

CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sun., May 11	9:15 am 10 am 11:15 am	<i>Confirmation Sunday</i> Reception for Confirmands and their families, Fellowship Hall Worship Service with Confirmation, Church School for Grades PreK-Gd 6 only Sing and Celebrate Choir rehearsal, Room 9
Mon., May 12	11 am 12:30 pm 7 pm 7 pm	<i>Deadline for Annual Reports</i> <i>Deadline for Graduate information</i> Staff Meeting, Jeff's office Bereavement Group, Library Buildings and Grounds Meeting, Room 6 Finance Team meeting, Library
Tues., May 13	7 pm	Knitting for Others Group, Marty Kee's home
Wed., May 14	2:30 pm 7:30 pm 7:30 pm	Memory Impairment Support Group, Library Marijuana Anonymous meeting, Room 8 Choir rehearsal, Vestry
Thurs., May 15	1:30 pm	<i>Deadline for June Bridge newsletter</i> Women's Faith Group, Library
Sun., May 18	10 am After Worship 11:15 am 11:30 am 2 – 4 pm	<i>Jubilation Sunday</i> Special Two Part Worship Service for All Ages: Part 1: Abbreviated Worship, with Sing & Celebrate Choir, in Sanctuary Part 2: Art Project for All in Fellowship Hall and outside Church School Registration, Foyer Light Lunch provided after art project, Fellowship Hall Meeting for those going to Turkey, Library JPF Bike Ride, meet at Shaw's parking lot by bike path



Birthdays for the Week of May 11th

*Tuckerman Lukens, Elizabeth Roach, Denise Zonfrillo,
Mark Hanchar, Meg Kiley, Marie McGlory,
Grace Ackerman, Phyllis Buckley, Nora Kiley, John White.*

Please keep them in your prayers.

DEACONS FOR MAY

Steve Peck (Star Deacon), Stephanie Edwards,
Susan Rotblat-Walker, Pat Rude & Francis Seader.

*If in a pastoral emergency after hours you cannot
reach Jeff (401 247-1787), please contact a deacon.*

Confirmation Sunday is TODAY when six of our youth are being confirmed. Following the service the congregation is invited to move outside for the traditional release of doves by the clergy and newly confirmed. We ask that the confirmands and their families be allowed to leave the service first and they will exit through the main doors. The remaining congregation is asked to leave by the vestry door. After the dove release all are invited to greet and congratulate the newly confirmed at coffee hour after the service where there will be cake!

RICUCC Summer Camps & Open House: The Conference is offering several summer camps this year at Irons Homestead for different age groups, as well as a Family Camp: *High School Camp* (rising Grades 9-12) July 13-18; *Elementary Mini-Camp* (rising Grades 3-5) July 27-30; *Middle School Camp* (rising Grades 6-8) August 3-8; *Family Camp* August 22-24. Information about the Summer Camps is available from the Conference website www.ricucc.org where there's more information about Irons as well as a photo gallery. Fliers and registration forms are also available from outside the church office or the table at the back of Fellowship Hall.

Irons Homestead Open House is TODAY from 2 – 4 pm where you can visit and meet the program staff. Located on 70 acres in northwest RI, it's worth a visit and all are welcome, whether camping this summer or not. Mothers who attend will receive a special gift. Irons Homestead is located at 688 Snake Hill Road, Glocester, RI 02857.

Annual Reports due: Church officers and ministry team chairs are reminded that their annual reports are due in to the church office by tomorrow, MONDAY, MAY 12TH for inclusion in the church's 2014 Annual Report. Your report should cover from mid May 2013 to now. Please e-mail them to office@bccucc.org – preferably as an attachment. Thanks.

Graduate information please – deadline is tomorrow: Each year we publish the names of graduates - from high school and from college - in the *June Bridge*. In order to do this we need their names! If a member of your family is graduating this spring, please call the church office (246-0111) or e-mail us at office@bccucc.org and let us know their name, from what high school or college they are graduating, and, if they plan to continue their education, at what institution. In order to be included in the *June Bridge*, information must be in the church office *by tomorrow, Monday, May 12th*.

The Bereavement Group meets tomorrow, MONDAY, MAY 12TH from 12:30-1:30 pm in the church library. The group is for anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one and new members are always welcome. Questions? Contact Betsy Brenner at jsbeeb@aol.com or 245-8031.

The Knitting for Others Group meets this TUESDAY, MAY 13TH from 7 – 9 pm at the home of Marty Kee, 3 Briarfield Road, Barrington. All knitters and crocheters are welcome to join them for an evening of knitting/crocheting and fellowship. For more information about the group, contact Mary Lou Slicker at 245-0085 or rislick@fullchannel.net

Memory Impairment Support Group: The group will meet this WEDNESDAY, MAY 14TH AND 28TH from 2:30-3:30 p.m. in the church library. Both caregivers and patients with memory impairment diagnoses such as Alzheimer's and dementia are welcome. The group is open to all - not just members of this church. It is a safe space to share experiences and coping strategies. For more information contact Jim or Lois McCartney at 245-3288 or jrmcc@fullchannel.net.

6th Annual RI Interfaith Coalition to Reduce Poverty Conference is this WEDNESDAY, MAY 14TH at Rhode Island College's Donovan Dining Hall, from 8 am – 12:30 pm (registration begins at 7:30 a.m.). Keynote Speaker is Sister Simone Campbell, visionary leader of 'Nuns on the Bus!' She is also a nationally recognized advocate attorney. The event also includes a Faith Breakfast Study on Poverty, and a choice of Advocacy and Faith Workshops. Tickets are \$25 (includes a full breakfast). On-line registration is at www.endpovertyri.org

Women's Faith Group next meets this THURSDAY, MAY 15TH from 1:30 – 3 p.m. in the church library. All women from BCCUCC as well as from other churches and faith traditions are welcome. They will continue discussion of their new book, *Evensong* by Gail Godwin. For info about the group contact Carol Louttit at 245-2299 or chl2299@aol.com.

Deadline for June Bridge newsletter is this THURSDAY, MAY 15TH. Please send info to office@bccucc.org. Thanks.

Jubilation Sunday is next SUNDAY, MAY 18TH. Celebrate our diversity with the church school children as we tell the Story of Creation, hear the story "The Crayon Box that Talked" and worship together. Please bring stuffed animals and dolls to be used as props during the service. We will have an abbreviated traditional service that will continue with an art project in the education building. Please dress casually with the possibility of making a mess! A light lunch, hosted by the Christian Education & Youth Ministries Team, will be served along with the usual coffee hour goodies. All welcome.

Church School Registration for 2014-2015 will begin after worship next SUNDAY, MAY 18TH in the foyer outside Fellowship Hall. If you registered your child for 2013-14 you'll only need to update and initial your current form. To register a child for the first time, you can download a form from the church website www.bccucc.org or get one at the registration table next Sunday. All children from nursery through 12th grade must be registered to participate in church school or youth activities, and a separate registration form is required for each child.

JPF Spring Bike Ride – change in time. Next SUNDAY, MAY 18TH at 2 pm. (an hour later than originally planned because of the various Jubilation Sunday activities at church). All 6th – 8th graders welcome. Meet in Shaw's parking lot adjacent to the bike path at 2 pm and travel to Colt State Park. Please bring money for a stop at Del's or ice cream. Plan to be back at Shaw's for 4 pm. E-mail Ginger Stabach or Kim Zeleznik at bccJPF@gmail.com with any questions!

The Book Group meets on TUESDAY, MAY 20TH at 7 pm at The Coffee Depot, 501 Main St., Warren. They will discuss *Flora* by Gail Godwin. For more information on the group, please contact Helen Schall at helenschall@hotmail.com

Our church's Annual Meeting will take place on SUNDAY, JUNE 1ST immediately following the worship service. All church members are encouraged to attend. Child care will be provided.

2nd Annual Senior Women's Lunch will take place on THURSDAY, JUNE 5TH at Noon in Fellowship Hall, hosted by the Women's Faith Group. The group welcomes senior women from the congregation to share this special lunch and fellowship with them. Please RSVP *by Thursday, May 29th* to the church office (246-0111 or office@bccucc.org) to let us know if you plan to attend and also if you need transportation.

Kathleen Lynne Fodor Scholarship application forms are available from outside the church office or the church website www.bccucc.org on the 'Information for Church Members' page. Two \$400 scholarships are awarded each year - one to a graduating senior and one to a student currently in college – who have completed the confirmation process and are currently members of BCCUCC. *Deadline for applications is Sunday, June 1st*. All who are eligible are encouraged to apply. Contact Andrea Bullard andrea@bccucc.org or 246-0111 x.107 with questions.

Baccalaureate Sunday is JUNE 8TH when our high school seniors are invited to wear their gowns and be recognized during the 10 a.m. worship service. The Kathleen Lynne Fodor Scholarship will also be awarded.

Pictures please! High school seniors are asked to send in several pictures from various stages of their lives to Jeff at jeff@bccucc.org so that a collage can be made for Baccalaureate Sunday. These can be everything from baby pictures to more recent ones, including family scenes. We can quickly scan copies of any printed photos if you stop by the church office with them. All photos need to be submitted *by Sunday, June 1st*. Thanks.

Our on-line Church Calendar is a great resource and is now available directly at <http://bccucc.view-events.com>. You can also access it from the church website www.bccucc.org. It is now the only calendar being used in the church office – and is up to date with the information we have through the end of June. Please inform Christine (246-0111 or office@bccucc.org) of any changes/additions/corrections needed so it can be updated and kept current. Thanks.

Have you made a pledge yet? We ask that everyone make a pledge for our next fiscal year (July 2014 – June 2015). Our church is totally self-supporting and relies on the income from your pledges to pay its bills and carry out its mission. Completed pledge cards may be put in the offering plate or returned to the church office. Blank pledge cards are available from the vestry hallway or the rack outside the church office. THANK YOU to everyone who has already made a pledge.

Church photo directory: All members and friends who were photographed by LifeTouch or submitted a family photo receive a free directory. Those who haven't yet picked up their copy may do so from the table in the Narthex (near where the greeters stand). Additional directories are available for purchase for \$5.00.

Nametags: Please wear your nametag to both the worship service and coffee hour. It helps us get to know each other and is particularly welcoming to newcomers. Need a nametag? Sign up under the nametag rack, or contact the office.

Our church website www.bccucc.org is regularly updated. Please let Christine know (246-0111 or office@bccucc.org) if there's information you think should be included, or corrections/changes made. We hope you will use the website as an additional tool to keep you up to date with what's happening at church. If you miss a Sunday the weekly Announcements sheet from the Sunday bulletin is posted under 'What's Happening'. We hope that visitors will also find the information on our website helpful as they look around for a church community with whom to connect and worship.

Save the date: The Service of Ordination for Ellen Brady will take place on SUNDAY, JUNE 22ND at 3 pm. All are invited.