

# CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

*Church Office Hours this week are Mon, Wed, Thurs & Fri 9:30 am-12:30 pm; Tues 9:30 am - 3 pm*

Sun, Oct 29		<i>Deacons' Sunday</i>
	10 am	Worship Service, Church School
	After Worship	'Trunk or Treat' in Parking Lot
	After Trunk or Treat	Sing and Celebrate Choir Rehearsal, Room 6
	11:30 am – 1 pm	Conversations about our Church, Library
	Noon – 2 pm	Confirmation Class, Room 9
Mon, Oct 30	11 am	Bereavement Group, Library
Tues, Oct 31	11 am	Staff meeting, Dale's Office
Wed, Nov 1	9:30 am	Endowment Team meeting, Room 6
	7 pm	Deacon's Meeting, Library
Thurs, Nov 2	1:30 – 3 pm	Women's Faith Group, Library
	3 - 5 pm	Brendan's Community Office Hours, The Coffee Depot
	6 – 7:30 pm	NAMI Family Support Group, Room 6
	7 pm	Embracing an Adult Faith, Library
Fri, Nov 3	6:30 pm	Deacons' Retreat, Larry and Abby Ashley's home
Sat, Nov 4	8 am – 2 pm	RICUCC Autumnal Meeting, Central Congregational Church
	9 am – 3 pm	Youth Mission and Service Day (Confirmands & SYG)
	Bedtime	Turn your clocks back 1 hour (Daylight Savings Time ends)
Sun, Nov 5		<i>Martyrs and All Saints Sunday</i>
	8:30 am	CEYM Meeting, Library
	10 am	Worship Service with Communion
	10 am	Children's Communion Service in Library then Church School
	After Church School	Sing and Celebrate Choir Rehearsal, Room 6
	11:15 am – 1:15 pm	Confirmation Class, Room 9
	5 – 7 pm	Community Vegetarian Dinner, Fellowship Hall



**Birthdays for the Week of Oct 29<sup>th</sup>:** *Nancy Baker, Bob Marshall, Axel Weber, Kate Bonneau, Heather Williamson, Rey Willier, Kris Dunlap, Hannah LaVena, Angus Macaulay, Ben Martel, Nancy Martin, Janet Morrison, Gus Kreuzkamp, and Colin Peck.* Please keep them in your prayers.

If your birthday doesn't appear, please contact us at [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org) or 246-0111 so we can update the database.

**DEACONS FOR OCTOBER:** Abby Ashley (star), Jon Stabach, Kim Zeleznik, and Chris Brady. In the event of a pastoral emergency after hours, if you cannot reach Dale (401 289-3780) or Brendan (401 318-2447) please call on a deacon.

**Trunk or Treat is TODAY!** Thank you to everyone who has decorated their car trunk and/or come to worship in costume today! Thanks also to the Junior Youth Group members who decorated Fellowship Hall during their sleepover yesterday evening. Decorated cars were asked to park in the spaces along the back row of the parking lot next to the grass. All are invited to trick or treat the car trunks in the church parking lot during coffee hour TODAY.

**Gala Jazz Brunch** for our church's 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: Last chance to make a reservation is TODAY (unless we're already full) so make your reservation TODAY at coffee hour. All are invited to attend but seating is limited. The Brunch is on SUNDAY, NOV 12<sup>TH</sup> from 12–3 pm at Barrington Yacht Club See the insert in today's bulletin for all the details including the menu, the list of former ministers who will be joining us that day, and how to reserve a seat.

**Cards for Sale:** As part of the 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Marion Fodor of the Historical Group will be selling cards - in greeting card (3 for \$5) and note card (5 for \$5) sizes - at coffee hour again TODAY. The cards are blank inside and have a color picture of the church on the front that is of a watercolor painting by long time church member Mary Kutcher.

**300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary clothing and totes:** Deadline to order clothing or totes with the 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary logo is TODAY. Orders with payment will be taken at coffee hour. In addition to totes, vests, and short sleeve t-shirts, this time we are also offering long sleeve t-shirts. Order forms with all the details are in Fellowship Hall.

**Sing and Celebrate Choir** rehearsals continue TODAY in Room 6. The rehearsal will be short, held after Trunk or Treat. Boys & girls in Grades 1 and older are welcome. They're learning a fun and easy song to be sung in worship on Nov 19<sup>th</sup>. Questions? Contact Kate Colby 246-1743 [kcolby@fullchannel.net](mailto:kcolby@fullchannel.net) or Marina Zabinski 726-5118 [marina@bccucc.org](mailto:marina@bccucc.org)

**Want to learn more about our church – and maybe become a member?** Rev. Dale Azevedo invites you to join him for 'Conversations about our Church' from 11:30 am – 1 pm in the library TODAY (after Trunk or Treat). Child care will be provided for young children and older children have the option to sit in if they wish. Whether you are new to our church community or have been coming for some time, you are very welcome to attend. The session will give you an opportunity to learn more about who we are and what we believe, and will give you the information needed to decide if you would like to join our church at this time. Our next New Member Sunday will be November 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Staff away & next eBridge:** Christine will be out of the office from Oct 30<sup>th</sup> – Nov 10<sup>th</sup>. During her absence, the church office will be open for shorter hours: 9:30 – 12:30 Mon- Fri, except on Tues when it will be open from 9:30 – 3. The next eBridge will be published Thurs, Nov 16<sup>th</sup> - deadline is noon *on Wed, Nov 15<sup>th</sup>*, but an earlier submission is appreciated.

**Bereavement Group** meets again on MONDAY, OCTOBER 30<sup>TH</sup> at 11 am in the library. The group is open to anyone who has lost a loved one at any time. For more info contact the facilitator Betsy Brenner at [jsbeeb@aol.com](mailto:jsbeeb@aol.com) or 245-8031.

**Remembering those who have died:** We invite you to submit names of loved ones who died since last All Saints Sunday (10/30/16) to the church office (246-0111 or [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org)) by tomorrow, *Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup>*. Their names will be read aloud with the tolling of a bell in the worship service on SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>. You will also be given an opportunity during Announcements time at the November 5<sup>th</sup> worship service to write any names on a card which the ushers will collect and give to the minister to be read aloud later during the service.

**Women's Faith Group** meets on THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup> from 1:30 – 3 pm in the church library. The book they're discussing is *Waking Up White* by Debby Irving...."a brutally honest, unflinching exploration of race and personal identity told with heart by a truly gifted storyteller". Copies of the book are available from the church office at the discounted price of \$16. The group welcomes women from BCCUCC as well as other churches and faith traditions. For more information contact Jane Tonn at 289-2349 or [jtonn2@cox.net](mailto:jtonn2@cox.net)

**RICUCC Autumnal Meeting** will be held SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>, 8 am – 2 pm (Breakfast and Lunch included) at Central Congregational Church, UCC, Providence. Registration fee \$15. The meeting is open to all interested persons as well as our delegates. *Registration is required.* More information and registration at [www.ricucc.org](http://www.ricucc.org).

**TAPIN Thanksgiving Food Collection:** Once again we are joining with other churches in town to help provide the food that is given away to those in need in the TAPIN Thanksgiving Food bags. Our congregation is asked to provide Instant Mashed Potatoes, Brownie Mix, and Stuffing Mix. TAPIN helps about 450 families in the East Bay area each Thanksgiving so lots is needed! Food donations may be placed in the bins in the narthex (on your way into church) or in the bin at the back of Fellowship Hall. Thank you. Deadline for donations is SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>.

**Daylight Saving Time ends:** Don't forget to turn your clocks back 1 hour when you go to bed on SAT, NOVEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>.

**Children's Communion:** Next SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>, the children will start worship in the library for a separate Children's Communion, followed by church school in their classroom. Please have children go to the library at 10 a.m.

**Community Vegetarian Dinner** to support the church's mission trip will be held SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup> from 5 - 7 pm in Fellowship Hall. The vegetarian soups and entrées are being donated by our friends at Powered by Plants RI. Dinner will be buffet style. Come enjoy a healthy vegetarian meal and support our church's mission trip program. A meal costs \$6 for children under 12, and \$10 for youth and adults. Tickets can be purchased at coffee hour TODAY, or at the door, but advance purchase is preferred.

**The Book Group** meets on TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup> at 7 pm in the church library. They will discuss *My Life with Bob* by Pamela Paul. "Titles about reading and books abound, but this memoir stands in a class by itself. Bibliophiles will treasure it, but the addictive storytelling and high-quality writing will vastly increase its audience". (Library Journal). For more info contact Helen Schall [helenschall@hotmail.com](mailto:helenschall@hotmail.com) 245-4724. All are welcome!

**Please consider joining the Lay Visitation Team:** What do we do? We reach out to members of the church who need a call, a card, or a visit. We meet once a month. So if you are looking for an opportunity to be the hands and feet of Jesus--this is for you! Our next meeting is THURS, NOV 9<sup>TH</sup> at 3 pm in the library. Call Dale at 401-246-0111 with your interest.

**Speaker on Slavery in RI:** On THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>, Barrington Interfaith Partners is sponsoring a presentation, *Forgotten History: Slavery in Rhode Island*, by Joanne Pope Melish, Professor Emerita at the University of Kentucky. The program begins at 7 pm at Sts Matthew & Mark Episcopal Church, 5 Chapel Rd, Barrington. She has written many essays on race and slavery in the early republic, and is the author of *Disowning Slavery: Gradual Emancipation and Race in New England 1780 - 1860*. She is a nationally-recognized authority on gradual emancipation in New England. All are invited to attend. Questions? Contact Helen Schall at 245-4724 or [helenschall@hotmail.com](mailto:helenschall@hotmail.com)

**'From the River's Edge' – the Pastor's blog.** The latest posting "Be Still and Know" by Brendan Curran can be read at the church's website [www.bccucc.org](http://www.bccucc.org). Printed copies are also available from the table in the back of Fellowship Hall.

**Room 8 to become a Meditation Room:** As a part of his ministry plan this year, Brendan will be leading mediation classes at the church and we need your help to transform Room 8 into a meditation space. A list of what's needed is on the church website ([www.bccucc.org](http://www.bccucc.org) and click on the link on the home page) or speak with Brendan.

**Drivers needed:** We sometimes get requests from church members who want to attend either a worship service or other church event, but are no longer able to drive themselves. We want to compile a list of volunteers we can call upon when we receive such a request. If interested please contact the church office at 246-0111 or [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org). Thank you.

**Did you know.....**we began these little historical tid-bits in September 2016 with Harvest Sunday, imitating the custom of sharing our surplus garden produce, as was done 300 years ago. We went on to information about the original building where it all started and progressed to the present location - how it got here is still conjecture. We do know that all salvageable materials were used in the rebuilding. We then went on to firsts, such as hymn singing by the congregation and Sunday School for the young people. Some ministers were mentioned as well. Details of the new weather vane or wind vane will come in the future, as this is our Swan Song. Please try to attend the Gala Jazz Brunch to be held on November 12th and meet some former ministers of this great house of God. May it always remain so. Amen.

**Christmas Eve services:** On SUN, DEC 24<sup>TH</sup> there will be a 10 a.m. worship service for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent. Christmas Eve services will be held in the sanctuary at 5 pm (includes pageant) and 10 pm (Lessons and Carols).

**SERRV catalogs** will be available from NOV 5<sup>TH</sup> thru the first week of December. SERRV is a nonprofit organization with a mission to eradicate poverty wherever it resides by providing opportunity and support to artisans and farmers worldwide. SERRV sponsors small scale, on-the-ground programs to bring practical training and business support to their artisan partners - particularly women - to extend their earning potential into the future. Helen Schall will have the catalogs available at the piano in Fellowship Hall during coffee hour. You can also go online to see the many items available at [www.serrv.org](http://www.serrv.org) and e-mail your order to [helenschall@hotmail.com](mailto:helenschall@hotmail.com) including item number and description. Remember, ordering through the church will save you shipping charges and provide financial support for the 2018 Service Trip.

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