

CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Sun, May 22		<i>Jubilation Sunday</i>
	10 am	Worship Service for All Ages (in Fellowship Hall) led by the church school children, Nursery Care only
	After Worship	Ice Cream Social, Fellowship Hall
	11:15 am	Finance team meeting, Library
	5 – 7 pm	Pasta Dinner Fundraiser, Fellowship Hall
Mon, May 23	11 am	Staff meeting, Sue's office
	7 pm	Book Group, Coffee Depot
Tues, May 24	Cancelled	Memory Impairment Support Group
	7 pm	Search Committee meeting, Library
Wed, May 25	4 – 8 pm	Outside rental of Fellowship Hall
	7:30 pm	Choir rehearsal, Vestry
Sun, May 29		<i>Deadlines for Annual Reports and for KLF Scholarship applications</i>
	10 am	Worship Service for All Ages, Nursery Care only



Birthdays for the Week of May 22nd

Diane Mason, Evan Shoaf, Will Restituyo, Brock Carroll, Declan Cooke, Greg Voigt, Drew Graham, Will Huard, Ann Doran and Robert Knight.

Please keep them in your prayers.

DEACONS FOR MAY

Susan Seader (star deacon), Chris Brady, Pat Rude, Susan Rotblat-Walker, Joe Judge, Tom Wegner.

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.

Our church calendar is at <http://bccucc.view-events.com>

TODAY is Jubilation Sunday! The theme for this year is, "The Unbroken Circle," because we are celebrating all the ways God's Love circles around us and connects us together. Camellia Lee, our guest dance teacher who offered the program "Moving with the Word" in April, is here to share sacred dance as part of the service. Sidy Maiga, a Malian drummer, will accompany Camellia and share his talent with us as well. Jubilation Sunday is an opportunity for the church school to share what they've learned all year and for church school volunteers and leaders to be thanked.

Ice Cream Social is TODAY following the worship service. It is hosted by the Christian Education and Youth Ministries Team and all are invited. We hope that all will stay and enjoy ice cream with some delicious toppings!

Church School Registration for 2016-2017 begins TODAY after worship in Fellowship Hall. If you registered your child for 2015-16 you'll only need to update and initial your current form. To register a child for the first time, you can fill out a registration form at the table TODAY. All children from nursery through 12th grade must be registered to participate in church school or youth activities (including confirmation, youth group, mission trips, and OWL). A separate registration form is required for each child.

Gourmet Pasta Dinner Fundraiser for the Mission Trip is TODAY from 5 - 7 pm in Fellowship Hall. Those who attended the one in January will tell you that the food is delicious and not to be missed! Tickets are Adult/youth \$10, Children (under 12) \$6, Family max \$40. Tickets are on sale at coffee hour TODAY or can be purchased at the door. The menu is: Caesar Salad; Bread; Penne pasta* with a choice of three home-made sauces (Bolognese, Marinara or Vodka Pink Sauce); Dessert buffet with everything baked from scratch! *gluten-free pasta is also available. You can choose to eat in or take out! The event is open to the entire community so bring your friends!

Bridge deadline: The deadline for the June and summer *Bridge* newsletter is past. However, if you have any last minute items, please submit them to Christine at office@bccucc.org BY NOON TOMORROW and she'll do her best to include them. Please send information about anything happening over the summer as the newsletter will be the last one until September. Thank you.

Final call for graduation information! It is our tradition to publish in the *Bridge* the names of those from our church who are graduating from high school, college, or other institute of higher learning each spring. If you have someone graduating, please send their name, the school/college from which they are graduating, and if appropriate, where they are continuing their education. Information should be sent to office@bccucc.org or call the church office at 246-0111 **by noon tomorrow** in order to be included. Thanks to all who have already submitted graduation information.

Deadline for Annual Reports: Church officers and ministry team leaders are reminded that they need to write a report for inclusion in our church's Annual Report. If you have them please also include any goals for the upcoming year. The deadline for reports to be submitted to the church office at office@bccucc.org is NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 29TH. For reference, previous year's Annual Reports can be found on the church website www.bccucc.org under Get Involved > Information for Church Members. Copies of last year's report are available outside the church office.

Kathleen Lynne Fodor Scholarships: Two scholarships are awarded each year - one to a high school graduate going on to further education, and one to a student already in college. Graduating high school seniors and college students *who have been confirmed and are members of this church* are eligible to apply. Application deadline is NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 29TH and the scholarships are awarded on Baccalaureate Sunday, June 5th. Applications forms are available from outside the church office and also at www.bccucc.org under Get Involved > Information for Church Members

Please wear a Nametag: Since today's service is not in the sanctuary, the regular nametags are not available. Instead there is a basket of stick-on nametags and markers on the table at the back of Fellowship Hall for you to make a temporary nametag. We encourage all to wear nametags as it is both welcoming to newcomers and helps us get to know each other.

Senior Ladies Lunch - have you signed up yet? The 4th Annual Senior Ladies Lunch will take place on THURSDAY, JUNE 2ND at Noon in Fellowship Hall. It will be hosted by the Women's Faith Group and the Membership Team, and all Senior Ladies from the church are invited. (Not sure what constitutes a 'Senior'? You decide!) If you would like to attend, please either sign up at coffee hour TODAY or contact the church office at (401) 246-0111 or office@bccucc.org

Book Group meets tomorrow, MONDAY, MAY 23RD at 7 pm at The Coffee Depot, 501 Main St, Warren to discuss *'Think of a Number'* by John Verdon. "A former Manhattan ad executive, Verdon spins an engrossing web of baffling puzzles. Add these enigmas to the novel's other features - a compellingly introspective protagonist, minutely observed subtleties of character, a strong narrative pull - and you have an outstanding debut, sure to enchant a wide range of readers." All are welcome to come to Book Group. For more info, contact Helen Schall at 245-4724 or helenschall@hotmail.com

Memory Impairment Support Group will NOT meet on May 24th as the McCartney's have to be out of town. Their next meeting will be on TUESDAY, JUNE 14TH 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 or Lois McCartney at 245-3288 or jrmcc@fullchannel.net

The Bereavement Group meets MON, JUNE 6TH 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 or 245-8031 for more info.

Our Church's Annual Meeting will take place on SUNDAY, JUNE 12TH in the sanctuary immediately following the worship service. All church members are encouraged to attend and child care will be provided. Save the date!

Summer Worship plans: Beginning Sunday, June 26th through September 4th our worship service will begin at 9:15 a.m. We hope that you will continue to worship with us over the summer as a special themed service has been planned for each week as well as a special 'treat' after worship. Included in today's bulletin is a listing of what's been scheduled so far – be sure to take a look. Although the special music hasn't been finalized for every Sunday (so are listed as tba), there are some exciting things in the works. Stay tuned!

Keep up to date with what'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.

Haiti Update: Many thanks to all who donated art supplies and funds for the One Egg Project in Haiti. The art and school supplies were packed up last Sunday and will be on board with Trish Sylvester and others from the RICUCC Haiti Task Force when they fly to Haiti this Tuesday, May 24th. Your generous monetary contributions came to \$760, enough to purchase 76 chickens, which will eventually provide nourishing hard boiled eggs for hungry Haitian children.

Congratulations to our own Gabi Sclafani! On Wednesday, May 11th Gabi, Rev. Sue, and Pat Rude as chair of Deacons, met with the Church and Ministry committee of the RI Conference of the UCC. Steve Fodor was there too as he serves on the committee. Gabi was there to present her paper and be interviewed. She was making her formal request to become a Member in Discernment, the first step in entering the ordained ministry and we were there as representatives of her sponsoring church. As you can imagine, it did not take long for the whole committee to wholeheartedly endorse her! We are so proud. It is quite an honor for a church to "sponsor" a member in discernment. More news on how we can support Gabi as she enters Seminary in the Fall will be forth coming in future Bridge articles. For now, we want to say, "Well done, Gabi!". We invite everyone to come to church on July 10th when Gabi will be preaching (see insert).

Sparks are flying in Barrington! Research shows that youth who identify and pursue their sparks or passions are more likely to feel they have a purpose and to experience positive academic, social and behavioral outcomes. A number of opportunities are being made available to help Barrington youth, including a workshop on JUNE 2ND for parents, youth leaders, teachers etc; and Camp iAm from JULY 5TH – 8TH for middle school youth (see below). See the flier on the bulletin board or visit www.thebayteam.org for more information about these and other opportunities.

Camp iAm helps middle school youth find their sparks! Based on the Search Institute's Spark curriculum and Howard Gardner's Multiple intelligence Theory, this experiential summer camp is a collaboration of The BAY Team, Dena Davis and ACTION Performance and Leadership, and the Town of Barrington's Recreation Department. This year's camp runs July 5-8, 2016. Call the Bay Team for more information at 247-1900 ext.316.

Information still needed about the weathervane: As many of you know, the weathervane that was on top of our steeple broke last year, so it was taken down. As a decision is made about a possible replacement, the Buildings and Grounds team is looking for information about its history. Do you know what happened to the weathervane when the steeple blew off in the hurricane of 1938? Do you know anything about any previous weathervanes? Please contact Paul Dennis at wrbtwks@aol.com or 245-6296 if you can help. Thanks.

'These Days' Daily Devotions for Living by Faith: These booklets are made available free to the congregation by your Deacons and anyone is welcome to take a copy. They can be found on the sideboard in the vestry hallway, the rack outside the church office, or at the back of Fellowship Hall. Copies for April – June 2016 are currently available.

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Free Piano: We are trying to find a new home for the upright piano that's in Fellowship Hall. It is no longer needed and we'd love to see it going to someone who could use it. Contact the church office office@bccucc.org or 246-00111 if interested. Feel free to check it out today after the worship service.