

CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Sun, Jun 11		<i>Mission Trip Sunday</i>
	10 am	Worship Service for All Ages, Nursery Care only
	After worship	Annual Meeting, Sanctuary
Mon, Jun 12	7 pm	Buildings and Grounds meeting, Room 6
Tues, Jun 13	11 am	Staff meeting, Dale's office
	1 – 2:30 pm	Memory Impairment Support Group, Library
	6 – 9 pm	Church Council cookout and meeting, Steve Peck's home
Fri, Jun 16	3 - 5 pm	Brendan's 'Public Office Hours' at Coffee Depot in Warren
Fri and Sat, Jun 16 and 17		Tri Conference (RI, MA & CT) Annual Meeting in Hartford, CT
Sun, Jun 18		<i>Father's Day</i>
	10 am	Worship Service for All Ages, Nursery Care only
	Noon – 2 pm	Church Tours – part of the Town's 300 th Celebration 'Heritage Weekend'



Birthdays for the Week of June 11th

Owen Voigt, Todd Williams, Ellie DeWitt, Daniel Alschuler, Molly Voigt, Mary Jacobs, John Block, Zoe Woodruff, Priscilla DiMarco, and Olivia Hecht. Please keep them in your prayers.

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

BCCUCC's Annual Meeting take's place TODAY SUNDAY, JUNE 11TH in the Sanctuary immediately following worship. All church members are encouraged to attend. Child care will be provided. The Warrant with the agenda is below.

Warrant for the ANNUAL MEETING Barrington Congregational Church, Barrington, Rhode Island Sunday, June 11th, 2017

The annual 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, June 11th, 2017**. The business to be transacted is as follows:

- ARTICLE I: To call the meeting to order.
- ARTICLE II: To receive and vote on the slate of nominees for officers, ministry teams, and delegates.
- ARTICLE III: To review and act on the proposed by-law amendments related to the Endowment Fund.
- ARTICLE IV: To request formal approval for the change to a calendar fiscal year implemented in 2016, and authority for the Clerk to make appropriate changes to the by-laws.
- ARTICLE V: To consider any other business that may properly come before the meeting.
- ARTICLE VI: To adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted: *Pat Cordeiro*, Clerk

Proposed By-Law Amendments: One agenda item (#3) is to review and vote on two proposed by-law amendments. One covers the treatment of donations received without a designated purpose. The second covers requirements to be met before distribution of endowment funds can be made for purposes other than the annual dividends. Copies of the proposals will be made available at TODAY's Annual Meeting. They've also been included in the eBridge.

The Memory Impairment Support Group next meets TUESDAY, JUNE 13TH 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

Soup Kitchen: On SATURDAY, JUNE 17TH our church is responsible for providing and serving the meal at the Christian Community Soup Kitchen at Park Place Church in Pawtucket. The teams responsible this time are both small and they could do with some help from the rest of the congregation. Kate Colby is organizing volunteers for this rotation and she's created a sign up sheet at www.SignUpGenius.com. To access it and see what is needed, click on the magnifying glass top right, then use Kate's email address of kcolby@fullchannel.net in 'Search for a Sign Up'. Once in the Soup Kitchen sign up, you'll be able to see what's still needed and sign up to either donate food and/or serve at the soup kitchen. If you have any problems signing up, please either email Kate at kcolby@fullchannel.net or the church office at office@bccucc.org and we can sign you up. Thank you. If you sign up to donate food, please remember that it needs to be in the church kitchen no later than 2:45 pm on Saturday, June 17th which is when the volunteers will be leaving.

Softball anyone? 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 usually played Mondays, Tuesdays or Thursdays starting late June at 6 pm at Bicknell Field, located at the end of Walnut Road off Lincoln. It's fun and new players are always most welcome.

Photos from the Senior Ladies Lunch can be seen on our church website www.bccucc.org and also our Facebook page www.Facebook.com/bccucc. Many thanks to the Women of Faith group and the Membership Team for once again hosting this event full of delicious food and wonderful fellowship! If you take photos at a church event and are willing to share them, please send to Dale@bccucc.org a.s.a.p. so that they can be posted in a timely manner. Thank you.

The Church's and the Town's 300th Celebration! Come join in! On the weekend of JUNE 17TH -18TH, the Barrington 300 Committee for the Town of Barrington will be hosting the first of two HERITAGE WEEKENDS! These will involve narrated mini-tours of several of the most historic areas of our Town, with a bus leaving from behind Town Hall for a series of four tours on Saturday and two on Sunday. Stops will include homes from the 17 and early 1800's, our earliest churches and several of our fascinating cemeteries! In Prince's Hill Cemetery, adjacent to Town Hall, a walk-through will include presentation by volunteers of historical information on each of 5 separate areas representing different periods of the Town's 300 years.

Many in Town may not realize that the Barrington Congregational Church was the original Colonial Meeting House and the focal point of the "Old Barrington Village" and its earliest development. Thus our Church will be prominently featured during Heritage Weekend, with tours of our beautiful historic Church building. Our Church is one of very few left in New England with 19th century carriage stalls.

Come in Colonial Costume: On SUNDAY, JUNE 18TH of the Heritage Weekend, a narrated tour of our Church will stop here at about noontime, and what better way to celebrate our exciting history than to bring to life the time of the individuals who first worshipped here! Rev. Dale Azevedo's daughter Jesse, a costume design major at Smith College, has put together a packet of wonderful information with photos of how to dress in Colonial garb. So everyone is encouraged to join in the fun and come to service that Sunday in your Colonial best! Printouts of Jesse's packet will be on the table as you leave the Sanctuary, so be sure to pick one up. A link to it was also included in this week's eBridge.

Summer Office Hours begin MONDAY, JUNE 19TH. The office will be open Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 am – 1 pm, Wednesdays from 11- am – 1 pm; and will be closed on Fridays.

Senior Minister away: Dale will be on vacation from JUNE 19TH – JULY 17TH. If you want to know what he'll be doing while he's gone, be sure to read his latest blog 'From the River's Edge' *Where in the world is Dale Azevedo?* You can find the blog from the home page of the church's website www.bccucc.org and also read any you've missed.

The Bereavement Group meets MONDAY, JUNE 19TH from 11:30 – 12:30 pm in the church library. Anyone who has lost a loved one at any time is welcome, and participants need not be from this church. For more information, contact the facilitator, Betsy Brenner at 245-8031 or jsbeeb@aol.com

Blood Drive at BCCUCC: RI Blood Center is holding a blood drive in Fellowship Hall on THURSDAY, JUNE 22ND from 3 – 7 pm. Blood donors are always needed so please consider giving the gift of life by donating blood. You can either make an appointment at www.ribc.org, using sponsor code 1562, or you can just stop by as appointments aren't necessary. Bring your driver's license or another form of identification with you. More info about donating at www.ribc.org

Volunteer Greeters needed for Blood Drive: Greeters from the church are needed for the Blood Drive (see above) If you can help anytime between 3 and 7 pm, please contact Barbara Wuth at 245-7291 or bwuth54@gmail.com Thank you.

Great American Camp Out: FRIDAY, JUNE 23RD – SUNDAY, JUNE 25TH. Free camp-out space in the field by the waterfront at Irons Homestead – the RICUCC Camp and Retreat Center in Glocester, RI. Come alone or bring a crowd. Pitch your tent or sleep under the stars. People all over the US will be camping out that weekend - join the party. Registration required. For more details visit www.ricucc.org/ironshomestead

Summer Worship Time: Beginning SUNDAY, JUNE 25TH and running through Labor Day weekend, our worship service will move to the earlier time of 9:30 am. We hope that you will join us when you're in town.

'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 'Where in the World is Dale Azevedo'. You can also find past posts there if you missed any. Printed copies of recent posts are available from the table in the back of Fellowship Hall. A link to the posts is included in the eBridge.

Riverwalk Accessibility Project needs your support: BCCUCC is seeking to make our buildings more accessible. Church Council recently approved a plan that will make it much easier for those with physical disabilities to access the Education Building from the Church Sanctuary. This new plan calls for a sidewalk to be constructed along the back of the Education Building running from the sanctuary to the terrace behind Fellowship Hall. This cuts the distance in half for those joining us at coffee hour who need ramp access. The estimated cost of the project is approximately \$30,000. To make this project happen, we need your financial support. If you can make a donation, please send a check to the church office with "Riverwalk Project" in the memo, or contact Pat Stoddard at the office (pat@bccucc.org or 401-246-0111 ext. 102). We need everyone's help to continue making our church truly welcoming to all. To learn more about this project and see pictures go to www.bccucc.org and follow the link to the Riverwalk Accessibility Project.

Your loose change can bring about change at church! How many of us have a collection of loose change in various containers around our home just waiting to be counted and put to good use? One church member had the great idea of collecting all of his loose change, taking it to Shaw's to be counted in the Coinstar machine there and then donated the entire amount to the Riverwalk Accessibility Project – over \$400! Another church member was inspired by this and did the same thing - adding another \$100 to the project (she rounded up!). We invite you to join in the **Loose Change Challenge** as a way to help us raise the \$30,000 needed to make the project a reality this summer. Every little helps!

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.....Pews were extremely important in 1773 and they cost 7 pounds 10 shillings. In 1806 with the new building came new pew owners. In 1851 or 2 the cost was \$150 which could be paid in installments and then taxed at 5 or 6% per year. In 1853 there were 62 pews and 66 owners so you could rent half a pew or one seat. #22 was owned by the estate of Rev. Heath. His daughter Helen Heath and three friends, Mona Baker being one of them, occupied that pew. For many years Mona Baker continued to occupy the same pew. Some of the noteworthy pew owners were: #1 Nathaniel Smith, #5 Joshua Bicknell, #16 Joseph Martin, #28 Ellis Peck, #32 John Vial, #53 Rebecca Bosworth. Think of the history if you're sitting in one of those numbered pews!