

# CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Sun, Jan 31	10 am After Worship	Worship Service, Church School Annual Budget meeting, Sanctuary
Mon, Feb 1	10 am 3:30 pm	Bereavement Group, Library Lay Visitation meeting, Library
Tues, Feb 2	10 am 7 pm 7 pm	CEYM Sharing meeting (RICUCC event), Library Knitting Group, Barbara Wuth's home Search Committee meeting, Library
Wed, Feb 3	5:30 pm 6 pm 7 – 8:30 pm 7:30 pm	PPRT meeting, Sue's office Deacons meeting, Room 6 Solarize Barrington Workshop, Fellowship Hall Choir rehearsal, Vestry
Thurs, Feb 4	1:30 – 3 pm	Women's Faith Group, Library
Sun, Feb 7	8:30 am 10 am 10 am After Worship 2 pm	CEYM meeting, Library Worship Service with Communion Children's Communion in Library followed by Church School Valentine making at coffee hour, Fellowship Hall JYG Snowtubing at Yawgoo (meet at church at 1 pm if carpooling)



### Birthdays for the Week of January 31<sup>st</sup>

*Griffin Rainock, Libardo De La Torre, Jane Tonn,  
Beth Buckley, Adam Hecht, Zane Maio,  
Caitlin Cuzzone, Maureen Jean, and Haley LaVena.*

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.*

**Church School schedule:** TODAY Godly Play (Pre-K – 1st gds) – The Good Shepherd & World Communion  
Growers & Shakers (2nd – 4th gds) – Jesus, the Boy Teacher  
Connect (5 & 6th gds) – Parables  
Seekers (6th & 7th gds) – Christianity (UCC)

NEXT SUNDAY FEB. 7<sup>TH</sup>

The **Seekers** will be going on a field trip to Temple Habonim. Please contact Andrea Bullard for more information if you are planning on joining the group. ([andrea@bccucc.org](mailto:andrea@bccucc.org) or 246-0111 x107)

There will be a **special children's communion** in the library at 10am for the rest of the church school children (Children should go directly to the library at 10 am)

**Our church's Annual Budget Meeting is TODAY** in the sanctuary immediately following the worship service (see Warrant below). All church members are encouraged to stay for the meeting and child care will be provided. Coffee hour will take place in Fellowship Hall following the meeting.

### Warrant for the ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING Barrington Congregational Church, Barrington, Rhode Island Sunday, January 31, 2016

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 31, 2016**. 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, 2016
- ARTICLE III: To consider any other business that may properly come before the meeting.
- ARTICLE IV: To adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted: Pat Cordeiro, Clerk

**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 10:00 am 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.

**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. The first regional meeting for the East Bay area - which included Barrington Congregational Church – was held last Sunday. However, you are welcome to attend any of the others.

**Please pick up your Pledge Envelopes for 2016** from the table in the Narthex (near where the greeters stand). If you didn't request a set but would like one, please contact our Financial Secretary, Pat Stoddard, who will be happy to give you one. She can be reached at [pat@bccucc.org](mailto:pat@bccucc.org) or (401) 246-0111 x 102.

**Search Committee update:** The Church Profile is close to completion! During these past few weeks our focus has been on Congregational Life (ours). It's been a lot of interesting work, and we've given a great deal of thought and discussion to the many areas that ask questions about who we are. We've had good discussions on subjects like what do we think makes a good sermon. I think the word "spirited" would cover our discussions and the sermon types. Once completed, we hope to share highlights of the Profile with you. I think you'll like the work that has been done. We've also set up an email account. Should you have any questions or comments feel free to send them on to [BCCUCCSearch@gmail.com](mailto:BCCUCCSearch@gmail.com).  
*Larry Ashley, Chair.*

**The Bereavement Group** meets MON, FEB 1<sup>ST</sup> 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](mailto:jsbeeb@aol.com) or 245-8031 for more info.

**Knitting for Others Group:** The group meets this TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2<sup>ND</sup> from 7 – 9 pm at the home of Barbara Wuth, 3 Fireside Drive, Barrington. They will continue making prayer shawls, but they also welcome suggestions for other projects that help others. Questions? Contact Mary Lou Slicker at 245-0085 or [rislick@fullchannel.net](mailto:rislick@fullchannel.net) All knitters and crocheters are very welcome.

**BCCUCC to host Solarize Barrington Workshop** this WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3<sup>RD</sup> from 7 – 8:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. All are invited to come learn more about the many incentives and credits that make solar affordable. Barrington resident Brian Vaughn will present his first-hand experience going solar. Representatives from the town and RGS Energy will be available to answer your questions. The deadline for participating in the Solarize Barrington program is February 15, 2016. Learn more about SolarizeRI at <http://solarizeri.com/solarize-barrington/>

**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](mailto:steven.peck@cox.net)

**Women's Faith Group** meets this THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4<sup>TH</sup> from 1:30–3 pm in the church library. They will begin 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](mailto:nancy.martin3@verizon.net) or Jane Tonn at 289-2349 or [jtonn2@cox.net](mailto:jtonn2@cox.net).

**Valentine making** for our homebound, elders and college students, will take place next SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7<sup>TH</sup> at coffee hour. All are invited to make them – the deacons provide all of the materials needed. If you have a college student who would like to receive a Valentine, please contact the church office with their name and address by *Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup>*.

**JYG Snowtubing:** Next SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7<sup>TH</sup> (Superbowl Sunday) the Junior Youth Group will have their 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Pre-Super Bowl snowtubing event at Yawgoo Valley in Exeter, RI. Parents need to reserve and pay for tickets in advance by going to <http://www.yawgoo.com/snowtubing.htm> - be sure to check the cancellation policy and weather forecast prior to purchase. Tickets go on sale at 2 pm on Thurs, Feb 4<sup>th</sup>. All in grades 6 – 8 are invited and younger siblings 42" or taller if accompanied by a parent. Please RSVP to [bccjyg@gmail.com](mailto:bccjyg@gmail.com) for any youth needing a ride or with questions. Those carpooling will meet at church at 1 pm, or families can meet at Yawgoo for the 2 pm time slot.

**JYG to provide and serve meal at Soup Kitchen** on SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13<sup>TH</sup> 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; Ginger Stabach, (401) 225-2076; Kathy Sullivan, (401) 316-5956; or Kim Zeleznik, (401) 406-1971; or email them at [bccjyg@gmail.com](mailto:bccjyg@gmail.com) for more details.

**Ash Wednesday Service** on FEBRUARY 10<sup>TH</sup> 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 FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12<sup>TH</sup> 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 Wednesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>* to Sue Black 245-2772 or [sueandjimblack@gmail.com](mailto:sueandjimblack@gmail.com)

**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](mailto: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 on Friday mornings on a rotating basis (once every 3 weeks) to help out for an hour or so late morning, please contact Christine Wallis at [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org) or 246-0111. She looks forward to hearing from you. Thank you.

**Aid to Flint Michigan:** Through gifts via the UCC's Emergency USA Fund, you can support Flint residents as they install filtering systems - and then replace the filter cartridges - to provide them with safe water for drinking, cooking and hygiene. You can make a gift online at [https://unitedchurchofchrist.nationbuilder.com/emergency\\_usa\\_fund](https://unitedchurchofchrist.nationbuilder.com/emergency_usa_fund) and designate it for 'Flint Michigan'. We will also be sending a small delegation to meet with leaders in the area, bearing our care and concern in person, and building the relationships we will need to support them through the long-term recovery.