

# CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Sun, Jan 28		<i>Contemporary Heroes and Heroines</i>
	10 am	Worship Service, Church School
	Immediately after worship	Annual Budget meeting, Sanctuary
	12:30 – 4 pm	RICUCC Racial Justice Awareness event (Gds 8-12), Seekonk Cong Church
Mon, Jan 29	11 am	Bereavement Group, Library
Tue, Jan 30	11 am	Staff Meeting, Dale's Office
Wed, Jan 31	Noon	Deadline for eBridge
	7:30 – 9 pm	Choir Rehearsal, Vestry
Thurs, Feb 1	1:30 – 3 pm	Women's Faith Group, Library
	3 – 5 pm	Brendan's Community Office Hours, Coffee Depot
	6 pm	NAMI RI Family Support Group, Room 6
Sun, Feb 4		<i>Celebration of Holy Communion</i>
	8:30 am	CEYM meeting, Library
	10 am	Worship Service with Communion
	10 am	Children's Communion in Library then Church School
	After Worship	Pick up your Superbowl Sub order
	After Worship	Valentine making (for sending to homebound etc) at coffee hour, F'ship Hall
	12:30 – 4 pm	RICUCC 'Sliding with Faith', (Snowtubing for Grades 6 – 12), Yawgoo



## Birthdays for the Week of January 28<sup>th</sup>:

*Richard Frary, Michael Miniati, Howard Rotblat-Walker, Pat Rude, Steve Clemens, Libardo DeLaTorre, Jane Tonn, Beth Buckley, Adam Hecht, and Zane Maio.* Please keep them in your prayers.

If your birthday doesn't appear, please contact us at [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org) or 246-0111 so we can update the database.

**DEACONS FOR JANUARY:** Steve Fodor (star) Stephanie Edwards, Susan Seader, and Joe Judge. **DEACONS FOR FEBRUARY:** Kim Zeleznik (star), Abby Ashley, Chris Brady, Jon Stabach, and Bernie Hawes. In the event of a pastoral emergency after hours, if you cannot reach Dale (289-3780) or Brendan (318-2447) please call on a deacon.

**Congregational Meeting:** Our church's Annual Budget meeting is TODAY in the sanctuary immediately after worship. In addition to voting on the 2018 budget, the congregation is also being asked to vote on some proposed changes to the church's By-Laws. *All church members are encouraged to attend, and child care will be provided.*

### Warrant for the ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING Barrington Congregational Church, Barrington, Rhode Island Sunday, January 28, 2018

The annual budget meeting of the Barrington Congregational Church, UCC is hereby called to take place in the sanctuary following the regular 10:00 a.m. worship service on **Sunday, January 28, 2018**. The business to be transacted is as follows:

- ARTICLE I: To call the meeting to order.
- ARTICLE II: To review and vote on the proposed church budget for January 1—December 31, 2018
- ARTICLE III: To review and vote on the proposed changes to the By-Laws
- ARTICLE IV: To consider any other business that may properly come before the meeting.
- ARTICLE V: To adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted: *Pat Cordeiro*, Clerk

**Proposed changes to the By-Laws:** *Copies of the proposed revisions will be handed out at the meeting.* The 2014 By-laws eliminated the Personnel Team so the tasks previously done by that team need to be formally incorporated into the work of some of the other teams, in particular the Pastor Parish Relations Team (PPRT) which will become the Staff Parish Relations Team (SPRT). An ad-hoc committee spent time last year looking at the various personnel tasks and determined who should be doing each of them. They then rewrote the By-Laws to incorporate the changes, and presented them to Church Council for their approval which they gave at their November meeting. So now it's the turn of the congregation to review and then vote on these proposed changes to the By-Laws at TODAY's Annual Budget Meeting. You can also find the proposed revisions in a post on the home page of the church website [www.bccucc.org](http://www.bccucc.org),

**2018 Church Budget:** *Copies of the proposed budget will be distributed at today's meeting* and was also emailed to the congregation last week. The congregation needs to review and vote on it at TODAY's Annual Budget meeting.

**Racial Justice Awareness Confirmation Event:** TODAY the confirmation class will be attending a racial justice awareness retreat with other confirmation classes from throughout the RI conference. The retreat will be at Seekonk Congregational Church from 12:30 to 4:15 pm, and is open to all in Grades 8-12. Contact Brendan for more details [brendan@bccucc.org](mailto:brendan@bccucc.org). Additional info at [www.ricucc.org](http://www.ricucc.org) and click on the link under upcoming events.

**Community Dinner Fundraiser:** Tickets will be on sale during coffee hour starting TODAY for the Community Dinner on SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11<sup>TH</sup> in Fellowship Hall from 5-7 pm. Proceeds from the dinner will go to support our 2018 mission/service trip with the Navajo Nation. Tickets are \$10.00 a person. Children six and under eat for free! Come enjoy a delicious meal of soup, salad, and bread and support our youth.

**Superbowl Subs Fundraiser:** TODAY is the deadline for placing your order at coffee hour for a Superbowl Sub (made by the Senior Youth Group) for next SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4<sup>TH</sup>. Subs will be available for pick-up after church next Sunday or can be delivered to your home that afternoon for an additional \$1.00 per order. (Delivery to shut-ins is free). Cost is \$8.00 per 6" Italian sub (with your choice of toppings) and come with a bag of chips. You may also call in your order to Phyllis Buckley at 245-1098, or Kim Zeleznik at 247-4605. Deadline for all orders is TODAY! Proceeds will help support the 2018 Mission Trip to the Navajo Nation in Arizona.

**Seeking Altar Flower Donors for February 18<sup>th</sup>:** Thanks to everyone who responded and is paying for altar flowers next month. However, there is still a need for donor(s) to pay for either one or both of the arrangements on Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup> (your choice). If you can help, please contact Cheryl Muth at [jccbmuth@aol.com](mailto:jccbmuth@aol.com) or 433-2878.

**Bereavement Group** next meets MONDAY, JANUARY 29<sup>TH</sup> at 11 am 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.

**Next eBridge:** The next eBridge will be published THURS, FEB 1<sup>ST</sup>. Deadline for submissions is Noon *on Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>* but an earlier submission is appreciated. (Announcements deadline is always noon on the prior Wednesday.)

**Women's Faith Group** meets this THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> from 1:30 – 3 pm in the church library. The book they're reading is *Mudbound* by Hillary Jordan. Copies of the book are available from the church office at the discounted price of \$13. The group welcomes all women from BCCUCC as well as other churches and faith traditions. For more information about the group contact Jane Tonn at 289-2349 or [jtonn2@cox.net](mailto:jtonn2@cox.net)

**Community Office Hours** are when our ministers make themselves available in a more informal setting for anyone from the church or community to stop by and visit. Brendan is at The Coffee Depot, 501 Main Street, Warren on THURSDAY AFTERNOONS from 3–5 pm. Dale is hoping to resume his community office hours soon. Stay tuned!

**NAMI Family Support Group:** NAMI RI (*National Alliance on Mental Illness*) holds a monthly support group for family members of people with mental illness. Open to anyone in the community the next meeting is THURS, FEB 1<sup>ST</sup> from 6 – 7:30 pm in Room 6. For more info contact Cindy Elder at 331-3060 or [cindy.elder@namirhodeisland.org](mailto:cindy.elder@namirhodeisland.org)

**Children's Communion:** Next SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4<sup>TH</sup>, the children have a separate communion service in the library, and afterwards go to their Church School classes. Parents are reminded to drop off their children in the library at 10 am.

**Valentine making:** Next SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4<sup>TH</sup>, the congregation will have the opportunity to make valentines at coffee hour that will be sent to our homebound members and also to college students. If you have a college student, please send their name and school address to Kim Zeleznik at [kimberleyz@gmail.com](mailto:kimberleyz@gmail.com) by Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Sliding with Faith:** Next SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4<sup>TH</sup> from 12:30-4 pm, the Junior Youth Group will be joining other youth groups from throughout the RI conference for a snow tubing trip to Yawgoo. Contact Brendan for more details at [brendan@bccucc.org](mailto:brendan@bccucc.org) Additional info at [www.ricucc.org](http://www.ricucc.org) - click on the link under upcoming events.

**Knitting for Others Group:** Meets TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6<sup>TH</sup> from 7-9 pm at the home of Elizabeth Azevedo, 7 Fireside Drive, Barrington. All knitters and crocheters are welcome. Participants work on a variety of items to be given away including prayer shawls. RSVP to Elizabeth at [ezevedo17@gmail.com](mailto:ezevedo17@gmail.com) or (401) 289 3780 so she knows how many to expect. For more information about the group contact Mary Lou Slicker, 245-0085 or [rislick@fullchannel.net](mailto:rislick@fullchannel.net).

**Memory Impairment Support Group** will meet TUES, FEB 13<sup>TH</sup> from 1 - 2:30 pm in the library. It is open to patients and caregivers, and need not be members of this church. Info: contact Jim McCartney 245-3288 [jrmcc@fullchannel.net](mailto:jrmcc@fullchannel.net)

**Feasting at Fireside:** There are currently only a couple of single slots open to have dinner at the parsonage with Dale and Elizabeth - on THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15<sup>TH</sup> and WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18<sup>TH</sup>. If you'd like to fill one of these slots, sign up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0d4eaba823a6f85-feasting> or contact the church office. If there is a couple interested in dinner with the Azevedos on either of those dates, please contact Dale at [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org) or 246-0111.

**A new church directory** (without photos) generated from our database will be emailed to the congregation in mid-February. Information included will be name, address, children's names (of those still living at home), home phone, cell phone, and email address (adults only). We hope everyone will want their information included, but the database does allow for any of the phone numbers and email addresses to be unlisted. If you would like to take this option, contact the church office by Feb 5<sup>th</sup> to make your wishes known ([office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org) or 401 246-0111). If you are new to our church community and we don't yet have your information in our database, please contact the office by the deadline (see above) so that we can include you in our directory. Printed copies of the directory will be made available for those without email.

**'From the River's Edge' – the Pastor's blog.** The latest posting from Brendan 'We are all in the same boat' is on the church website [www.bccucc.org](http://www.bccucc.org). Printed copies are also available from the table in the back of Fellowship Hall.

**The New England Women's Celebration** takes place every 4 years at various locations in New England. The purpose of the Celebration is to reach women in the pews and to involve them in learning and sharing their faith beyond the local church and Conference setting. Organized by women from UCC congregations across New England, but women from all denominations and religious traditions are welcome to attend. This year Celebration X will be held April 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> in Portland, ME. Find out more at: <http://www.uccwomenscelebration.org/home> or contact Helen Schall for more information at [helenschall@hotmail.com](mailto:helenschall@hotmail.com) or 245-4724.

**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, should they wish to, 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 turn up the volume.)

**Please wear a nametag:** It helps us get to know one other, and is also welcoming to newcomers. If you don't have a permanent one, stick-on nametags are available from baskets in various locations. Please wear your nametag for worship and coffee hour. Need a nametag? Sign up for one in the vestry hallway or at the Welcome Table in Fellowship Hall. Newly made nametags are placed in the specially labeled basket on the sideboard in the vestry hallway for you to pick up.