

## CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sun., May 25	10 am	Worship Service for All Ages, Nursery Care only
Mon., May 26		<b>Memorial Day</b> OFFICE CLOSED
Wed., May 28	2:30 pm	Memory Impairment Support Group, Library
	5:30 pm	Wedding Rehearsal, Sanctuary
	7:30 pm	Marijuana Anonymous meeting, Room 8
	7:30 pm	Choir rehearsal, Vestry
Thurs., May 29	1:30 pm	Women's Faith Group, Library
	3 pm	Wedding of Jennifer Silva and Michael Collins, Sanctuary
Sat., May 31	8 am – 1 pm	Tot's Yard Sale, Parking Lot
Sun., June 1		<i>Deadline for Kathleen Lynne Fodor Scholarship Applications</i>
	10 am	Worship Service with Communion, Pray and Play
	After Worship	Annual Meeting, Sanctuary



### Birthdays for the Week of May 25<sup>th</sup>

*Ben Caesar, Brock Carroll, Declan Cooke, Greg Voigt,  
Drew Graham, Will Huard, Ann Doran,  
Alexis Brenner, Matthew Brenner, William Buckley,  
Bridgett McCoy, Lily Sylvester, Luc Brieger, Eva Brieger,  
Liza DeWitt, Abby Voigt, and Brittany Muth.*

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*

**URGENT:** Budget decisions will be made at the Annual Meeting next Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>.  
We need your pledge to finalize the budget for July 2014-June 2015.

If you consider BCCUCC your church home and you haven't yet made a financial pledge for our upcoming fiscal year, we ask that you do so now! Our church is totally self-supporting and relies on the income from your pledges to pay its bills and carry out its mission. The Finance Team has been working hard on the budget – based on pledges received – and the budget that they are proposing will be sent to the congregation by the end of this week, ahead of the Annual Meeting next Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup> (see below). Currently there are insufficient pledges to cover what is proposed, and we don't want to have to cut any programs due to a lack of pledge income. So if you haven't yet pledged there's very little time left!! The quickest way to make a pledge is to send an e-mail stating how much you wish to pledge to our Financial Secretary, Pat Stoddard at [pat@bccucc.org](mailto:pat@bccucc.org). Or complete a pledge card and put it in the offering plate or return to the church office (blank pledge cards are available from the vestry hallway or the rack outside the church office). THANK YOU to the many people who have already made a pledge to support our church.

**Our church's Annual Meeting** will take place NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup> immediately following the worship service (see Warrant below). All church members are encouraged to attend. One of the main items under consideration is the budget for our next fiscal year. Child care will be provided.

### WARRANT FOR ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Barrington Congregational Church, United Church of Christ is hereby called to take place on **Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014** in the Sanctuary **immediately after Worship**. 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 vote on the proposed church budget for July 1, 2014—June 30, 2015.
- Article IV:** To consider any other business that may properly come before the meeting.
- Article V:** To adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, *Lorraine Kenney*, Clerk

**The 2014 Annual Report** was e-mailed to the congregation on Friday, and some printed copies are available for pick up TODAY from the table in the Narthex for those without e-mail.

**2014 – 2015 Proposed Budget:** Because of the slow response of some to this year's Stewardship Campaign, the proposed budget for our next fiscal year could not be included in the Annual Report. Instead it will be e-mailed to the congregation this THURSDAY, MAY 29<sup>TH</sup>. For those without e-mail, there will be some printed copies available from the church office on Thursday afternoon, and also from the narthex next Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup> for the Annual Meeting.

**Welcome Ellen....& save the date:** We are very pleased that Ellen Brady is leading worship this morning while Jeff is having a weekend away. Be sure to mark your calendar for Ellen's Service of Ordination that will take place here in our Sanctuary on SUNDAY, JUNE 22<sup>ND</sup> at 3 pm. A reception will follow. All are invited.

**Nursery Nook available:** There is a Nursery Nook 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. Comfortable chairs, toys and books are provided. We invite parents and children to make use of the Nursery Nook if needed.

**Office Closings:** The church office will be closed on MONDAY, MAY 26<sup>TH</sup> for Memorial Day and it will also be closed on FRIDAY, MAY 30<sup>TH</sup> as Christine is taking a day off.

**Search Committee recommends candidate for Associate Minister:** All church members and friends should have received a mailing with information about Mr. Brendan Curran, the candidate the Search Committee is recommending to be our next Associate Minister. Additional copies of the brochure are available from the vestry table etc.

Everyone will have a chance to meet Brendan at an **open reception** to be held on SATURDAY, JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup> from 4:30 – 6 pm in the church library. All are invited and you are welcome to come by any time.

Then on SUNDAY, JUNE 8<sup>TH</sup>, **Brendan will lead worship.** Immediately following the service, there will be a special congregational meeting to act on the Search Committee's recommendation (see warrant below). This will be a busy and very important morning as it is also Baccalaureate Sunday – so mark your calendar and be sure to join us.

**Warrant for a SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING  
of Barrington Congregational Church, UCC**

This is a call to the congregation for a special meeting to take place in the Sanctuary following the worship service on **Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014.** The business to be transacted is as follows:

**Article I:** To call the meeting to order.

**Article II:** To act upon the recommendation of the Search Committee for an Associate Minister.

**Article III:** To consider any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

**Article IV:** To adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, *Lorraine Keeney*, Clerk

**Pray and Play Church School** is being offered JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup>, 8<sup>TH</sup> AND 15<sup>TH</sup> for all elementary age children (from PreK up). Children will be in the sanctuary for the first part of the service and then leave for Pray and Play part way through worship. The program includes sharing Bible stories, arts and crafts, healthy snacks and plenty of outdoor play.

**Volunteers** willing to help with Pray and Play should contact Andrea Bullard ([andrea@bccucc.org](mailto:andrea@bccucc.org))

**Last call for pictures of High School Seniors!** High school seniors are asked to send in several pictures from various stages of their lives to Jeff at [jeff@bccucc.org](mailto: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 next Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>*. Thanks.

**Baccalaureate Sunday** is JUNE 8<sup>TH</sup> 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 (see below)

**Kathleen Lynne Fodor Scholarship application forms** are available from outside the church office or the church website [www.bccucc.org](http://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 next Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>.* All who are eligible are encouraged to apply. Contact Andrea Bullard [andrea@bccucc.org](mailto:andrea@bccucc.org) or 246-0111 x.107 with questions.

**Attention 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> graders:** The final JPF event of the year is scheduled for SUNDAY, JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup> and fifth graders are also invited to attend. Meet in the church library after worship for an 11:45 a.m. departure to go to Seekonk Grand Prix – return at 2:30 p.m. for parent pick up. Cost is \$20 per person and includes a pizza lunch, 3 trips around the track and 12 tokens for the arcade. Watch your e-mail inbox for details or contact Laurie Dubel, Ginger Stabach, or Kim Zeleznik at [bccJPF@gmail.com](mailto:bccJPF@gmail.com)

**Memory Impairment Support Group:** The group will meet WEDNESDAY, MAY 28<sup>TH</sup> 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](mailto:jrmcc@fullchannel.net).

**Women's Faith Group** next meets on THURSDAY, MAY 29<sup>TH</sup> 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](mailto:chl2299@aol.com).

**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Senior Women's Lunch** will take place on THURSDAY, JUNE 5<sup>TH</sup> 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 this Thursday, May 29<sup>th</sup>* to the church office (246-0111 or [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org)) to let us know if you plan to attend and also if you need transportation.

**Softball:** We field a co-ed team each year to participate in the Barrington Churches Softball League and it is open to men aged 30+ and women aged 16+. Anyone interested in playing should contact Tom Strolla at [ostrolla@cox.net](mailto:ostrolla@cox.net) or 246-0936. Games begin at 6 pm on Mon, Tues or Thurs starting late June. New players are always needed and welcomed.

**2014-2015 Church Calendar dates:** Ministry teams, groups and others should start thinking about their plans for 2014-2015 as they need to submit information for inclusion on the church calendar. Dates for meetings, events and other activities should be sent to Christine at [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org) by *Monday, June 16<sup>th</sup>*.

**Tots' Preschool Annual Yard Sale** is SATURDAY, MAY 31<sup>ST</sup> from 8 am - 1 pm in the commuter parking lot of our church. Anyone with items they are willing to donate to the yard sale can bring them to Tots' on Thursday or Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup> or 30<sup>th</sup>, or bring items directly to the sale early Saturday morning. All proceeds benefit Tots', a non-profit preschool that has rented space at our church for over 50 years.