CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sun., June 14 10 am Worship Service led by the Rev. Sharon Key, Nursery Care only

11:45 am – 2:30 pm JYG go to Seekonk Grand Prix (5th graders also welcome)

Mon., June 15 10 – 11 am Bereavement Group, Library

11 am Staff meeting, Office 7 pm Church Council, Room 6

Sun., June 21 10 am Worship Service led by the Rev. Sharon Key, Nursery Care only

Birthdays for the Week of June 14th

Daniel Alschuler, Steve Berenback, Molly Voigt, Mary Jacobs, John Block, Lilly Hamblett, Zoe Woodruff, Priscilla DiMarco, Olivia Hecht, Gary Bilotti, Al Butler, and Ben Sylvester Please keep them in your prayers.

DEACONS

Abby Ashley (star), Liz White, Greg Voigt, Stephanie Edwards, Pat Rude, Chris Brady, Susan Seader, Larry Ashley, Joe Judge, and Susan Rotblat-Walker.

If in a pastoral emergency after hours you cannot reach either the Rev. Sharon Key (401) 241-8718 or the Rev. Ellen Brady (401) 524-7390 please contact a deacon.

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 turn up the volume.) Comfortable chairs, toys and books are provided. We invite parents and children to make use of the Nursery Nook if they would like.

Junior Youth Group go to Seekonk Grand Prix TODAY from 11:45 am - 2:30 pm. All youth in grades 6-8 are invited as well as current 5th graders as a prelude to next year's program. Those going should meet in the church library after coffee hour to depart at 11:45 am. Return to church for parent pick up at 2:45 pm. Cost: \$20 to cover pizza lunch, 3 times around the track and 12 tokens.

Interim Senior Minister called: The Rev. Susan Remick has been called to be our interim senior minister. Sue graduated from Andover Newton Seminary in 1980 and has had extensive experience as an Interim Senior Pastor. She will begin part time at BCCUCC in August and be full time from September. Her first Sunday with us will be August 2nd and following the service there will be an extended coffee hour for a 'Meet and Greet'. Save the date and plan to be here!

Fireside Parsonage for Rent: Our Interim minister will not be living in the parsonage and so we need to rent it out in order to balance our budget. If you or anyone you know is looking for a rental, please share the following information.

For Rent: 7 Fireside Drive, Barrington. Starting July 1, 2015 for 1 year. 4 bedroom and 2 full baths, living room, dining room with an updated kitchen. Plus a room in the basement and a screened in porch too! Pets are negotiable - we are pet friendly! \$2,400/mo plus utilities. Please contact Abby Ashley at 401-439-1700 or abby.ashley@nemoves.com for more information.

Pulpit Supply and Pastoral Coverage: Our associate minister, the Rev. Brendan Curran is on vacation through Tuesday, July 7th. While he is away, the following ministers will provide pulpit coverage on Sundays: Rev. Sharon Key, Rev. David Proctor and Rev. Cleo Graham. There will always be a minister 'on duty' for pastoral care, and for the next couple of weeks it will be the Rev. Sharon Key who will also lead worship today & next Sunday. The Rev. Ellen Brady is also available for emergency pastoral care thru June 17th. We thank them both for their willingness to help us out while we are without a minister. (Their contact information is listed in the 'Deacons' box above).

Phone number problem: Chris Brady and the Rev. Ellen Brady have asked that we let the congregation know that they shouldn't call their home phone number but should use their cell phones instead: Chris (401) 639-3849, Ellen (401) 524-7390. This is particularly important now as Ellen doesn't want to miss any calls for pastoral care. (If you leave a message on their *home* phone, they are not able to get it so apologize for not returning any calls left at that number.)

Haitian Hoopla 9 will take place on SUNDAY, JUNE 21ST from 4 - 8 pm at Greenvale Vineyards, 582 Wapping Rd., Portsmouth RI 02871. All are invited to join the RIC-UCC Haiti Task Force to celebrate 25 years of visiting Haiti. Special Guest is story teller Valerie Tutson. Tickets are \$65 each, or two for \$120 and can be reserved by sending a check, payable to 'UCC' to United Congregational Church, Attn: Janet Igo, 524 Valley Road, Middletown RI 02842. For more info see the flier on the bulletin boards.

Co-ed 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 should contact Tom Strolla at ostrolla@cox.net or (401) 246-0936. This year games will be played Tuesdays or Thursdays starting June 23rd at 6 pm at Bicknell Field, located at the end of Walnut Ave. It's fun and new players are always needed and very welcome. The 2015 softball schedule has been published and copies are available from the vestry table, outside the church office, the table at the back of Fellowship Hall, or on line at www.bccucc.org Get Involved > Information for Church Members.

Is your pledge for 2014-2015 almost paid? Our current pledge year ends in a couple of weeks on June 30^{th} and we hope that by then all those who pledged for the 7/1/14 - 6/30/15 period will have paid their pledge in full. Not sure how much you owe? Contact Financial Secretary Pat Stoddard in the church office at 246-0111 x 102 or pat@bccucc.org for the information. Thanks to everyone who has already fulfilled their pledge for the current fiscal year. Our church is totally self-supporting and relies on the income from your pledges to pay all its bills, maintain the buildings and pay the staff.

Deadline for reimbursements: The last day of our current fiscal year is June 30th. If you have any invoices or expenses needing reimbursement from the church, please complete a payment voucher, attach the receipt(s) and submit them to Financial Secretary Pat Stoddard no later than tomorrow, MONDAY, JUNE 15TH. Pat will contact your Ministry Team chair for the necessary approval for the reimbursement.

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.

Nametags: Please remember to wear your nametag to both church and coffee hour as it helps us get to know one another. If you need a nametag, please contact the church office or sign up for one on the sheet under the nametag rack in the vestry hallway. Be sure to specify pin, clip or string style of holder. Let's make sure that everyone has a nametag by Sunday, August 2nd – the first Sunday for our new Interim Senior Minister, the Rev. Sue Remick.

OWL Facilitator Training at BCCUCC: Have you ever thought about becoming one of the teachers/facilitators of the OWL program? Now's the chance to learn how! BCCUCC is hosting a facilitator training JULY $17^{TH} - 19^{TH}$ here at the church. The training begins at 5 pm on Friday, July 17^{th} and ends at 3 pm on Sunday, July 19^{th} . For more information see the fliers on the bulletin boards, or pick up one with a registration form outside the church office or Andrea's office. Learn more about OWL at www.ucc.org/justice/sexuality-education/our-whole-lives.html. If interested in the training or just have questions, please contact Andrea Bullard 246-0111 x 107 or andrea@bccucc.org.

The Bereavement Group meets Monday, JUNE 15TH from 10 - 11 am in the church library. The group is for anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one and new members are always welcome. For more info about the group, contact Betsy Brenner at jsbeeb@aol.com or 245-8031.

The Memory Impairment Support Group next meets TUESDAY, JUNE 23^{RD} 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 <u>irmcc@fullchannel.net</u>

Blood Drive: The RI Bloodmobile will be in our church parking lot on SUNDAY, JUNE 28^{TH} from 9 am - Noon. No appointment is necessary so please consider taking a few minutes after church to give the gift of life. (Note - June 28th is also the start of our summer worship schedule with the service beginning at 9 am). Did you know that the RI Blood Center must collect 240-280 pints of blood **daily** to meet the needs of its community, and that it relies on the generosity of volunteer blood donors. Please give blood if you are able. Thank you.

Book Group will next meet on TUESDAY, JULY 14TH at 7 pm on at the Coffee Depot in Warren. They will be reading *The Forever Girl* by Alexander McCall Smith. 'The author of the best-selling and universally adored No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency series now gives us *The Forever Girl*, a novel about love and following one's heart, and the unexpected places to which this can lead us'. Contact Helen Schall at helenschall@hotmail.com or 245-4724 for more information.

Summer Worship Schedule begins SUNDAY, JUNE 28^{TH} when the worship service moves to the earlier time of **9 a.m.** We hope that you will still be able to join us for worship during the summer before heading out for the day.

Calling all musicians: Beginning June 28th Marina invites musicians from the congregation to join her in providing music for summer worship services. If you're a talented singer or instrumentalist and feel that your music will add to the worship experience one Sunday, please volunteer by contacting Marina Zabinski at 726-5118 or marinazab62@yahoo.com. She will also be happy to accompany you if needed. A sign up sheet will be in the vestry so we don't get any conflicts! Please note that Marina and the minister have to approve all music used in worship.

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

Looking forward to 2015-2016: It's time to start planning the 2015-2016 church calendar - so ministry team and group leaders are asked to submit the dates of their various meetings and activities to Christine in the church office office@bccucc.org. As it's received, information will be put onto the church calendar to produce a tentative calendar. Our interim isn't starting until August, so we will need to put together as much of the calendar as possible before she arrives. Once she gets here we will be able to firm things up. Please help us do this by submitting your dates as soon as you are able. Thank you.

Volunteer Opportunity: Gentiva Hospice is looking for dedicated and compassionate volunteers to provide companionship and 1:1 interaction to terminally ill patients in the community. Your smile, friendship, and a few hours each month can improve the quality of someone's life, including yours! For more information, please call Gentiva Hospice (401) 738-1492 and ask for the Manager of Volunteer Services or e-mail cynthia.dynan@gentiva.com.

Donate to help Nepal Earthquake victims: The UCC Disaster Ministries is providing assistance in Nepal and neighboring areas. Online donations to their International Emergency Relief Fund can be made through the UCC website www.ucc.org/disaster. Or to donate by mail, please make checks payable to 'International Emergency Relief Fund' and mail to United Church of Christ, c/o Financial Services office, 700 Prospect Ave., Cleveland OH 44115. Thank you.

RICUCC Summer Camps: Four camps will be run at Irons Homestead this summer, each with 3 age groups – elementary, middle school, and high school. See the flier on the bulletin board for more info or visit their website which has a lot more details including the application forms http://www.ricucc.org/ministries/outdoor-ministry/

Volunteers and some **paid staff** are needed to run these camps. Visit the link above for all the details.

Nurses needed for RICUCC Summer Camps: Wondering what would be involved in volunteering at Summer Camp at Irons Homestead as a nurse for a day, an evening, a few days or a whole week? Please contact Jennifer Geary for more details: 401-710-9478; <u>jgeary@ricucc.org</u>.