

SUMMER CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Sun., Sept 6	9 am	Worship Service for All Ages with Communion, Nursery Care only
Mon., Sep 7		Labor Day - Office Closed
Tues., Sep 8	7 pm	Book Group, Coffee Depot in Warren
Wed., Sep 9	7:30 - 9 pm	Choir Rehearsal, Vestry
Fri., Sep 11	6 pm	Dine Out Group eat at Plaza Azteca
Sun., Sep 13		<i>Gathering Sunday</i>
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		All Church Picnic, Fellowship Hall and Terrace
10 am – 1 pm		RI Bloodmobile in church parking lot



Birthdays for the Week of September 6th

Erik Ela, Megan Hoyt, Lory Snady-McCoy,
Bob Zeleznik, Rebecca Bendheim, Richard Caesar,
Ben Flynn, Will Holby, Georgia Eustis, Aaron Gilmore,
Jessica Leonard, Mary Lou Slicker, Tom Strolla,
Jennifer Geary, and Connor Helm.

Please keep them in your prayers.

DEACONS FOR SEPTEMBER

Susan Rotblat-Walker (star deacon),
Chris Brady, Pat Rude, Susan Seader,
Jon Stabach, and Tom Wegner.

In the event of a pastoral emergency after hours, if you cannot reach Sue (781 724 9831) or Brendan (401 318 2447) please call on one of the deacons.

Today's altar flowers are given by Heather Sugg in memory of her parents, Bill and Alice MacQuattie; and by Anne Danzberger in celebration of families and in memory of loved ones.

There is a Nursery Nook available 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. (If you can't hear anything, use the knob on the front of the speaker to turn up the volume.)

Pledge Envelopes for July – December 2015 are available for pick up from the table in the Narthex (in alphabetical order). If you use the elevette and don't pass the narthex table, please ask someone to pick up your envelopes for you. Contact our Financial Secretary, Pat Stoddard at 246-0111 ext 102 or pat@bccucc.org if you didn't request a set but would like one. Also let her know if you have been assigned envelopes but don't need them.

Book Group will meet at 7 pm at the Coffee Depot, 501 Main Street, Warren on TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH. They will discuss *After I'm Gone* by Laura Lippman. 'In this stand-alone (adroitly linked to the Tess Monaghan series), Lippman focuses on the inner lives of the women left behind. Despite the murder at its center, this is less a suspenseful whodunit than a masterly novel of character, with secrets skillfully and gradually revealed.' All are welcome to participate in the book group and new members are welcome. For more info on the group, contact Helen Schall at helenschall@hotmail.com or 245-4724.

Ole! Ole! Come to **Dine Out** on FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH at 6 pm when they will eat at Plaza Aztec, 353 Highland Avenue (Rt 6), Seekonk. The group is open to all ages, singles and couples, and looks forward to welcoming some new faces at the table this year, so why not join them! Reservations are required by *Wednesday, September 9th* – RSVP to Sue Black at sueandjimblack@gmail.com or (401) 245-2772.

Electronics/Clothing Recycling Drive for Goodwill: On SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH, from 9 am – 11 am, Barrington Presbyterian Church, located at 400 County Road, Barrington, will host an electronics and clothing recycling drive with Goodwill Industries of Rhode Island. With the exception of televisions, CRT monitors, and printers, all other electronics will be accepted. Goodwill is in need of good professional attire for its job seekers to use for interviews, but also will accept items that are ripped, stained, or worn out, and may include curtains, towels, bed linens, tablecloths, backpacks and even single shoes. Funds raised from donated items will be reinvested in the training programs offered by the Agency, furthering its mission of training Rhode Island youth and adults with disabilities and other barriers to employment.

Gathering Sunday is next SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH. Mark your calendars – there's a lot happening!

- The worship service returns to the regular starting time of 10 a.m.
- The worship service is for all ages – church school begins the following Sunday, September 20th
- The choir resumes singing in worship after their summer break.
- Church School registration will take place both before and after the service. All children and youth from the nursery thru Grade 12 are required to be registered to take part in church school or youth activities.
- Following the service, there will be an 'all church picnic', hosted by the CEYM team. All are invited

Meeting cancelled: The mandatory meeting for Church School Volunteers after worship next Sunday, September 13th has been cancelled. The information will be sent via e-mail instead.

Bloodmobile at BCCUCC: Next SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH, the RI Bloodmobile will be in the church parking lot from 10 am – 1 pm. All eligible are encouraged to donate blood and give the gift of life. No appointment is necessary.

Please wear a nametag? The Rev. Sue Remick has lots of new names to learn and nametags will really help the process. If you need a nametag, please contact the church office or sign up for one on the sheet under the nametag rack in the vestry hallway. Be sure to specify pin, clip or string style of holder. Please remember to wear your nametag to both church and coffee hour as it also helps us get to know one another and is welcoming to newcomers. Stick-on nametags are available from baskets on the narthex table and the back of Fellowship Hall if you don't have a permanent one.

Dedication of Church School Volunteers will take place during the 10 a.m. worship service Gathering Sunday, which is NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH. We hope all church school volunteers will attend worship that day so they can be part of the dedication.

Interested in volunteering in Church School? It takes 10 volunteers every week to make church school happen. If you would like to help one Sunday (or more) please contact Andrea Bullard at andrea@bccucc.org or 246-0111 x 107.

The Memory Impairment Support Group next meets on TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH 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

An Important Church Meeting about the Search Process and Choosing a Search Committee will take place immediately after worship on SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH in the sanctuary. All are encouraged to attend and child care will be provided. Rev. Sue Remick will talk briefly about the interim period, the search process, selecting a search committee and answer questions. More information is included in the September Bridge.

Nominations requested for Search Committee Members: The Church Council is charged with selecting the search committee but is asking the congregation to recommend church members whom they think would be good candidates. Recommendations must be **in writing** and include a brief reason why you recommend them. You may recommend yourself. All recommendations need to go to our Moderator, Steve Peck at steven.peck@cox.net or to Rev. Sue Remick sue@bccucc.org, or sent to the church office Attn. Steve Peck. *The deadline is SEPTEMBER 27TH.*

Before nominating anyone, be sure to read the articles in the September *Bridge* about the Search Timeline and the 5 Commitments for Search Committees.

Calling all Kayakers! Those who have a kayak (or can borrow one!) are welcome to join together for the church's annual kayak on Hundred Acre Cove on SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH from 2:30—4:30 pm. All ages are welcome, but *youth under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian*. We will leave together from the launch ramp at Walker Farm, off the Wampanoag Trail just north of the church. If you'd like to borrow a kayak or if you have a kayak to loan, please contact Brendan and he will help coordinate! (401) 318-2447 or brendan@bccucc.org

Junior Youth Group Kick Off will be SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH from 6 – 8 pm in Fellowship Hall. All youth in grades 6-8 are invited and can bring a friend. We'll enjoy a pizza dinner (bring \$5), games, and getting to know each other. We'll also share activity ideas for the year. Save the date!!! Questions? Contact the leaders – Laurie Dubel, Ginger Stabach, Kathy Sullivan and Kim Zeleknik - or email them at bccjyg@gmail.com

The Bereavement Group will meet on MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST at 10 am in the library. The group is for anyone who has lost a loved one at any time, and all are welcome. For more information, contact Betsy Brenner at jsbeeb@aol.com or 245-8031.

Altar Flower Donors needed: There is an opening on SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH for someone to pay for one of the altar flower arrangements (\$30). If you are interested, please contact Audrey Rogers (246-1727 adrogers8@cox.net) who is scheduling the donors. Altar flowers can be given in memory of someone, in celebration of an event, or just in honor of someone or thing.

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.

Headphones Available. There are two sets of full headphones in the sanctuary for those who need extra help hearing the service. They plug into the usual box and cover both ears. Check with the ushers for availability.

It's never too late to make a pledge! Even though the church is into its new six month fiscal period (July - Dec 2015) it's not too late to make a pledge. If you are willing to make such a commitment to financially support our church, please e-mail our financial secretary, Pat Stoddard at pat@bccucc.org. Pledges are welcome in any amount – large or small – whatever you're comfortable with. Our church is totally self-supporting and relies on the income from your pledges to pay its bills and carry out its mission. THANK YOU to everyone who did make a pledge.

Not sure what pledging is? Contact Pat at (401) 246-0111 or pat@bccucc.org and she'll be happy to explain it to you.

'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 July - September, 2015 are now available.

Attention Parents: Please make sure that the tarp is put back over the sandpit under the wooden house/slide on the playground before your children leave. If the cover is left off it gets used by the local wildlife as a bathroom!!

HPV Vaccine Information: The RI Dept of Health has mandated that all children in 7th grade receive the HPV vaccine and this has caused concern for some parents. In response, Peggy Matteson, PhD, RN-BC and Health Ministry Consultant to RICUCC, has made available a short information sheet that provides basic information, with references to reliable sources of additional information. Copies are available from outside the church office or can be read at www.bccucc.org>Get Involved>Information for Church Members.