

CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Sun, Sep 16		Strengthening the Family Sunday
	8:30 am	CEYM meeting, Library
	10 am	Worship Service, Church School Classes begin
	After worship	Church School Registration, Foyer of Fellowship Hall
	11:15 am	Mandatory OWL Parent Orientation, Library
	11:30 am	Mandatory meeting for volunteers working with children and youth, Room 6
	11:30 am	Stewardship Team meeting, Dale's Office
	2:30 – 4 pm	Kayaking with Dale on Hundred Acre Cove
Mon, Sep 17	11 am	Bereavement Group, Library
	11 am	Lay Visitation meeting, Room 6
	6 pm	Softball Playoff Game (BCCUCC vs St Luke's), Vet's Field
	7 – 8 pm	Mindful Monday, Meditation Room
Tue, Sep 18	11 am	Staff Meeting, Dale's office
	11:30 am	Book Group, Coffee Depot in Warren
	6 pm	Softball Final, Vet's Field
	6 – 8 pm	Feasting at Fireside Parsonage
	7 pm	Finance Team meeting, Library
Wed, Sep 19	2 pm	Communion Service at Atria Bay Spring Senior Living
	7:30 – 9 pm	Choir rehearsal, Vestry
Thurs, Sep 20	3 – 5 pm	Community Office Hours, The Coffee Depot
	7 pm	Deacons' Meeting, Library
Fri, Sep 21		<i>Dale on call for pastoral emergencies</i>
Sun, Sep 23		Seniors, Elders, and Grandparents Sunday
	9 – 9:45 am	Confirmation Orientation with parents, Library
	10 am	Worship Service, Church School
	Noon – 4 pm	Cliff Walk in Newport for Youth Group and Families



Birthdays for the Week of September 16th:

Marcus Nicholson, Bette Reid, Craig Wood, Gabriel DeLaTorre, Judy Miesner, Susan Rotblat-Walker, Lauren Bendheim, Susan Roach, and Bill DeWitt. Please keep them in your prayers.

If your birthday doesn't appear, please contact us at office@bccucc.org or 246-0111 so we can update the database.

DEACONS FOR SEPT: Stephanie Edwards (star), Steve Fodor, Joe Judge, Susan Seader and Pat Stoddard. In the event of a pastoral emergency after hours, if you cannot reach Dale (289-3780) or Brendan (318-2447) please call on a deacon.

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, should they wish to, 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.)

Registration for Church School takes place again TODAY after the worship service. There's a table in the foyer of Fellowship Hall where a parent or guardian who registered their child(ren) last year can just update the info and initial the form for this year, and parents/guardians of children new to the program can fill out a registration form. Please note that for insurance purposes ALL children and youth from infants through Grade 12 are required to have an up-to-date registration form each year, in order to participate in church programs which includes youth group. Thank you.

Mandatory OWL Parent Orientation is TODAY at 11:15 am in the Library and is for the parents of 7th & 8th graders participating in this year's program. If you're new to the church, have a 7th or 8th grader, and would like to learn more about Our Whole Lives – Sexuality & Our Faith (OWL), please attend the meeting. More information can be found on our website at <https://www.bccucc.org/education/youth/owl-our-whole-lives/> or speak with our CE Coordinator, Andrea Bullard (andrea@bccucc.org) or 246-0111 x107.

Mandatory Meeting for Volunteers who work with our children and youth is TODAY from 11:30 a.m. in Room 6. This will be a brief gathering to review all aspects of our Christian Education programs. Each week we need a number of volunteers to run our church school program, so please consider volunteering. We'll provide all the info and resources you'll need. Contact our CE Coordinator, Andrea Bullard at 246-0111 ext. 107 or andrea@bccucc.org for more info.

Come Kayaking this afternoon! Dale and others are going kayaking on the Barrington River and Hundred Acre Cove TODAY from 2:30 - 4 pm and anyone interested is invited to join them. It's open to all ages and abilities! They will be launching from the boat ramp at Walker Farm where kayaks can be rented if needed at a cost of \$20 for a single or \$50 for a double kayak – payable to 'Walker Farm Kayaks' <https://www.facebook.com/walkerfarmkayakrentals/> If you haven't already signed up and plan to come this afternoon – just let Dale know this morning so he knows how many to expect!

Bereavement Group resumes meeting tomorrow, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH at 11 am in the library. The group is open to anyone who has lost a loved one at any time. More info from facilitator Betsy Brenner at jsbeeb@aol.com or 245-8031.

Softball Playoffs: BCCUCC's second softball playoff game was postponed (due to rain) to MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH at 6 pm when they'll play St Luke's for a place in the final, to be held TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH. Games begin at 6 pm and are at Vet's Field (where there are lights) located adjacent to the Bayside Y, 70 West Ave, Barrington. Spectators are encouraged to come cheer them on as they make their bid toward the championship! Go BCCUCC!!!

Mindful Mondays are MONDAY EVENINGS from 7 – 8 pm in the Meditation Room, except on holiday Mondays. Led by Brendan, there is a 20-25 minute guided meditation, a contemplative reading or poem, then tea and discussion. These sessions are designed to be inclusive for people of all faiths and are open to the public. All are welcome.

Book Group meets this TUES, SEPT 18TH at 11:30 am at the Coffee Depot, Warren, to discuss *The Ninth Hour* by Alice McDermott: For more info about the group contact Helen Schall at helenschall@hotmail.com or 245-4724. All welcome!

Community Office Hours: Anyone from the church or community is invited to stop by The Coffee Depot, 501 Main Street, Warren on THURSDAYS from 3–5 pm to visit with Brendan in this more informal setting. All are welcome.

Feasting@Fireside: Elizabeth and Dale Azevedo will be hosting a dinner for 6 at the parsonage on TUES, SEPT 18TH from 6 – 8 pm. There's currently room for 1 more person. Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0d4eaba823a6f85-feasting> or contact the church office 246-0111. Members and friends of the church are welcome.

Confirmation and Orientation: Youth entering 9th grade are invited to be a part of the 2018-2019 Confirmation Class. There will an Orientation for parents and interested 9th graders next SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD from 9 – 9:45 am in the library. Brendan will give an overview of the curriculum, answer questions, and provide coffee and donuts - *please RSVP to Brendan@bccucc.org to let him know if you will be attending.* Deadline for Confirmation sign up is September 30th.

BCCUCC Cliff walk and Picnic: Our BCCUCC Youth Group kick-off event this year is for all 6th-12th graders, their families, and any other families who want to join us! We are going to walk the cliff walk together in Newport, RI next SUNDAY SEPT 23RD after church. Please bring a bagged lunch for a picnic. We will leave from the church at 12 pm and return by 4 pm. *RSVP to Brendan by Thursday, September 20th at brendan@bccucc.org or 401-318-2447.*

Memory Impairment Support Group to meet elsewhere: The group, led by Jim McCartney, will continue to meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month from 1-2:30 pm. However, effective immediately, they will no longer meet at the church but at Tockwotton, 500 Waterfront Drive, E. Providence. Open to patients and caregivers, they next meet TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH. For more information please contact Jim McCartney 529-5259 jrmcc@fullchannel.net

RI Conference Services of Welcome: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH at 4:30 pm at Edgewood Congregational Church, 1788 Broad St, Cranston, to welcome the new Transitional Conference Minister, The Rev. Marilyn Kendrix, and to also welcome the churches to the new Conference offices that are now located at the Edgewood church. All are welcome. A light supper and tours of the new Conference offices will follow. *RSVP to mkendrix@ricucc.org by September 23rd.*

Knitting for Others Group will meet TUES, OCT 2ND from 7 – 9 pm in the church library. The group meets monthly, makes a variety of different items to be given away (prayer shawls, premie hats, etc), and can provide patterns and help. All knitters/crocheters welcome, especially new faces! Contact is Mary Lou Slicker (245-0085 rislick@fullchannel.net).

Women's Faith Group meets the 1st & 3rd Thursdays from 1:30 – 3 pm in the church library beginning THURS, OCT 4TH. The group welcomes women of all ages from BCCUCC as well as other churches and faith traditions. They will begin reading Parker Palmer's new book *On the Brink of Everything: Grace Gravity and Getting Old* and copies are available for purchase from the church office at the discounted price of \$16. For the first session, the group will watch a Parker Palmer interview/lecture. For more information contact Jane Tonn at 289-2349 or jtonn2@cox.net

NAMI Family Support Group: NAMI RI (*National Alliance on Mental Illness*) holds a monthly support group here for family members of people with mental illness. Open to anyone in the community the next meeting is THURS, OCT 4TH from 6 – 7:30 pm in Room 6. For more info contact Cindy Elder at 331-3060 or cindy.elder@namirhodeisland.org

Youth Group Meeting: SUN, OCT 7TH from 11:15 am - 1:15 pm in Room 9. All youth 6-12 grade are invited. Junior and Senior Youth will break into groups at the meeting. Pizza will be provided. For more information, speak with Brendan.

Barrington Day of Caring – a Community Wide Day of Volunteering: MONDAY, OCTOBER 8TH (Columbus Day) from Noon – 5 pm. Volunteers will gather at the town hall then leave to various sites where they can put their talents to work by improving the lives of their neighbors and the local community. Activities will include home improvement, decluttering, yard work, and cleanup of the beach. All ages and skill levels welcome. Barrington Day of Caring is a new initiative of the Barrington Community Support Coalition (BCSC) that comprises of representatives of houses of worship, volunteer agencies, Barrington Business Association, town and school departments, EMS, Fire and Police. Volunteers can register either online at <https://bit.ly/2wCOlrX> downloading a form at www.Barrington.ri.gov or picking up a form at Barrington Town Hall or the Bayside YMCA. The Facebook link is <https://www.facebook.com/BarringtonDayOfCaring>.

Adult Faith Study: "The Jesus Diaries: Who Jesus Is to Me" When is the last time you talked about Jesus and what you really believe about him? Do you even know who Jesus is to you? In this study we will read nine "diaries" from writers of the Stillspeaking Writers Group who will share with us some of the intimacies of their understandings of Jesus in an accessible way. We will discuss these different personal relationships with Jesus and what they may mean to us. We will also spend some time discovering and discussing our own understandings of this man-God. The study meets for four (4) Tuesday evenings from OCT 16TH - NOV 6TH from 7:00-8:15 pm in the BCCUCC Library. Come and join Dale for this interesting discussion. *Register for this class at the church office office@bccucc.org or 246-0111 by Tues, Oct 11th.*

East Bay Kids Clothes Swap is a place to trade in clean (non-stained) clothes and shoes, and get clothes the next size up! Ages newborn to 12 years old. Give what you can, take what you need! It's a great community resource, a place for parents and kids to meet up, and a way to reduce waste. It will take place in Fellowship Hall the 3rd Saturday of the month, from 9:30 am-11:30 am starting SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20TH and is open to the community. \$3-\$5 donation at the door to cover space rental and expenses, but no one turned away. Learn more at <https://www.facebook.com/rikidswap>. If you have clothes to contribute, please email rikidswap@gmail.com or call Megan at 401-396-6430.

'From the River's Edge': Brendan's latest blog 'Thoughts and Prayers' can be read on the church website www.bccucc.org, on Facebook, or at a link in the eBridge. Printed copies are on the table in the back of Fellowship Hall.

Do we have your email address? If not and you'd like to receive the *eBridge* newsletter and other mailings from the church, please send your email address to Christine at office@bccucc.org - and be sure to include your name – or sign up on the sheet on the table in the narthex (near where the greeters stand) or at the back of Fellowship Hall.

Please wear a nametag: It helps us get to know one other, and is also welcoming to newcomers. If you don't have a permanent one, stick-on nametags are available from baskets in various locations. Please wear your nametag for worship and coffee hour. Need a nametag? Sign up for one in the vestry hallway or at the Welcome Table in Fellowship Hall. Newly made nametags are placed in the specially labeled basket on the sideboard in the vestry hallway for you to pick up.

Our complete Church calendar can be viewed online from our website or directly at <http://bccucc.view-events.com>