

CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sun., May 3	8 am 9:15 am 10 am After Worship 3 – 6 pm	<i>Confirmation Sunday</i> CEYM meeting, Library Breakfast for Confirmands and their families, Fellowship Hall Worship Service with Communion and Confirmation, Church School for PreK – Grade 4 only Sing and Celebrate Choir rehearsal, Room 9 Junior Youth Group prep and paint Room 9
Mon., May 4	11 am 3:30 pm	Staff meeting, Jeff's Office Lay Visitation meeting, Library
Tues., May 5	6:30 pm	Knitting Group potluck, Marty Kee's house
Wed., May 6	7:30 pm 7:30 pm	Choir rehearsal, Vestry Deacons Meeting, Room 6
Thurs., May 7	1:30 – 3 pm	Women's Faith Group, Library
Fri., May 8	1 pm 6:30 pm	Church Office closes early Dine Out group, Venus De Milo restaurant
Sat., May 9	3 pm	BCCUCC leaves to serve meal at soup kitchen
Sun., May 10	10 am After Worship	<i>Jeff's Last Sunday at BCCUCC</i> Worship Service for All Ages with Ritual of Parting, special music and guests, Nursery Care only All Church Gathering for Jeff and Kathleen's leaving, Fellowship Hall



Birthdays for the Week of May 3rd

*Brittany Bennet, Cynthia Loomis, Elizabeth Meade,
Alicia Hamblett, Michaela Hurley, Katrina Swihart,
Susan Doss, David Graham, Andrew Cooke, Chip Kreuzkamp,
Emmee Williams, Ginger Cater, Vicki Hosford, Lori Rosa,
Olivia Soares, Betsy Staples, and Doug Tonn.*

Please keep them in your prayers.

DEACONS FOR MAY

Francis Seader (star), Susan Rotblat-Walker,
Pat Rude, Susan Seader, and Stephanie Edwards.
*If in a pastoral emergency after hours you cannot
reach Jeff (247-1787) or Brendan (318-2447)
please contact a deacon.*

Power is restored: We are very happy to report that the electricity is working again in Fellowship Hall and the far end of the CE building. We thank you for your patience and flexibility while the problem was resolved.

Jeff and Kathleen's last day with us will be next SUNDAY, MAY 10TH (Mother's Day). Following the service - which will include a Ritual of Parting, special music and guests - we will be holding an All-Church Gathering with lunch, when our church community will gather together and celebrate the 9 years we have spent together. Everyone is invited – including the children! We hope you can join us as we say farewell to Jeff and Kathleen.

Extra help needed for Gathering: If you would like to help with the lunch portion of the Gathering on May 10th (setting up, clearing up, providing food etc), please contact Pat Stoddard at pat@bccucc.org or 245-7449. She is coordinating this part of the event and has the names of people who've offered to help so far. Additional volunteers would be most appreciated.

Annual Reports Deadline is past! If you're a team leader or church officer and haven't yet submitted your Annual Report to the church office, please do so by noon tomorrow at the latest. Reports should be sent as an attachment to Christine at office@bccucc.org or dropped off in the church office. For reference, last year's Annual Report can read on the church's website www.bccucc.org under Get Involved > Information for Church Members.

Junior Youth Group painting: TODAY from 3 – 6 pm, members of the JYG will prep and paint Room 9 in the CE building, followed by a pizza dinner. All youth in grades 6 – 8 are welcome. Please remember to wear appropriate clothing for painting, and to bring \$5 for pizza.

The Knitting for Others Group is having a Potluck Supper for Kathleen Larsen's last time with the group. It will take place this TUESDAY, MAY 5TH at 6:30 pm at the home of Marty Kee, 3 Briarfield Road., Barrington. If you're part of the group and haven't yet signed up, please do so by contacting Mary Lou Slicker at 245-0085 or rislick@fullchannel.net. Also, bring any finished projects with you so that they can be distributed.

The Women's Faith Group meets this THURSDAY, MAY 7TH from 1:30 – 3 pm in the library. The group is discussing the book *Me Before You* by Jojo Moyes and copies are available for purchase from the church office. Questions? Contact Carol Louttit 245-2299 or chl2299@aol.com or Jane Tonn 289-2349 or jtonn2@cox.net

The Dine Out Group will meet this FRIDAY, MAY 8TH at 6:30 pm at Venus de Milo restaurant, 75 GAR Highway, Swansea MA. This will be their last get together until the fall and the last one with Jeff and Kathleen. All are invited, both singles & couples. *RSVP's by this Tuesday, May 6th* to Sue Black 245-2772 sueandjimblack@gmail.com

Soup Kitchen: BCCUCC is providing the meal at the Soup Kitchen in Pawtucket this SATURDAY, MAY 9TH - teams responsible are Mission & Justice, and Chancel. Anyone willing to assist in any way – either on this date or some future date – are asked to contact our Soup Kitchen Coordinator, Diane Todd at 245-4681 or diane.todd@verizon.com

Church Office closing early: On FRIDAY, MAY 8TH the church office will close at 1 pm. Sorry for any inconvenience.

The Bereavement Group meets MONDAY, MAY 11TH 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 meets TUESDAY, MAY 12TH 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 jrmcc@fullchannel.net

The Book Group meets TUES, MAY 12TH at 7 pm at The Coffee Depot, Warren to discuss *Mona Lisa: a Life Discovered* by Dianne Hales. All welcome. Contact Helen Schall at helenschall@hotmail.com or 245-4724 for more information.

Mobile Loaves and Fishes Truck Run: BCCUCC is sponsoring the Mobile Loaves and Fishes (MLF) run on WEDNESDAY, MAY 27TH. The truck will go to various locations in Providence serving those in need, offering fellowship, food, clothing, and toiletries. Preparation begins at 4:00 p.m. at BCCUCC, they'll leave for Providence around 5:30 and return around 7:30 p.m. There are many jobs involved in getting the truck stocked and ready to serve; so much help is needed with: donations of food items; donations of men's new boxer shorts, t-shirts, white socks and toiletries; preparation of food; going out with the truck and passing out food and clothing from the truck; and cleaning out the truck when it returns to BCCUCC. Collection boxes will be available in Fellowship Hall.

There is an online sign up at www.signupgenius.com for either donating items or helping with preparation etc. Click on the 'Find a Sign Up' tab near the top, and then search by typing in the church's e-mail address office@bccucc.org. If you can't sign up online and want to help, or just have questions, please contact Jay or Phyllis Buckley at 401-245-1098 or pbuckley6@cox.net; or contact Liz White at 401-245-1098 or lizzyw2@aol.com. For more info about Mobile Loaves and Fishes visit www.mlf.org

Jubilation Sunday is MAY 31ST and a special service is being planned for all ages that will take place outdoors on the hillside by the labyrinth, weather permitting. *If you would like to volunteer to help or be part of the service* – children, youth and adults – please contact Andrea Bullard (andrea@bccucc.org) or Brendan Curran (Brendan@bccucc.org) or call them at the church office (401) 246-0111. The service will be followed by a pot luck hosted by CEYM. So mark your calendar and plan to bring yourself, family and friends, blankets to sit on picnic style or camp chairs, and a favorite dish to share at the potluck.

3rd Annual Senior Women's Lunch will take place on THURSDAY, JUNE 4TH 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 28th* to the church office (246-0111 or office@bccucc.org) to let them know if you plan to attend and also if you need transportation.

It's not too late to make a pledge. 'Be the Church' is the theme for our Stewardship Campaign and we ask that everyone make a pledge for our next fiscal period of July – December 2015. Our church is totally self-supporting and relies on the income from your pledges to pay its bills and carry out its mission. Please put your completed pledge card in the offering plate or return it to the church office as soon as possible. Should you need one, 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.

Food Drive for TAPIN: The annual mail carrier's food drive is SATURDAY, MAY 9TH and all food collected goes directly to TAPIN. On that day, please leave out early a bag of non-perishable food items in unbreakable containers. Canned goods such as vegetables, soups, spaghetti sauce, tuna fish, fruit, as well as peanut butter, pasta and cereal are needed most. Also nice to give to clients are condiments, dry milk, snacks, crackers, coffee/tea, personal care items and baking supplies. If you miss the drive on May 9th items can be delivered to TAPIN located in the lower lever of the Barrington Library building at 281 County Road. They are open from 9 am - Noon, Monday - Friday.

TAPIN is also in need of **pots and pans** as well as flatware and dishes for their clients. If you have any to donate, please drop them off at TAPIN (location and hours listed above). To learn more about TAPIN (Touch a Person In Need) as well as volunteer opportunities, visit www.tapinri.com. Questions? Call TAPIN at 401 247-1444.

Kathleen Lynne Fodor Scholarship application forms are available on line at the church website www.bccucc.org under Get Involved > Information for Church Members. Copies are also available from the rack outside the church office. Two \$400 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. Deadline for applications is May 31st and the scholarships will be awarded on Baccalaureate Sunday, June 7th.

Donate to help Nepal Earthquake victims: The UCC Disaster Ministries has already started to provide assistance both within Nepal as well as in neighboring areas. Online donations to their International Emergency Relief Fund can be made through the UCC website www.ucc.org/disaster If you prefer 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.

The Destiny Africa Children's Choir will be performing at the Evangelical Covenant Church of Riverside (165 Rounds Ave, Riverside, RI) on SUNDAY MAY 17 at 6 pm. This talented group of children tours the world sharing their music and stories of faith. St. James Lutheran Church, Barrington and the Evangelical Covenant Church of Riverside are partnering to bring them to us for a special performance. A free will offering will be taken at the door. The proceeds of the offering will benefit the Kampala Children's Centre, home to the children who perform in the choir as well as many other orphaned children in Uganda. Find out more at www.destinyafrica.org Questions? Contact Rev. Andrew Simon at (401) 246-1331.

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.