, this may be a wonderful opportunity for you! You'll even have a bit of a head start, since preliminary discussions have already occurred - you'll just need to take the ball and run with it to determine if it is a right fit for us! If interested, contact Steve Peck at steven.peck@cox.net

Personnel Committee members sought: Since the bylaw change we have found that there are a few tasks that would really benefit from having a personnel committee. We are looking for a few people who would like to fill this role. You would have times where you had a series of tasks, then there would be periods of slower times where there wouldn't be much to do. This is an important and currently missing role. If you have experience in human relations, this could be perfect for you! If interested or have questions, contact Steve Peck at steve.peck@cox.net

300th Anniversary Committee: Our 300th Anniversary will be here soon! It's a big event in the life of this church and we would love to see a group start to form now to be involved with planning. What type of celebrations do we want to have? This group would help to determine that! Even if you can't necessarily help organize the events themselves, but have great ideas, we'd love to hear from you! If interested or have questions, contact Steve Peck at steve.peck@cox.net

There is a Nursery Nook available in the vestry - located directly below the sanctuary - where a parent can retreat with a fussy child during worship and still hear the service on the loudspeaker down there. If you can't hear anything, use the knob on the front of the speaker to adjust the volume. However, we believe God put the wiggle in children – so don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house! You and your child are most welcome to remain in the sanctuary if you prefer.

Keep up to date with that's happening with our on-line Church Calendar – either at <http://bccucc.view-events.com> or from the link at the bottom of any page of our church website www.bccucc.org. Please notify the office (246-0111 or office@bccucc.org) of any changes/additions/corrections needed so it can be updated and kept current. Thank you.