

SUMMER CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

This covers 2 weeks and will be included in the bulletin on July 9th & 16th, 2017

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

The Church Office is OPEN Mon, Tues & Thurs, 9 am – 1 pm, Wed, 11 am – 1 pm; and CLOSED Fridays

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| Sun, July 9 | 9:30 am 7 pm | Worship Service for All Ages, Nursery Care only Outside use of Room 6 |
| Mon, July 10 | 5 – 8 pm 7 pm | R.A.D. Self Defense Program for Women, Fellowship Hall Buildings and Grounds, Room 6 |
| Tues, Jul 11 | 11 am 1 – 2:30 pm 5 – 8 pm | Staff meeting Memory Impairment Support Group, Library R.A.D. Self Defense Program for Women, Fellowship Hall |
| Thurs, Jul 13 | 3 - 5 pm 6 pm | Brendan's 'Community Office Hours' at Coffee Depot in Warren BCCUCC Softball game vs Temple Habonim, Bicknell Field |
| Sun, July 16 | 9:30 am | Worship Service for All Ages, Nursery Care only |
| Mon, July 17 | 5 – 8 pm | R.A.D. Self Defense Program for Women, Fellowship Hall |
| Tues, Jul 18 | 11 am 5 – 8 pm 6 pm 7 pm | Staff meeting R.A.D. Self Defense Program for Women, Fellowship Hall BCCUCC Softball game vs St John's, Bicknell Field Book Group, Library |
| Thurs, July 20 | 9:30am–12:30pm 3 -5 pm 6 pm | Staff Calendar Planning Meeting, Library Brendan's 'Community Office Hours', The Coffee Depot in Warren BCCUCC Softball game vs Team Unaffiliated, Bicknell Field |
| Sun, July 23 | 9:30 am | Worship Service for All Ages, Nursery Care only |



Birthdays for the Week of July 9th: EJ Anderson, Laurie Dubel, James Nellis, Leslie Strolla, Sue Terhune, Betty Gidley, and Earl Dunlap. **Birthdays for the Week of July 16th:** Zachary Arnold, Melissa Ray, Ginny Williamson, Jasmine Arnold, Michael Collins, Carole Costello, and Andrew DiOrio.

Please keep them in your prayers.

If you are celebrating a birthday and your name doesn't appear in this list, it's because we don't have your birthdate in our database. Contact the church office at office@bccucc.org or 246-0111 with the information so it'll appear next year!

Altar Flowers

- On July 9th the altar flowers are given by Dick and Barbara McWhirter in celebration of their wonderful family.
- On July 16th the altar flowers are given by John and Carolyn Faulhaber in celebration of their anniversary this month.



DEACONS FOR JULY: Larry Ashley (star), Abby Ashley, Chris Brady, Stephanie Edwards, Jon Stabach, & Kim Zeleznik. In the event of a pastoral emergency after hours, if you cannot reach Brendan (401 318 2447) or Dale after July 18th (401 289-3780), please call on one of the deacons.

Senior Minister away: Dale is out of the office through JULY 17TH. However, he was working and at General Synod from June 30th – July 4th and posted about it in his latest blog 'A Quick View from General Synod' (see below).

'From the River's Edge' – the Pastor's blog. Be sure to check out the church's website www.bccucc.org to read the latest posting 'A Quick View from General Synod' by Dale Azevedo. You can also find past posts if you missed any. Printed copies of recent posts are available from the table in the back of Fellowship Hall.

Brendan's Day Off has changed from Mondays to Fridays beginning this month. Dale's day off will change to Mondays.

Summer Musicians wanted: During the summer while the choir is on hiatus, there is an opportunity each week for members of the congregation to share their musical talents during worship. If you play an instrument or sing and are interested in providing music during the offertory, please contact our organist/choir director Marina Zabinksi at 726-5118 or marina@bccucc.org. She is available to accompany you as needed. Marina will be posting a signup calendar in the vestry so check out available dates, then sign up and contact Marina.

Want to play softball? Every summer BCCUCC fields a co-ed softball team to participate in the Barrington Churches Softball League. Any interested men aged 30+ or women aged 16+ who would enjoy playing are invited to contact Tom Strolla at ostrolla@cox.net or (401) 246-0936. Games are played Mondays, Tuesdays & Thursdays at 6 pm at Bicknell Field (at the end of Walnut Road off Lincoln). It's fun and new players are always welcome. Schedule info is below.

2017 Softball Season has begun and the schedule can be found online from the home page of the church website www.bccucc.org or under What's Happening > Information for Church Members. Copies can also be picked up from outside the church office, the vestry table or the back of Fellowship Hall. BCCUCC's first game is July 13th. Spectators/supporters are always most welcome to come cheer on the team!

Brendan's 'Community Office Hours' are now on Thursdays from 3 – 5 pm at The Coffee Depot, 501 Main St, Warren, for anyone who would like to stop by and visit. All are welcome.

The Memory Impairment Support Group meets on the following dates this summer TUESDAYS, JULY 11TH AND AUGUST 8TH - 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 information contact Jim McCartney at 245-3288 or jrmcc@fullchannel.net

2017 – 2018 Calendar dates please: On THURSDAY, JULY 20TH the staff is getting together to plan the 2017-2018 church calendar. If you or your ministry team or group has activities/meetings or anything else that they'd like to be included on the calendar, please email it to Christine at office@bccucc.org by **Sunday, July 16th**. Thank you.

Book Group next meets TUESDAY, JULY 25TH at 7 pm in the church library to discuss *Everything I Never Told You* by Celeste Ng. 'Tantalizingly thrilling, Ng's emotionally complex debut novel captures the tension between cultures and generations with the deft touch of a seasoned writer.' (Booklist starred review). For more information about the group, contact Helen Schall at helenschall@hotmail.com or 245-4724. All are welcome.

Help needed with Loaves and Fishes truck run: On THURSDAY, JULY 27TH volunteers from BCCUCC will be taking the Loaves and Fishes RI truck to Emmanuel House and Crossroads in Providence to serve the men and women there seeking nourishment, for body, mind and soul. Prep starts in the BCCUCC kitchen around 4 pm to prepare food and load the truck; with the goal of arriving at our destination by about 6 pm. Our expected return to BCCUCC for unloading and cleaning the truck is between 7 and 7:30 pm. As always, 6 people may ride in the truck, and 2 are very welcome to follow behind in a car. All ages are welcome to help prep at the church. For serving purposes, it is best to have adults (and children older than 16) travel to Emmanuel House and Crossroads.

Volunteers are also needed to donate items including homemade cookies, granola bars, hard boiled eggs, chips, peanut butter, jelly, bite size candy bars, pudding, fruit, toiletries, men's and women's t-shirts, women's personal hygiene items, new men's underwear and white socks.

Please use the SignUpGenius to register for donating items (don't forget to include the quantity you're donating), as well as to sign up to help with the prep or go out on the truck. The online sign up is at www.signupgenius.com. Click on the search icon at the top, and then search by typing in the church's e-mail address office@bccucc.org. Or use this direct link <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050a4aaca2aa75-mobile3>

If you can't sign up online and want to help, or just have questions, please contact Liz White at 401-245-0285 or lizyw2@aol.com, or Jay or Phyllis Buckley at 401-245-1098 or pbuckley6@cox.net.

Please drop off your donations in the kitchen under the sign "Donations for Loaves and Fishes" by *Wednesday, July 26th*.

Our complete church calendar can be found at <http://bccucc.view-events.com> or from the bottom of any page of the church website www.bccucc.org and is regularly updated. If you have items for inclusion, send to office@bccucc.org

Summer changes in communications & deadlines: With shorter office hours and less activity, these Announcements and the eBridge are each produced every other week on alternating weeks. Please take this into consideration when submitting items for inclusion to office@bccucc.org. Also, the weekly deadline is **Tuesdays at Noon** over the summer.

Donation forms for the Riverwalk Accessibility Project are included in today's bulletin. Information about the project is included. Having read about it, we hope you will make a donation to support this effort to make our church buildings more accessible and welcoming to all, especially those with mobility challenges. Learn more and see pictures at www.bccucc.org and follow the link to the Riverwalk Accessibility Project. Thank you to those who have already made a donation. We need to raise a lot more money to make this project a reality – and our hope is to do it this summer! *Because the walkway will go through the playground and involves moving earth and regrading, it needs to happen in the summer while the Tots Preschool is not in session.*

Join the Loose Change Challenge! Why not do what some have done and collect up all the loose change in your house, take the coins to be counted, then donate the amount to the *Riverwalk Accessibility Project*. Some banks will count your change for free if you're a customer (Webster Bank does), or you can use the Coinstar machine at Shaw's (it takes a fee for counting your change if you want cash back, but there's no fee for choosing a gift card – there are a number to choose from including Amazon). Help us raise the money needed to make the project a reality this summer. Every little helps!

Update from Mission and Justice on Refugee Families: Our Mission and Justice Team has been talking with folks from Saints Matthew and Mark Episcopal Church on how we, BCCUCC, can help them support a refugee family. They are currently committed to supporting a family from Eritrea: a mother with four children, and now have been asked to help one or two new families to become settled over the next couple of weeks. These families have all been in camps for over two years and have been thoroughly vetted. One way to help is to take part in a fundraiser offered by the RI Film Fest. Tickets are available by contacting Helen Schall (245-4724 or helenschall@hotmail.com) and are available for opening night, TUESDAY, AUGUST 8TH at 7 pm. This event is being held at the Providence Performing Arts Center and cost \$10.00. Find out more at www.rifilmfest.org

The needs for continuing support of the families are many, but financial help is the most "all-purpose." Your check to BCCUCC with "Refugee Support" in the memo line will go directly to Sts. Matthew and Mark to help them in their budgeting of resources. As we learn of specific requests, we will pass that information on to you.

Do we have your email address? If not and you'd like to receive the weekly eBridge newsletter and other mailings from the church, please send your email address to Christine at office@bccucc.org - and be sure to include your name!

Did you know?..... In 1851 "a committee to consider the propriety of altering and repairing the meeting house" made the following report.. "that it is proper and desirable that the Meeting House be altered or repaired as it would promote the happiness and convenience of those who may worship in said house and also the respectability of the Religious Society of this place. It is obvious that every community derives its character from the exterior and interior of the house in which Jehovah is worshipped". Please note the "exterior" in this quote and help as you are able to support the Riverwalk Project. (*Information about the Riverwalk Accessibility Project is included earlier in these Announcements. We hope you can help support it with a donation.*)