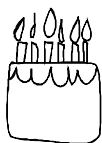


# CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Sun, Jan 3	10 am	Worship Service for All Ages with Communion, Nursery Care only
Mon, Jan 4	10 am 11 am	Bereavement Group, Library Staff meeting, Sue's office
Tues, Jan 5	7 – 9 pm 7 pm	Knitting for Others Group, Audrey Roger's home Search Committee meeting, Library
Wed, Jan 6	7 pm 7:30 pm	Deacons' Meeting, Room 6 Choir rehearsal, Vestry
Thurs, Jan 7	1:30 – 3 pm	Women's Faith Group, Library
Sun, Jan 10	8:30 am 10 am 1:30 – 6 pm 5 – 7 pm	CEYM meeting, Library Worship Service, Church School Racial Justice Awareness program for RICUCC Confirmands, Sanctuary Pasta Dinner Fundraiser, Fellowship Hall



## Birthdays for the Week of January 3<sup>rd</sup>

Any Harff, Harrison Ogden, Bill Rooks, Beth Comer,  
Jm McCartney, Bella Solanot, Becky Porter,  
Bernie Hawes, and Gracie Restituyo

Please keep them in your prayers.

## DEACONS FOR JANUARY

Joe Judge (star deacon), , Susan Rotblat-Walker,  
Chris Brady Pat Rude, Susan Seader, and Tom Wegner.

*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.*

**Pasta Dinner Tickets** are on sale TODAY during coffee hour. This is a fundraiser for the 2016 Mission Trip that will take place next SUNDAY, JANUARY 10<sup>TH</sup> from 5 – 7 pm in Fellowship Hall. There will be both vegetarian sauce and gluten-free pasta options, and you can Eat In or Take Out.

Tickets are \$10 Adult/Youth, \$6 Child (age 6-12), Child under 6 is free, and there's a \$30 maximum for a family.

Purchase your tickets TODAY - advanced ticket purchase is appreciated! Tickets can also be purchased from the church office or at the door. Questions? Contact Brendan [Brendan@bccucc.org](mailto:Brendan@bccucc.org) or 246-0111 x 2014.

**The Bereavement Group** meets tomorrow MONDAY, JANUARY 4<sup>TH</sup> at 10 am in the 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](mailto:jsbeeb@aol.com) or 245-8031 for more info.

**Lay Visitation Group** will meet a week later than usual this month – on MONDAY, JANUARY 11<sup>TH</sup> at 3:30 pm in the church library. The group members keep in touch - either by visiting or by phone - with those in our congregation who are homebound, sick, or recently bereaved etc. The group then meets with the ministers once a month to check in and share any concerns. All are welcome to be part of this caring ministry. Please contact Nancy Martin at 273-1078 or [nancy.martin3@verizon.net](mailto:nancy.martin3@verizon.net) to learn more.

**Knitting for Others Group:** The group meets this TUESDAY, JANUARY 5<sup>TH</sup> from 7 – 9 pm at the home of Audrey Rogers, 12 Zephyr Lane, Barrington. They will resume making prayer shawls, but they welcome suggestions for other projects that help others. Feel free to bring whatever project you're still working on. Questions? Contact Mary Lou Slicker at 245-0085 or [RISLick@fullchannel.net](mailto:RISLick@fullchannel.net) All knitters and crocheters are very welcome.

**Women's Faith Group next meets on THURSDAY, JANUARY 7<sup>TH</sup>** from 1:30 – 3 pm in the library. They will begin watching the movie *Invictus*. 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](mailto:nancy.martin3@verizon.net) or Jane Tonn at 289-2349 or [jtonn2@cox.net](mailto:jtonn2@cox.net).

**Headphones Available.** There are two sets of full headphones in the sanctuary for those who need extra help hearing the service. They plug into the usual box and cover both ears. Check with the ushers for availability.

**Memory Impairment Support Group** next meets on TUESDAY, JANUARY 12<sup>TH</sup> 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](mailto:jrmcc@fullchannel.net)

**The Dine Out Group** will meet on FRIDAY, JANUARY 15<sup>TH</sup> at 6:30 pm at Crossroads Pub, 133 Market Street, Warren RI. Sign up by Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> to Sue Black 245-2772 or [sueandjimblack@gmail.com](mailto:sueandjimblack@gmail.com) All are invited, both singles & couples, and new diners are always most welcome.

**Book Group – change of date.** The group has moved their January meeting to later in the month and will now meet on MONDAY, JANUARY 25<sup>TH</sup> at 7 pm at The Coffee Depot, 501 Main St, Warren to discuss the book *Book of Ages: The Life and Opinions of Jane Franklin* by Jill Lepore. All are welcome. For more info, contact Helen Schall at 245-4724 or [helenschall@hotmail.com](mailto:helenschall@hotmail.com)

**Guest Speaker at BCCUCC :** An event is being co-sponsored by our Mission and Justice Ministry team together with East Bay Citizens for Peace. The event is free and open to the public and will take place in Fellowship Hall on SATURDAY, JANUARY 23<sup>RD</sup> at 7:30 pm. Ambassador Charles W. Freeman, Jr. will speak on *The End of the American Empire: Foreign Policy without Diplomacy*. Ambassador Freeman is an American diplomat, author and writer, and he was the US Ambassador to Saudi Arabia from 1989-1992 where he dealt with the Persian Gulf War. Learn more about him and his career at [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charles\\_W.\\_Freeman,\\_Jr.](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charles_W._Freeman,_Jr.) Learn more about East Bay Citizens for Peace at [www.eastbaycitizens4peace.org](http://www.eastbaycitizens4peace.org) All are invited to attend the talk.

**Altar Flower Donors needed** to pay for the altar flowers on SUNDAY, JANUARY 31<sup>ST</sup>. Donors can pay for one or both arrangements (\$30 each). Flowers can be donated in memory, thanksgiving or celebration of a person or event. If interested contact Audrey Rogers at [adrogers8@cox.net](mailto:adrogers8@cox.net) or call (401) 246-1727.

**GFWC Bristol County Women's Club** is looking for new members to help support programs and projects in Bristol County. The group reformed in the fall and is meeting on the first Monday of the month at 6:30 pm here at BCCUCC. Their next meeting is tomorrow, MONDAY, JANUARY 4<sup>TH</sup> in Room 6. All women are welcome.

**Save the date.** With the return to the calendar fiscal year, we will be holding the BCCUCC Annual Budget Meeting on SUNDAY, JANUARY 31<sup>ST</sup> in the sanctuary immediately following the 10 am worship service. All church members are encouraged to attend and child care will be provided. Mark your calendars and please plan to be there.

**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.

**Goodwill Professional Clothes Drive:** There is currently a special Goodwill bin in the foyer of Fellowship Hall for the collection of men's and women's suits, shirts, dresses, blouses, shoes, belts, purses and anything else that might be appropriate for a person to wear for a job interview. The bin will only be here for a short time so don't delay!

**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](http://www.bccucc.org). Please notify the office (246-0111 or [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org)) of any changes/additions/corrections needed so it can be updated and kept current. Thank you.

**Please wear your nametag for both worship and coffee hour** – it helps us all get to know each other and is welcoming to newcomers. Need a nametag? Sign up for one on the sheet under the nametag rack or contact the church office.

**Pledge Envelopes for 2016** For those who requested a set of pledge envelopes for 2016, please know that they were ordered but at the time of writing have not yet been delivered. We apologize for the delay and will make them available as soon as possible. Thank you for your patience.

**It's not too late to make a pledge!** If you haven't yet made a pledge to financially support your church in 2016, *it's not too late!* Please prayerfully consider how much you can give then complete a pledge card (available from the rack outside the church office) or email our Financial Secretary, Pat Stoddard at [pat@bccucc.org](mailto:pat@bccucc.org) with the information. Making a pledge (promise) ahead of time of how much you will give in 2016 allows the Finance team to come up with a budget for the year. They are busy working on the 2016 budget and hope that as many church members and friends as possible will make a pledge. No pledge is too small or too large! Many thanks to all who have pledged for 2016 – it is much appreciated.