

CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sun., Sept 28	10 am 11:15 am – 1 pm 3 pm 5 – 7:30 pm	Worship Service, Church School OWL Parent Orientation, Library Brendan's Ordination, Maple Street Church, Danvers MA Community Plant Based Potluck, Fellowship Hall
Mon., Sept 29	12:30-1:30 pm	Bereavement Group, Library
Tues, Sep 30	11 am 7 pm	Staff meeting, Jeff's Office Membership Team meeting, Library
Wed., Oct 1	7:30 pm 7:30 pm 7:30 pm	Deacons Meeting, Room 6 Choir Rehearsal, Vestry Marijuana Anonymous meeting, Room 8
Thurs., Oct 2	1:30 – 3 pm 7 pm	Women's Faith Group, Library Pastor Parish Relations Team (PPRT), Jeff's Office
Sat., Oct 4	2:30 pm	Jr Youth Gp meet in Library before leaving for Soup Kitchen in Pawtucket
Sun., Oct 5	10 am 10:30 am – 2:30 pm	<i>Neighbors in Need offering</i> Worship Service with Communion, Church School OWL Session, Library



Birthdays for the Week of September 28th

*Theo Caskey, Elyse Comer, Zeke DeWitt,
Courtney Selvage, Duncan Maio,*

*John White Jr, Margo Williams, Heather Williamson,
Kristin Anderson, Jay Buckley, Meg Ramsden,
Beth Zarlengo, Rob Black, and Dave Rogers.*

Please keep them in your prayers.

DEACONS FOR SEPTEMBER

Susan Rotblat-Walker (Star Deacon), Francis Seader, Pat Rude,
Stephanie Edwards, & Susan Seader.

DEACONS FOR OCTOBER

Cheryl Muth (Star Deacon), Liz White, Greg Voigt, & Chris Brady.

*If in a pastoral emergency after hours you cannot reach Jeff Larsen
(247-1787) or Brendan (978 314-9149) please contact a deacon.*

Brendan's Ordination: At 3 pm TODAY our Associate Minister, Brendan Curran will be ordained at his home church, Maple Street Church, 90 Maple St, Danvers MA 01923. All are invited to attend and a reception will follow. Please keep him in your prayers on this very special day in his faith journey.

Parent Orientation for OWL is TODAY from 11:15 am – 1 pm in the church library. All parents who have signed up a child should attend, plus any parents who are interested in having their youth participate but need more information. OWL is open to 7th and 8th graders only this year. For more information about the OWL program contact Andrea or look on the church website under the 'Education' and 'Youth' links and click on 'OWL'.

Plant Based Potluck is TODAY: Church member Judy Harff is organizing a community potluck where all the foods are plant-based and no animal products are used. It will take place TODAY from 5 – 7:30 pm in Fellowship Hall and is open to the entire community. A \$5 donation is requested. RSVP to judy@startfresh.com For more info see the fliers on the bulletin boards or contact Judy (401) 252-9076.

Neighbors in Need (NIN) offering: Included in today's bulletin is an insert about the UCC Offering 'Neighbors in Need'. Together with many other UCC congregations we will be collecting the offering NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5TH when special offering envelopes will be included in the bulletin. More info about NIN is included in the October *Bridge* or visit www.ucc.org/nin Please make checks payable to BCCUCC and mark the memo line 'NIN'. Thank you.

Help Needed with Coffee Hour: Coffee hour is now being done a little differently with 'self-serve' stations for coffee, decaf and hot water for tea. Ministry Teams still oversee coffee hour, but assistance is needed from congregation members. Volunteers are being asked to sign up on a specific Sunday to help by providing food, serving or clearing up.

Sign up at the Welcome Table at the back of Fellowship Hall for a Sunday that will work for you. Or contact Jane Tonn (jtonn2@cox.net or 289-2349) chair of Membership.

Sign up on-line: A SignUpGenius on-line sign up form has been created for coffee hour where you can sign up to help with set up, serving, provide food, or clean up. The link to it can be found in the October *Bridge* (just click on the link when you read it on-line).

Welcome Newcomers: If you are new to our church we welcome you and invite you to participate in any activities or events that are of interest to you. Please pick up a copy of our October *Bridge* newsletter that's just been published as it's full of information about everything that's happening – copies are available in the Narthex and vestry hallways, outside the church office, and on the table at the back of Fellowship Hall. Much of our communication is now done via e-mail so if you'd like to receive our monthly *Bridge* newsletter, weekly Ennouncements, or Jeff's Weekly, please give us your e-mail address by contacting the church office at office@bccucc.org, or include the information on the pew pad that's located at the end of each pew. Thank you. We hope you will worship with us again.

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 they would like.

Usher Needed: A vacancy has opened up in the current schedule of ushers who will serve through January 2015. Each usher serves on a team of four and is scheduled once every 4 weeks. Should a conflict arise, you can always switch with an usher from another team, or ask one of the substitutes to fill in for you. If you are interested in being an usher, please contact the Usher Ministry chair, Bethia Rosner at 383-5538. Thank you.

Nametags: Please wear your nametag to both the worship service and coffee hour – it helps us get to know each other and is also welcoming to newcomers. Need a nametag? Sign up under the nametag rack, or contact the office. Nametags that were requested last week can be found on the rack in the vestry hallway.

Sing and Celebrate Choir will begin rehearsals next SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5TH and meet regularly through October after worship in Room 9. Children (boys and girls) in grades 1 – 5 are invited to participate. For more info contact Kate Colby kcolby@fullchannel.net or speak with Marina.

The Women's Faith Group will start meeting again this THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2ND from 1:30 – 3 pm in the library. They will be reading and talking about the UCC's 'One Read' book *Hot Dogs and Hamburgers: Unlocking Life's Potential by Inspiring Literacy at Any Age* by Rob Shindler. Copies of the book have been ordered and should come in on Wednesday or Thursday of this week. They will then be available for purchase from the church office. The group is open to all women in the church plus women from other churches and faith traditions. For more information contact Carol Louttit 245-2299 or chl2299@aol.com or Nancy Martin 273-1078 or nancy.martin3@verizon.net

The Book Group will meet on TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7TH at 7 pm at The Coffee Depot in Warren to discuss *The Martian* by Andy Weir. All are welcome. Contact Helen Schall at helenschall@hotmail.com or 245-4724 for info about the group.

The Dine Out Group will eat at The Wharf Tavern on FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10TH at 6:30 pm. All are invited – both singles and couples. *RSVP's are required by Wed, Oct 8th* to Sue Black 245-2772 or sueandjimblack@gmail.com

The Knitting for Others Group will meet on TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14TH from 7 – 9 pm in the church library. The participants make items to be given away including prayer shawls and chemo caps. New ideas as well as new knitters (and crocheters) are always welcome. For more info contact Mary Lou Slicker 245-0085 or rislick@fullchannel.net

Senior Youth Group: Save the afternoon of SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26TH as the group will be going hiking to the Norman Bird Sanctuary with Brendan from 1 – 4:30 pm. All youth in grades 9-12 are welcome. The trip costs \$6 per person but if there are 10 or more people it will only cost \$3 per person. Friends in grades 9-12 are also welcome. *RSVP by Thursday, Oct 23rd* to Brendan at Brendan@bccucc.org or 246-0111 x 104.

Change in time for Confirmation Class: The meeting time for the Confirmation class has been moved to Sunday evenings once a month from 6 - 8 pm. 9th graders who didn't sign up because they couldn't make Sunday morning classes are invited to contact Brendan Curran a.s.a.p. at brendan@bccucc.org or 246-0111 x104 if they would like to participate in the program. The first class will take place on SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19TH from 6-8 pm in the library.

Have you registered your child/youth? Our Safe Church Policy requires that all children and youth are registered in order to participate in church programs including Church School, Youth Groups, OWL, & Confirmation. Parents who registered their children last year will only have to review, update and initial last year's form – see Andrea to do this. Registration forms for new children/youth are available from outside Andrea's office, or you can download one from the church website www.bccucc.org Please note that each child needs a separate form.

Altar Flowers Donors needed: The two floral arrangements that grace our altar each week are provided by *The Greenery* florist in Warren but are paid for by members of the congregation. The donors have the option of paying for one or both arrangements (\$30 each) and may take them home, or have the Chancel team give them to someone. A dedication in the Sunday bulletin indicates who gave the flowers and in whose memory or for what celebration. The Chancel team is looking for people willing to be called upon to donate flowers when there is an opening. There is a sign up sheet on the table at the back of Fellowship Hall, or contact Audrey Rogers at adrogers8@cox.net or 246-1727.

The Bereavement Group will meet tomorrow, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH from 12:30 – 1:30 pm 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.

Memory Impairment Support Group will next meet on TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11TH AND 25TH 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 jrmcc@fullchannel.net

'These Days' Daily Devotions for Living by Faith: These booklets are made available free to the congregation by your Deacons and anyone is welcome to take a copy. They can be found on the sideboard in the vestry hallway, the rack outside the church office, or at the back of Fellowship Hall. Copies for October - December, 2014 are now available.

WiFi has been installed in the CE building and can be accessed without a password. It is now available throughout the building, but is strongest in the office area, Room 6, Fellowship Hall and the Library. Please let the office know if you have any problems with it.

Keep up to date with that's happening by using our on-line Church Calendar – it is kept up to date and lists everything that's happening here at the church. You can access it directly at <http://bccucc.view-events.com>, or go to the church website www.bccucc.org and click on the link at the bottom of any page. Please remember to 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.

Recycling Instructions: Our recycling has to be taken to the Barrington Recycling Center which means that the different recyclable materials have to be kept separate. Please use the blue bin for plastic and glass, and the green bin for paper and cardboard. The following items are NOT recyclable so go in the trash: napkins, paper cups & plates, baggies, saran wrap.