

# CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Sun, Sept 11		HARVEST SUNDAY
		<i>Return to 10 a.m. worship in the Sanctuary</i>
Before and after worship		Church School registration, Foyer
10 a.m.		Worship service for All Ages, Nursery Care only
11:15 am		Mandatory meeting for Church School Volunteers, Room 6
12:15 – 2 pm		OWL Parent Orientation, Library
Mon, Sept 12	Noon	Bereavement Group, Library
	6 pm	Bristol County GFWC, Room 6
	7 pm	Buildings and Grounds meeting, Room 7
Tues, Sept 13	11 am	Staff meeting, Dale's office
	1 – 2:30 pm	Memory Impairment Support Group, Library
	7 pm	Deacons Meeting, Room 6
	7 pm	Book Group, Coffee Depot in Warren
Wed, Sept 14	7:30 – 9 pm	Choir rehearsal, Vestry
Thurs, Sept 15		Deadline for the Oct/Nov Bridge newsletter
	6:30 – 8 pm	Historical Group meeting, Tom Wegner's home
	7 pm	Interfaith Prayer Night, Temple Habonim
Fri, Sept 16	3 pm	Wedding rehearsal, Sanctuary
Sat, Sept 17	3 pm	Wang/Bruschi wedding, Sanctuary
Sun, Sept 18		GATHERING SUNDAY and FIRST SUNDAY WITH REV. DALE AZEVEDO
Before and after worship		Church School registration, Foyer
10 am		Worship Service for All Ages with Dedication of Church School Volunteers, Nursery Care only
After Worship		Welcome Reception at coffee hour – with cake and ice cream!



**Birthdays for the Week of September 11<sup>th</sup>** *Tom Strolla, Jennifer Geary, Connor Helm, Janet Durfee-Hidalgo, Sim Hawes, Cody Hidalgo, Marion Willey, Carey Bowman, Moyne Cabbage, Lucy McMillan, Charlotte McGarry, Bette Reid, Craig Wood, Gabriel De La Torre, Judy Miesner, Paul Movsesian, and Susan Rotblat-Walker.* Please keep them in your prayers.

**DEACONS FOR SEPTEMBER:** Stephanie Edwards (star), Chris Brady, Susan Rotblat-Walker, Joe Judge, Pat Rude, Susan Seader, and Tom Wegner. In the event of a pastoral emergency after hours, if you cannot reach Brendan (401-318 2447) please call on one of the deacons.

**Harvest Sunday – bring in your surplus produce:** On SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> (when the worship service returns to 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary) we are asking the congregation to bring in any of their surplus garden produce – veggies, fruit, flowers etc - to share with others. Old records indicate that during September of 1717, people brought the excess of their harvest to church on Sundays – a farmers market of sorts – and we'd like to recreate this on September 11<sup>th</sup>. There will be baskets to receive your produce - both in Fellowship Hall and in the Vestry - for you to place your surplus when you arrive on Sunday. Both baskets will be moved into Fellowship Hall for coffee hour where others can then benefit from your excess crops!

**What are your favorite hymns?** Our new Senior Minister, Rev. Dale Azevedo is interested in finding out which hymns this congregation likes to sing. We'll be including a survey in the SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> bulletin. If you're not in church that Sunday, email either Dale or the office, or mail/drop off a list of your favorites.

**Dale's email address:** As of 9/13/16 our new Senior Minister's email address will be [dale@bccucc.org](mailto:dale@bccucc.org)

**Gathering Sunday** is SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>. This will also be the first Sunday with our new Senior Minister, the Rev. Dr. Dale H. Azevedo. There will be a Welcome Reception in Fellowship Hall after worship. We hope that you will be able to join us as we welcome our new minister and mark the beginning of our new program and church school year. There will be cake as well as ice cream!

**Deadline** for the Oct/Nov *Bridge* newsletter is THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>. Please submit all information publication ready to [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org). Remember to include all the info (who, what, where, when, why etc)

**Furniture needed for Fireside Parsonage:** Dale will be moving into the Fireside parsonage on September 12<sup>th</sup>, but the Azevedos will be maintaining dual homes until the middle of 2017 as Dale's wife Elizabeth will be remaining in CT with their son Seth until he has completed high school next year, and coming up some weekends. The congregation can help by donating furniture for use at the parsonage – they need a dining room table and chairs, end tables, beds, lamps and so on. If you have furniture that you can donate please contact Larry Ashley at [saltmarsh02@gmail.com](mailto:saltmarsh02@gmail.com) or call the church office (401) 246-0111. We'll make the pickup arrangements. Next year, we'll ensure that your donation goes to another good home once they consolidate households. Your help with this would be deeply appreciated.

**"Fill the Parsonage Pantry!"** As a way of welcoming our new Senior Minister and his family, we've been asking the congregation to donate items for the parsonage pantry. If you have items for donation, they need to be brought to church by SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>. Not sure what to donate? Grocery store gift cards are a great option. Questions? Contact Bernie Hawes via email ([bhawes1@cox.net](mailto:bhawes1@cox.net)).

**40 additional chairs wanted:** All who attended over the summer really appreciated the comfortable new chairs in Fellowship Hall. To date 160 chairs and 2 chair racks have been purchased. Many thanks to all who helped pay for them. Our goal is to purchase an additional 40 chairs, so if you have not yet contributed to the project, you are welcome to do so at this time. Please make checks payable to BCCUCC with 'chairs' in the memo line.

**Peace Flags:** The Mission & Justice Committee has chosen "Visioning Peace" for the theme this year and as a kick-off to that, they will have a table at coffee hour TODAY for making Peace flags in the traditional Tibetan Prayer flag method. They invite everyone to make one so that we can hang them all in the sanctuary for Gathering Sunday. Also, this will be a nice welcome message for our new minister, Rev. Dale!

**Ushers needed:** A couple of additional volunteers are needed to serve (once every 4 weeks) on the Sept – Jan Usher schedule. Training will be provided. Contact Bethia Rosner at (401) 383-5538 if interested.

**Info about children and youth programs:** The "2016-2017 Guide to Christian Education and Youth Ministry Programs at BCCUCC" was emailed to the congregation. Copies of the booklet will be available for pick up from church beginning September 11<sup>th</sup>. Information on everything related to children and youth here at BCCUCC is included, and there are some changes to the church school programs for 2016-2017 which you can read about. Questions? Contact Andrea Bullard at [andrea@bccucc.org](mailto:andrea@bccucc.org) or 246-0111 x 107.

**Church School Registration** will take place both before and after the worship services on SUNDAYS, SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>, 18<sup>TH</sup> AND 25<sup>TH</sup> in the Foyer outside Fellowship Hall. All children from nursery thru Grade 12 must be registered to participate in church school or youth activities. If you registered your child last year, you only need update and initial last year's form. New registration forms can be downloaded from [www.bccucc.org](http://www.bccucc.org)

**Mandatory Meeting for Church School Volunteers** will take place on SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> at 11:15 a.m. in Room 6. This will be a brief gathering to review all aspects of the CE programs.

**Interested in being a Church School Volunteer** – then contact our CE Coordinator, Andrea Bullard at (401) 246-0111 x 107 or [andrea@bccucc.org](mailto:andrea@bccucc.org) We need 10 volunteers every Sunday to make church school happen!

**OWL Parent Orientation** is SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> from 12:15 – 2 pm (lunch provided) in the library. This year's OWL program (Our Whole Lives – Sexuality and Our Faith) is for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders. If you're interested in having your child participate, contact Andrea Bullard at [andrea@bccucc.org](mailto:andrea@bccucc.org) or 246-0111 x 107. Info about the OWL program is available at [www.bccucc.org](http://www.bccucc.org) or in the September *Bridge* newsletter.

**The Bereavement Group** will meet again at the church on MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup> at the later time of Noon in the church library. Anyone who has lost a loved one at anytime is welcome, and participants need not be from this church. For more info contact the facilitator, Betsy Brenner at [jsbeeb@aol.com](mailto:jsbeeb@aol.com) or 245-8031.

**Memory Impairment Support Group** meets TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup> 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 [jmcc@fullchannel.net](mailto:jmcc@fullchannel.net)

**Book Group** next meets TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>, at the Coffee Depot at 7:00 pm to discuss *Etta and Otto and Russell and James* by Emma Hooper. All are welcome. For more info, contact Helen Schall at 245-4724 or [helenschall@hotmail.com](mailto:helenschall@hotmail.com)

**Interfaith Prayer Night:** Three evenings of interfaith prayer will be held by Barrington faith communities this fall. Temple Habonim; BCCUCC; and Sts Matthew & Mark Episcopal Church invite the community to join in praying for justice and peace in our nation, for our electoral process, and for the presidential candidates. The first one is on THURS, SEPT 15<sup>TH</sup> at 7 pm at Temple Habonim, 165 New Meadow Road, Barrington. All are welcome. A time for refreshments will follow. Sponsored by the *Barrington Interfaith Conversations Partners*.

**Hike Mount Monadnock:** Rev. Brendan Curran invites the Senior Youth Group, friends, family, and **all** who are interested to kick off the calendar year by hiking up Mount Monadnock together! Monadnock is a small mountain 2 hours away in Jaffrey, NH. It's a beautiful day hike! We'll car pool from the church around 8am on SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup> and return the same day between 5 and 6pm. If interested in joining in for this adventure please RSVP to Brendan at [Brendan@bccucc.org](mailto:Brendan@bccucc.org) or (401) 246-0111 ext 104 by *Tuesday Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>*.

**Super Saturday** is a collaborative effort of the MA, CT and RI Conferences, UCC, with presenters and attendees from each conference. All are invited to attend for a day of worship, workshops, forums, marketplace and networking on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2016 at Keefe Technical Regional High School, Framingham, MA. Featuring Rev. Laura E. Everett, Executive Director of the Mass Council of Churches, and Angie Thurston and Casper ter Kuile of Harvard Divinity School. Super Saturdays are growing in popularity – register early to reserve your spot! The first 50 people to register *online* will receive a Super Saturday Sport Bag. For complete details and to register, visit: <http://www.ricucc.org/event/super-saturday-3/>

**Our Church calendar** can be found at <http://bccucc.view-events.com> or from the bottom of any page of the church website [www.bccucc.org](http://www.bccucc.org). It includes info for 2016-2017 and is regularly updated. If you have items for inclusion, please submit them to the church office. Please also let the office know of any changes/corrections needed. Thanks.