



August 2, 2018

Newsletter of Barrington
Congregational Church
United Church of Christ

Be sure you get to see ALL of the eBridge. Some platforms will only allow you to see the first portion of the eBridge, then there's a link to view the entire message.

Calendar

Summer Office Hours:

Mon, Tues, Thurs 9:30 am - 1 pm, Wed 11 am - 1 pm, Fri Closed.

In case of a pastoral emergency Dale should be contacted at (401) 289-3780

Thurs, Aug 2

3 - 5 pm Community Office Hours with Dale, The Coffee Depot
6 - 7:30 pm [NAMI Family Support Group](#), Room 6

Fri, Aug 3

Office Closed

10 am Memorial Service for Heather Sugg, followed by reception in Fellowship Hall

Sun, Aug 5

9:30 am Worship Service for All Ages with Communion, Nursery Care only

Tues, Aug 7

11 am Staff meeting

Noon *Deadline for Announcements*

6 - 8 pm Picnic at the Parsonage, Fireside Parsonage

Wed, Aug 8

8:30 am Planning meeting for 'Barrington Day of Caring', Library

Thurs, Aug 9

3 - 5 pm Community Office Hours with Dale, The Coffee Depot in Warren
6 pm Softball game vs Team Unaffiliated, Bicknell Field

Fri, Aug 10

Office Closed

Sun, Aug 12

9:30 am Worship Service for All Ages, Nursery Care only

Tues, Aug 14

11 am Staff meeting

Noon - *Deadline for eBridge*

1 - 2:30 pm [Memory Impairment Support Group](#), Library

Wed, Aug 15

2 pm Service at Atria Bay Spring Senior Living

Thurs, Aug 16

3 - 5 pm Community Office Hours with Dale, The Coffee Depot

Fri, Aug 17

Office Closed

Sun, Aug 19

9:30 am Worship Service for All Ages, Nursery Care only

2:30 - 4 pm Kayaking on Hundred Acre Cove

For the complete church calendar visit <http://bccucc.view-events.com>

Send calendar information to office@bccucc.org

The deadline for information to be included in the next eBridge is **Tuesday, August 14th** at Noon. Send info to office@bccucc.org

Forward the eBridge to a friend and invite them to [join our email list](#)

Memorial Service

Memorial Service for Heather Sugg

Long time church member, Heather Sugg passed away on Sunday, July 29th. A memorial service will be held at Barrington Congregational Church, UCC, on **Friday, August 3rd** at 10 am, followed by a reception in Fellowship Hall.

Calling hours will be Thursday from 4 - 6 pm at Smith Mason Funeral Home, 398 Willett Ave, Riverside RI 02915.

In lieu of flowers, the family have asked for donations in memory of Heather to the music ministry of Barrington Congregational Church.

[Obituary](#)



August Sermon Series

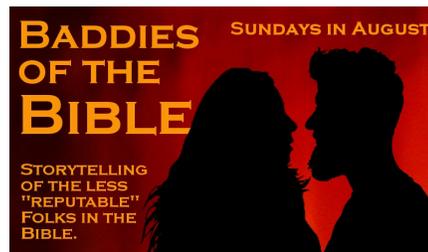
Throughout August, Rev. Dale Azevedo will be telling stories of some of the less reputable folks we find in the Bible.

August 5th: Was there more to Cain's story than the fact he committed the first murder?

August 12th: Was Jezebel as bad as she is made out to be?

August 19th: What was Judas' real motivation?

August 26th: Did Sapphira really deserve the death penalty for not giving her full pledge to the church?



We'll have some fun and a few laughs while we wrestle with some of these difficult people and stories in scripture. Worship is at **9:30 am** through September 2nd.

Catch up on a sermon you missed!

If you missed a sermon or want to hear one again, you can listen to the sermons on

From the church office

Church website update

At the time of writing, our church website www.bccucc.org is back up and you should have no problems accessing it. Many thanks to Steve Peck for all of his help getting it working again. If you ever encounter a problem with our website, please let us know.

2018 - 2019 Church Calendar

The 2018 – 2019 Church Calendar has been updated with all the information received so far. It can be viewed at <http://bccucc.view-events.com> (or from the bottom of any page on our website www.bccucc.org). If your team/group has dates for the church calendar, please send them to office@bccucc.org. Also, please notify the office of any errors/changes/corrections needed. Thanks.



Clergy & Staff vacations

Pat is away through August 4. Andrea is away through August 5. Brendan is away through September 2. Christine will be away August 6 - 20.

Summer communications deadline

The Sunday Announcements and the eBridge are each produced every other week during the summer and the deadline is **Tuesdays at noon**. Send items for inclusion to office@bccucc.org. Thanks.



Follow the church on Social Media

On Instagram at [BarringtonUCC](#) On Facebook at www.facebook.co/bccucc.

'From the River's Edge' - The Pastors' Blog



The next blog will be written by Dale and will be published August 15th. If you missed reading any earlier posts you can find them all on the church website [at this link](#). There are also links to the most recent ones from the homepage of our church website www.bccucc.org

Summer at BCCUCC

Community Office Hours

Community Office Hours take place throughout the summer on **Thursday afternoons** from **3–5 pm** at [The Coffee Depot](#), 501 Main Street, Warren. Anyone from the church or community is welcome to stop by and chat with one of our ministers in this more informal setting. Dale is hosting them in August. All are welcome.



'Picnic at the Parsonage'

Elizabeth and Dale Azevedo are opening up the parsonage for a casual cook out for 10 in their yard on **Tuesday, August 7th** from 6 - 8 pm. At the time of writing there's room for 1 more. Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0d4eaba823a6f85-feasting>. The September 'Feasting at Fireside' is already full. Stay tuned for any future dates.



Sign up if you want to go Kayaking with Dale!

Dale is planning an afternoon of kayaking on the Barrington River and Hundred Acre Cove for anyone interested on **Sunday, August 19th** from 2:30 - 4 pm. It's open to all ages and abilities. We will be launching from the boat ramp at Walker Farm where kayaks can be rented.



<https://www.facebook.com/walkerfarmkayakrentals/>

PLEASE SIGN UP by *Wednesday, August 15th* by contacting Dale at 246-0111 x 103 or dale@bccucc.org. Let him know if you're bringing your own kayak OR if you need to rent one. Dale has contacted the kayak rental company and they'll give us a break on the fees as a group - cost will be \$20 for a single and \$50 for a double kayak – payable to 'Walker Farm Kayaks'. He'll reserve the kayaks when the final number is known.

Co-ed Softball

BCCUCC has a co-ed softball team participating in the Barrington Houses of Worship Summer Softball League. Their upcoming games are listed on the calendar above and on the [2018 Softball Schedule](#). All games begin at 6 pm and are played at Bicknell Field (at the end of Walnut Road off Lincoln Avenue). Spectators are encouraged to come cheer them on! Anyone interested in playing should contact Tom Strolla at ostrolla@cox.net or (401) 246-0936. (There are some age restrictions).



Book Group

Next meets at the Coffee Depot, 501 Main Street, Warren, on **Tuesday, August 28th** at 11:30 am, to discuss *News of the World* by Paulette Jiles. 'Capt. Jefferson Kyle Kidd, an army veteran, makes his living in 1870 as a "reader" who travels around north Texas reading from various newspapers to a dime-a-head audience. A septuagenarian, he undertakes a 400-mile odyssey from Wichita Falls, TX, to San Antonio with a reluctant Johanna Leonberger, who has no memory of her life before she was kidnapped by the Kiowa Indians. Along the way, the ten-year-old warms up to the widowed captain as they face a number of perilous encounters.' For more information about the group contact Helen Schall helenschall@hotmail.com 245-4724. All are welcome! [What is the Book Group?](#)

Summer Musicians

During the summer while the choir is on hiatus, there is an opportunity each week for members of the congregation to share their musical talents during worship. If you play an instrument or sing and are interested in providing music during the offertory, please contact our organist/choir director Marina Zabinksi at 726-5118 or marina@bccucc.org. She is available to accompany you as needed. Many thanks to those who have already played, and we're looking forward to a number more during August.



Opportunities of all sorts!

Loaves and Fishes Truck Run - help needed

We will be taking out the Loaves and Fishes RI truck to Emmanuel House and Crossroads in Providence on **Wednesday, August 22nd**. Prep starts in the kitchen around 4:30 pm to prepare food and load the truck. All ages are welcome to help with food prep, but we ask that those going out on the truck be at least age 16. Donations of specific food and clothing items are requested. To volunteer to donate items, help with prep or go out on the truck [click on this link](#). Please remember to indicate the quantity of a food item you are able to donate. If you are interested in helping with shopping or being a driver please contact Liz, Jay or Phyllis at the links below.

For more information or questions, please contact Liz White (401-245-0285 or lizzyw2@aol.com) or Jay or Phyllis Buckley (401-245-1098 or pbuckley6@cox.net).



Altar flower donors needed in September

The flowers on the altar each Sunday are provided by The Greenery florist in Warren but are paid for by donors (payment is sent to the church). The flowers can be given in memory, celebration or thanksgiving of a person or event and a dedication is included in the bulletin. In September we will return to having two vases of flowers each week and donors may choose to give one or both vases (each is \$30). Donors are needed to pay for the flowers on several of the Sundays so if you're interested, please contact Beth Buckley of our Chancel Team at elizabethbuckley21@msn.com or (401) 247-0324. Thank you.



Elevette Operators needed

We are looking for a couple of additional volunteers willing to run the elevette on Sunday mornings. This important ministry enables those unable to manage the stairs to join us for worship in the sanctuary. Elevette operators are only scheduled 4 or 5 times a year and training will be provided - it's not difficult! If interested, please contact George Bolton at rmb18@yahoo.com. Thank you.



Would you share your story?

Susan Catherine Collyer is a Barrington resident and artist looking to share stories of faith. She recently produced an original play entitled, "Reflections in Rhode Island," celebrating 100 years of stories from seniors living in the East Bay. She is looking to do something similar revolving around peoples' experiences of faith. Are there points in your life when you felt an experience of Someone or Something Greater? These can be stories of miracles, magic or the mundane. Susan would like to interview people of different faiths and no faith to create an original theatrical piece to help break down walls of division and separation. If you are interested or would like more information please contact either Dale at dale@bccucc.org or 246-0111 x 103, or Susan at rhodeisland.reflections@aol.com

Looking ahead to the fall

2018-2019 Confirmation Class

Youth entering 9th grade are invited to be a part of the 2018-2019 Confirmation Class. Brendan has emailed out a letter with

information to all of the families of 9th graders, but if you didn't receive it, or are new to the church and have a 9th grader, please contact the church office (office@bccucc.org or 246-0111) and we'll be happy to send it to you.



Youth Group Cliff Walk - save the date!

All youth 6th - 12th grade are invited to walk the cliff walk in Newport, RI on **Sunday, September 23rd**. Everyone is asked to bring a bagged lunch for a picnic. They will be leaving after church from the church parking lot. Youth coming without a parent will need a permission slip. Families are welcome!



Church Groups

Information about all of the church groups that meet regularly - including who to contact - is available [at this link](#). Meeting dates are in the calendar above. **All groups invite and welcome your participation.**

Included below is additional information that some groups need for their next meeting.

Bereavement Group

The group is taking a break over the summer and will resume meeting on **Monday, September 17th** at 11 am in the library. However, if anyone has any questions or concerns during the break they may contact the facilitator Betsy Brenner at jsbeeb@aol.com or 245-8031. [What is the Bereavement Group?](#)

Other groups that meet regularly at our church include

[NAMI RI Family Support Group](#) (National Alliance on Mental Illness). Next meets on **Thursday, August 3rd** from 6 - 7:30 pm in Room 6.

[Memory Impairment Support Group](#) Next meets on **Tuesday, August 14th** from 1 - 2:30 pm in the Library.

For more information on any of these groups, including the contact person, [click here](#). Check the calendar at the top of this email, or our [online calendar](#), for meeting dates.

From the RI Conference UCC

RI Conference Office is moving

In an effort to reduce costs, the RICUCC office is moving to [Edgewood Congregational Church](#), 1788 Broad St, Cranston RI 02905. The church is centrally located within the Conference boundaries, making it a good location for meetings. They will be relocating the last week of July (with no phone or internet access until August 6th) and expect to be fully operational by mid-August.

A new Transitional Conference Minister

The Rev. Marilyn Baugh Kendrix began as the new Transitional Conference Minister for the RI Conference UCC on July 1st. She will not only carry out the duties of a Conference Minister but will also help churches transition

into the new *Together As One* Conference that was voted into being at the Tri-Conference Annual Meeting last month. As a member of the *Together As One* Planning Team, Marilyn arrives with an understanding of the mission and purpose of the new conference and is perfectly positioned to help the Rhode Island Conference live into this new conference. [Read more.](#)



Service of Welcomes

There will be a Service of Welcomes on **Sunday, September 30th** at 4:30 pm at [Edgewood Congregational Church](#), to welcome Rev. Marilyn Baugh Kendrix and to also welcome the churches to the new Conference offices. (See articles above).

Forest Day Camp (for ages 6 - 12) is in full swing but still has a few spaces for the rest of the Summer

August 6 - 10 Nature Craft - learn and practice survival skills
August 13 - 17 Arts and Drama - guests lead us in music, drama and many forms of art.

To register or more info, visit www.IronsHomestead.org
[Learn more](#) about Irons Homestead Camps and Volunteer Opportunities, including various work projects.



Community Notices

Historic Barrington Bike Tour

Barrington Preservation Society invite you to join them for a Historic Barrington Bike Tour on **Saturday, August 4th** from 10 am - Noon. Meet at Police Cove Park at 9:45 am where the Tour will begin/end. Free - open to the public - Aug 5th Rain Date. Bike helmets are required. Register with the Barrington Preservation Society via email at sutherlanddi1980@gmail.com. Tour led by Sydney Montstream-Quas, Director for the award-winning East Bay Bike Path Historic Signs. [More Information](#)



Please note....

Church Calendar is available anytime on-line.

The church calendar is kept up to date and you can find it at <http://bccucc.view-events.com> If you have any meetings or activities planned, please send them to office@bccucc.org so that they can be added to the calendar. Also please notify the office or any errors or changes. Thank you.

Sermons available on line

If you miss church on Sunday or want to hear the sermon again, you can do so at the following link [Sermon Archive](#).



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