

CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Sun, Sep 9		Homecoming Sunday – return to 10 am worship time
	9:30 am	Church School Registration – and also after worship, Foyer of Fellowship Hall
	10 am	Worship Service for All Ages with Dedication of Church School Volunteers, Nursery Care only
	At Coffee Hour	Ice Cream Truck with complimentary frozen treats for everyone!
Mon, Sep 10	3 – 7 pm	Blood Drive, Fellowship Hall
	7 pm	Buildings and Grounds meeting, Room 6
	7 – 8 pm	Mindful Monday, Meditation Room
Tue, Sep 11	11 am	Staff Meeting, Dale’s office
	1-2:30 pm	Memory Impairment Support Group, Library
	6 pm	Softball Playoff Game BCCUCC vs St James, Vet’s Field
Thurs, Sep 13	3 – 5 pm	Community Office Hours, The Coffee Depot
	6 pm	Softball Final (Teams TBD), Vet’s Field
Fri, Sep 14		<i>Brendan on call for pastoral emergencies</i>
Sun, Sep 16		Strengthening the Family Sunday
	8:30 am	CEYM meeting, Library
	9:30 am	Church School Registration – and also after worship, Foyer of Fellowship Hall
	10 am	Worship Service, Church School Classes begin
	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



Birthdays for the Week of September 9th: *Maggie Slane, Mary Lou Slicker, Seth Azevedo, Tom Strolla, Jennifer Geary, Connor Helm, Jake Brougham, Sim Hawes, Marion Willey, Carey Bowman, Moyne Cabbage, Lucy McMillan, and Charlotte McGarry.* 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.

Registration for Church School takes place both before (from 9:30 am) and after the worship service TODAY. There is 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. Thank you.

Celebrating the start of our new program year: Our Christian Education and Youth Ministries Team (CEYM) has arranged for an ice cream truck to be at coffee hour today. Everyone is invited to enjoy a complimentary frozen treat of their choice! There will also be our regular coffee hour offerings provided by our Finance Team and Members at Large.

Blood Drive - Donors needed: Our church hosting a Blood Drive again tomorrow, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH from 3 – 7 pm in Fellowship Hall. *All presenting donors will receive a \$10 gift certificate to Chardonnay’s.* You can make an appointment at www.ribc.org/drives – use donor code 1562 – or just stop by as no appointment is necessary. Bring your driver’s license or another form of identification when you donate. A blood donation can save 3 lives and help cancer victims, individuals with traumatic blood loss, and surgical patients. For donation info visit www.ribc.org/giving-101

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.

Memory Impairment Support Group meets TUESDAY, SEPT 11TH from 1 - 2:30 pm in the library. It is open to patients and caregivers, and need not be members of this church. Info: contact Jim McCartney 529-5259 jrmcc@fullchannel.net

Softball Playoffs: BCCUCC’s softball team had a great win against Temple Habonim in the first playoff game, and will play St Luke’s on TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH for a place in the final on Thursday. Games begin at 6 pm and have been moved to 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!!!

Change in date for September’s Church Council meeting to TUES, SEPT 25TH at 7 pm in Room 6. Some church council members are on our softball team, and they’re needed for the playoff game this Tuesday (otherwise we’d have to forfeit!)

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.

Sign up to go kayaking! Dale is planning another afternoon of kayaking on the Barrington River and Hundred Acre Cove for anyone interested next SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH from 2:30 - 4 pm. It’s open to all ages and abilities - so please join him! We will be launching from the boat ramp at Walker Farm where kayaks can be rented if needed <https://www.facebook.com/walkerfarmkayakrentals/> PLEASE SIGN UP by Wednesday, September 12th by contacting Dale at 246-0111 x 103 or dale@bccucc.org. Let him know if you’re bringing your own kayak OR need to rent one at a cost of \$20 for a single or \$50 for a double kayak – payable to ‘Walker Farm Kayaks’.

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

‘From the River’s Edge’: Dale’s new blog ‘You ARE the church!’ 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.

Mandatory OWL Parent Orientation is next SUNDAY, SEPT 16TH 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), visit <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 next SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH 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

Bereavement Group will resume meeting on 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.

Book Group meets TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH at 11:30 am at the Coffee Depot, Warren, to discuss *The Ninth Hour* by Alice McDermott: ‘A portrait of the Irish-American experience is presented through the story of an Irish immigrant’s suicide and how it reverberates through innumerable lives in early twentieth-century Catholic Brooklyn.’ For more info contact Helen Schall helenschall@hotmail.com 245-4724. All welcome!

Feasting@Fireside: Elizabeth and Dale Azevedo will be hosting dinner for six 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. All 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 on 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.

Youth Group Cliff Walk: All youth in 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. We will be leaving after church from the church parking lot. Youth coming without a parent will need a permission slip. Families are welcome! For more info, contact Brendan at Brendan@bccucc.org or 246-0111 x 104.

RI Conference Services of Welcome: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH at 4:30 pm at Edgewood Congregational Church, to welcome the new Transitional Conference Minister, The Rev. Marilyn Baugh Kendrix, and to also welcome the churches to the new Conference offices that are now located at the Edgewood church. All are welcome.

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 have been ordered for purchase from the church office. For more info contact Jane Tonn at 289-2349 or jtonn2@cox.net

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>.

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.

Altar flowers needed: A donor is needed to pay (\$30) for one vase of altar flowers on SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH. If interested, please contact Beth Buckley of our Chancel Team at elizabethbuckley21@msn.com or (401) 247-0324.

Elevette Operators needed: 3 additional volunteers needed 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. Volunteers are only scheduled 4 or 5 times a year and training is provided - it’s very easy! Contact George Bolton at 368-7899 or rmbg18@yahoo.com.

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.

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.)

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