

# CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

*Regular Church Office Hours have resumed: Monday -Friday 9:30 am-12:30 pm, 1:30-4:30 pm*

Sun, Sep 10		<i>Homecoming Sunday</i>
Before and After Worship		Church School registration, Foyer of Fellowship Hall
10:00 am		Worship Service for all ages with Dedication of Volunteers who work with our children and youth, Nursery Care only
After Worship		Coffee hour with ice cream sundaes and cake, Fellowship Hall
After Worship		Assembling the Clean-Up Buckets for hurricane victims, Fellowship Hall
11:30 am – Noon		Our Whole Lives (OWL) Parent Orientation, Library
11:30 am – Noon		Endowment team meeting, Room 6
Mon, Sep 11	11 am	Bereavement Group, Library
	7 pm	Buildings and Grounds meeting, Room 6
Tues, Sep 12	11 am	Staff meeting, Dale's office
	1 - 2:30 pm	Memory Impairment Support Group, Library
	7 pm	Church Council meeting, Room 6
Wed, Sep 13	Noon	Barrington Clergy Association meeting, Library
	7 pm	CPR Planning meeting, Library
	7:30 - 9 pm	Choir rehearsal, Vestry
Thurs, Sep 14	3 - 5 pm	Brendan's Community Office Hours, The Coffee Depot in Warren
	6 pm	Hameho Garden Club "Art in Bloom Travel Show", Fellowship Hall
Sun, Sep 17		<i>Barrington Heritage Sunday</i>
Before and After Worship		Church School Registration, Foyer
10 am		Worship Service, Church School Classes begin
11:30 am		Mandatory meeting for volunteers working with children and youth, Room 6



**Birthdays for the Week of September 10<sup>th</sup>:** *Mary Lou Slicker, Seth Azevedo, Tom Strolla, Jennifer Geary, Connor Helm, Jake Brougham, Sim Hawes, Marion Willey, Carey Bowman, Moyne Cabbage, Lucy McMillan, Charlotte McGarry, Bette Reid, and Craig Wood.* Please keep them in your prayers.

If you are celebrating a birthday and your name doesn't appear in this list, it's because we don't have your birthdate in our database. Contact the church office at [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org) or 246-0111 with the information so it'll appear next year!

**DEACONS FOR SEPTEMBER:** Stephanie Edwards (star). In the event of a pastoral emergency after hours, if you cannot reach Dale (401 289-3780) or Brendan (401 318-2447) please call the star Deacon.

**Clergy update:** Please remember that Dale's day off is now Monday and Brendan's is Friday.

**Church School Registration** for 2017-2018 is required for all children and youth from Nursery thru 12th grade, and each child needs their own form. Registration will take place TODAY and next SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup> - both before and after the worship service in the foyer of Fellowship Hall. If you completed a registration form last year, you will only need to update and initial it for this year. (Please do so, even if nothing has changed).

**Help assemble Clean-Up Buckets for hurricane victims:** Thanks to your generous donations we raised enough funds to assemble 35 Clean-Up buckets at an estimated cost of \$75 each. After worship TODAY we will come together as a church and assemble the contents of the buckets in Fellowship Hall. The buckets will be taken to a local distribution center and then forwarded on to where they are most needed. The need certainly is great, given the recent and ongoing hurricane activity. This is a great example of how we as a church can make a difference in the larger world community.

**Parent Orientation meeting for this year's OWL program** is being held TODAY from 11:30 am - Noon in the Library, and parent(s) of participants are expected to attend. Our Whole Lives (OWL) is a Comprehensive Sexuality Education Curriculum, and this fall we are offering OWL for our 10th – 12th grade youth. It's not too late to sign up. Parents of interested youth should attend the meeting. Learn more about OWL at <http://www.ucc.org/justice/sexuality-education/>

**Seeking Altar Flower Donors:** The altar flowers each week are paid for by donors and a dedication of their choice is included in the bulletin. If you'd like to pay for one or both arrangements for SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>, Cheryl Muth of the Chancel Team would like to hear from you. Flowers can be given in memory, celebration or thanksgiving of a person or event. If interested, please contact Cheryl at [jccbmuth@aol.com](mailto:jccbmuth@aol.com) or 433-2878.

**Riverwalk Accessibility Project is beginning!** If all goes according to plan, it's expected that work will begin this week on building a walkway behind the Education building to more closely connect the church and Fellowship Hall for those with mobility issues. The playground area has already been fenced off differently to allow the work to begin. We've raised enough money to get the project started but need more donations to pay for an ADA door at the back of Fellowship Hall, new fencing and special gates, and landscaping. If you'd like to make a donation to help with this please make checks payable to BCCUCC and mark the memo line 'Riverwalk'. Donations can be put in the offering plate or sent to the church office. More information is available on the vestry table or at the back of Fellowship Hall. THANK YOU to everyone whose donation is making this project become a reality! We are excited to be making our church buildings more accessible and welcoming to everyone.

**Community Office Hours** are when our ministers make themselves available in a more informal setting for anyone from the church or community to stop by and visit. Brendan is at The Coffee Depot, 501 Main Street, Warren on THURSDAY AFTERNOONS from 3–5 pm. Dale has put his on hold until further notice while he's recovering from his surgery.

**'From the River's Edge' – the Pastor's blog.** Be sure to check out the church's website [www.bccucc.org](http://www.bccucc.org) to read the latest posting by Dale Azevedo 'A New Vision for Worship'. You can also find past posts if you missed any. Printed copies of recent posts are available from the table in the back of Fellowship Hall.

**Bereavement Group** will resume meeting on MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> at 11 am in the library. Future meeting dates/times tbd. 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.

**Memory Impairment Support Group** resumes meeting on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month from 1 - 2:30 pm in the library. Next meeting is TUESDAY, SEPT. 12<sup>TH</sup>. The group is open to patients and caregivers, and participants need not be members of this church. For more info contact Jim McCartney 245-3288 or [jrmcc@fullchannel.net](mailto:jrmcc@fullchannel.net)

**Singers Welcome!** If you enjoy singing, why not join the church choir (no audition necessary). Rehearsals are Wednesdays from 7:30 - 9 pm in the Vestry. All voice parts are welcome. To learn more, speak with our organist/choir director Marina Zabinski after church or at 726-5118 or [marina@bccucc.org](mailto:marina@bccucc.org). We'd love to have you join us!

**Art in Bloom Travel Show:** On THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup> at 6 pm in Fellowship Hall, floral designers from the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, will demonstrate interpretations of masterpieces through flowers. The event is being organized by the Hameho Garden Club (several church members belong) and is open to the public. A \$5 donation is requested. For details more see the flier on the notice board or contact Eileen Dennis at [edteazels@aol.com](mailto:edteazels@aol.com) or 245-6296.

**Mandatory Meeting for Volunteers who work with our children and youth** is next SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup> from 11:30 a.m. in Room 6. This will be a brief gathering to review all aspects of our Christian Education programs. For more info contact our Christian Education Coordinator, Andrea Bullard at (401) 246-0111 ext. 107 or [andrea@bccucc.org](mailto:andrea@bccucc.org)

**Youth Groups (and others) go hiking:** The junior and senior youth groups (JYG and SYG) are kicking off the church calendar year by climbing Mt. Monadnock together! They also invite all interested hikers to come along and join them for the adventure. On SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup>, we will gather in the church parking lot at 8 am to leave by 8:15 to arrive at Mt. Monadnock by 10:30 am. Monadnock is a 4-5 hour hike! We should be back at the church by 6:30 pm. This will be a great way to start the school year off together! Brendan, Hollie Ogden, and Kathy Sullivan are chaperoning this event. *Please RSVP that you are coming to Rev. Brendan Curran by Wednesday, Sept 20<sup>th</sup>* 401-318-2447 or [brendan@bccucc.org](mailto:brendan@bccucc.org)

**Have Breakfast. Help a Neighbor!** On SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>, BCCUCC is going to breakfast at Mathewson Street Church in Providence. You may not know it, but Mathewson Street feeds between 250 and 300 people every Sunday. They do this for those who are homeless/food insecure at no charge! All they ask from us is that we show up, eat a wonderful breakfast of eggs, sausage, fruit, pancakes, waffles, and soup with their attendees. Then, when we are through, to pay for our meal with a donation as if we ate at a restaurant. The excess from our "donations" helps pay for the meals of the other attendees. Not only that, there is worship and wonderful live music at the breakfast. And, don't worry, the breakfast is from 7:30 - 9 am, so we'll leave in time to return to BCCUCC for our regular worship service. Dale is going, won't you sign up in Fellowship Hall to come too!! (details with sign up sheet in Fellowship Hall.)

**Confirmation Orientation:** On SUNDAY MORNING SEPTEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>, the 2017-2018 confirmation class and their families are asked to come to Confirmation Class Orientation in the Library from 9-9:45 am. Welcome! The confirmation class is open to all 9th graders (or older). If you haven't yet signed up you are very welcome to do so by contacting Brendan at 401-318-2447 or [brendan@bccucc.org](mailto:brendan@bccucc.org)

**Youth Invited to Pow Wow:** The 7th & 8th graders are learning about world religions in church school this year including Native American spiritual traditions. On SUNDAY, SEPT 24<sup>TH</sup> the Junior Youth Group is invited to join the 7th & 8th graders in going to the Narragansett nation's annual pow wow in downtown Providence. We will be leaving from the church parking lot at 11:15. Kids are asked to bring a bagged lunch or money to buy lunch. We will be back at the church by 1:30 pm. Contact Rev. Brendan Curran to RSVP, or if you have any questions. (401-318-2447) [brendan@bccucc.org](mailto:brendan@bccucc.org)

**Concert by Elizabeth von Trapp in our church:** On SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup> at 4 pm, Elisabeth von Trapp will give a concert in our sanctuary. Elisabeth is the granddaughter of Maria and Baron von Trapp of 'Sound of Music' fame (<http://www.elisabethvontrapp.com>). In lieu of a standard ticket purchase, a collection will be taken at the end of the performance. The concert is open to the public so spread the word and plan to be there!

**Consultant Visit - Save the Dates!** As you may know our church has partnered with the Center for Progressive Renewal (CPR) this year. We will be working with two consultants over the next 12-18 months. Our first consultant is Bill McKinney and he will be visiting us from SEPTEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup> - OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>. Please try to keep these dates free on your calendar. Bill will be meeting with members of the church on that Friday and Saturday and will host a church-wide discussion following worship on SUNDAY, OCT 1<sup>ST</sup>. Please keep an eye out in the coming weeks for ways to get involved. Bill wants to talk with you because your opinions and faith experiences matter to the life and ministry of our church!

**2018 Mission Trip and SYG:** The deadline to sign up for the 2018 Service Project with the Black Mesa Water Coalition of the Navajo Nation in Pinon, Arizona is *Sunday October 1<sup>st</sup>*. Approx. dates for the trip are June 24<sup>th</sup> - July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. The Senior Youth Group (SYG) will meet SUNDAY OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup> from 6-8 pm in the library. This SYG meeting will also serve as an orientation for the 2018 mission trip/service project. All who wish to participate are asked to attend. There will be refreshments! Youth are especially invited to come on the mission trip and are given priority but all who are interested in joining our youth in service are welcome. If you want to join this trip please contact Rev. Brendan Curran to RSVP or to ask any questions you may have (401-318-2447) [brendan@bccucc.org](mailto:brendan@bccucc.org)

**Adult Education:** Rev. Dale Azevedo invites everyone to join him for a fall adult education program entitled "Embracing an Adult Faith" running for 5 weeks in the library on THURSDAY EVENINGS from OCTOBER 5<sup>TH</sup> - NOVEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup>. Each class will run an hour and half and be largely discussion based responding to short videos led by Marcus Borg. The start time will depend on participants' availability. "Embracing an Adult Faith is an exciting, five-session, adult-formation resource for those seeking a richer understanding of the issues in contemporary Christian practice and theology. Who was Jesus? Who is God? What is salvation? How do we practice our faith?" *Please RSVP to Dale* [dale@bccucc.org](mailto:dale@bccucc.org) *or the church office (246-0111) by September 25<sup>th</sup>* if you are interested so we can make sure we have enough resources.