

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

CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The church office is open Monday – Friday from 9:30 am – 12:30 pm and 1:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Sun, Apr 14		Palm/Passion Sunday
	10 am	Worship Service, Lenten Lollapalooza during Church School time
	11:15 am	Endowment Conversation, Library
	After worship	'Bring and Buy' Bake Sale Mission Trip Fundraiser, Foyer
Mon, Apr 15		<i>Deadline for Chancel Fund donations</i>
	7:15 am	Holy Week Reflection with Dale, Library
Tues, Apr 16	7:15 am	Holy Week Reflection with Dale, Library
	11 am	Staff meeting, Office
Wed, Apr 17	7:15 am	Holy Week Reflection with Dale, Library
	2 pm	Communion Service at Atria Senior Living No Choir rehearsal
Thurs, Apr 18		Maundy Thursday
	7:15 am	Holy Week Reflection with Dale, Library
	1 – 2:30 pm	Women's Faith Group, Library
	3 – 4 pm	Community Office Hours, The Coffee Depot in Warren
	4 – 5 pm	'Come to the Water' Lenten study with Brendan, The Coffee Depot
	7 pm	Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service with Communion, Sanctuary
	After service ends	Choir rehearsal, Vestry
Fri, Apr 19		Good Friday <i>Office Closed</i>
	7:15 am	Holy Week Reflection with Dale, Library <i>Dale on call for pastoral emergencies</i>
Sat, Apr 20	9:30 – 11:30 am	East Bay Kids Clothes and Toy Swap, Fellowship Hall
Sun, Apr 21		Easter Sunday
	5:45 am	Ecumenical Easter Sunrise Communion Service, Osamequin Point
	9 am and 11:15 am	Worship Services for All Ages, Nursery Care only
	10:15 am	Coffee Hour, and Easter Egg Hunt for toddlers thru Grade 5



Birthdays for the Week of April 14th: *Maeve Hecht, Jane Cipoletti, Stuart Wemple, Mikey Forzano, Mary Kutcher, and Francis Seader.* 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.

APRIL DEACONS: Chris Brady (star), Abby Ashley, Bernie Hawes, Jon Stabach, Carol Strakosch, and Kim Zeleznik. In the event of a pastoral emergency, if you cannot reach Dale (860 301-6762) or Brendan (318-2447) please call on a deacon.

Lenten Lollapalooza will take place during church school time TODAY. The Church School children will have the opportunity to do a variety of crafts in Fellowship Hall including making pretzels and palm crosses.

Leaving a Legacy: Conversation about BCCUCC's Endowment Funds. Join the Endowment Team TODAY beginning at 11:15 am in the Library. Did you know our church has permanent funds that earn monies annually to help run our church? Would you like to know the status and significance of these long-term investment funds? Would you like to have input on the strategy for growth of these funds? This legacy has been left to us by people like you who cared about the future of our church. Would you like to leave a legacy too? There will be a brief update on the status and significance of our Endowment funds, but mostly we want you in the conversation. Feedback and ideas will help us develop plans for the future. Childcare will be provided. We look forward to seeing you there and hearing what you have to say.

Palm Sunday 'Bring and Buy' Bake Sale is TODAY: Thanks to everyone who brought in a baked item for donation to this fundraiser for the Mission Trip. The Bake Sale takes place in the foyer outside of Fellowship Hall. Please stop by after worship on your way into coffee hour, buy some yummy baked goods for Easter, and meet our friendly mission trip participants who will be tending the table. Thank you for supporting our church's mission trip. The mission trip team thanks you!

TODAY is the last opportunity for donating items to H.O.M.E. – the collection container is in Fellowship Hall. Thanks to everyone who donated something. Our youth and chaperones will take the items with them when they leave this afternoon.

Chancel Fund: Donation forms with all of the information together with special envelopes are included in today's bulletin. We hope that you will consider donating to this fund. *Deadline for donations is TOMORROW, Mon, April 15th.*

From the River's Edge: The latest blog is "Lent – Easter Refresher" by Dale. It can be read at the link on the home page of our church website www.bccucc.org, and printed copies are on the table at the back of Fellowship Hall.

Are you using our correct email addresses? They are Dale dale@bccucc.org, Brendan brendan@bccucc.org, Christine office@bccucc.org, Pat pat@bccucc.org, Andrea andrea@bccucc.org. Our old email addresses no longer work.

Want to be on our mailing list? Send your info to office@bccucc.org and be sure to include your name. There are also sign up sheets on the table in the narthex (by the greeters) and at the back of Fellowship Hall.

Community Office Hours & 'Come to the Water' book/Bible study: The last of these Lenten studies is this THURSDAY, APRIL 18TH from 4-5 pm at The Coffee Depot, 501 Main St, Warren. They've been reading "What The Eyes Don't See," by Mona Hanna-Attisha and Brendan hosts weekly discussions on sections of the book and provides eco-themed scripture passages to expand the discussion. Participants are exploring the theme of God in creation and how our faith moves us to act as stewards and sustainers of the natural world that makes life possible. After Easter, Community Office Hours on THURSDAY AFTERNOONS will go back to being from 3 – 5 pm. Questions? Contact Brendan brendan@bccucc.org 246-0111.

Please wear a nametag for worship and coffee hour: If you don't have one, there are stick-on ones in a basket beside where the greeters stand. Sign up for a permanent one on the list in the vestry hallway or at the back of Fellowship Hall.

Help needed with coffee hour on Easter Sunday: Our Buildings and Grounds Team is hosting coffee hour this month, but they need some assistance on Easter Sunday when coffee hour takes place between the two services at approx 10:15 am. To volunteer to help please contact the chair of B&G, Larry Ashley, at saltmarsh02@gmail.com or (508) 965-2699. Thank you.

Women's Faith Group meets THURS, APRIL 18TH from 1-2:30 pm in the library. The group welcomes women of all ages from BCCUCC as well as other churches and faiths. They are reading *The Dark Flood Rises* by Margaret Drabble – copies are available for purchase from the church office (\$13). For more info, contact Jane Tonn at 289-2349 or jtonn2@cox.net.

Church Office will be closed on GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 19TH AND EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 22ND.

East Bay Kids Clothes & Toy Swap: Trade in your kid's clean clothes, shoes, and gently used toys, get new (to you) clothes, shoes and toys! Size Newborn to age 12. Give what you can, take what you need! The next one is SAT, APR 20TH from 9:30 - 11:30 am in Fellowship Hall. The event is open to the community and takes place on the 3rd Sat of the month. There's a \$3-\$5 donation at the door but no one will be turned away. Learn more at <https://www.facebook.com/EastBayKidsClothesSwap/>

Holy Week and Easter at BCCUCC: See the yellow insert in today's bulletin for information about the various worship and other opportunities including **Holy Week Morning Reflections**, the **Maundy Thursday Service of Tenebrae**, the **Ecumenical Easter Sunrise Service** at Osamequin Point, our **Easter Services** and the **Easter Egg Hunt** on Easter Sunday!

Bereavement Group meets on MON, APRIL 22ND at 11 am in the Library. The group is open to anyone (not just church members) 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, APRIL 23RD at 11:30 am at the Coffee Depot, Warren, to discuss *The Indigo Girl* by Natasha Boyd. For more info about the group, please contact Helen Schall at helenschall@hotmail.com or 245-4724. All welcome!

Loaves and Fishes Truck Run: Our next Loaves and Fishes RI truck run will be WED, APRIL 24TH. Specific food and clothing items are needed – find out which at the online sign-up sheet at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050a4aaca2aa75-mobile3> and sign up how you can help. Prep starts in the kitchen around 4:30 pm to prepare food and load the truck. For more information, questions, or if you are unable to sign up on line to donate items or help with prep etc, please contact Liz White (401-245-0285 or lizzyw2@aol.com) or Phyllis Buckley (401-742-7320 or pbuckley6@cox.net).

RICUCC Annual Spring Meeting: All are invited to attend this meeting on **Sat, April 27th** at Edgewood Congregational Church, 1788 Broad St, Cranston RI. 8:30 am Continental Breakfast. 9 am - Noon Worship, Meeting, Communion. Registration \$10. Delegates and visitors are reminded to register at www.ricucc.org where there are also more details.

Church Clean Up Day is SATURDAY, APRIL 27TH from 9 am – 1 pm. Please plan to come help clean up the church grounds and tackle other projects needing attention. Volunteers of all abilities (skilled & unskilled) and ages are welcome, even if you can only be there for a short time. The Boy Scouts of Troop 6 will also be assisting. Sign up is appreciated - contact Larry Ashley at (508) 965-2699 or saltmarsh02@gmail.com. Please bring work gloves and gardening tools if you have them.

An opportunity to say goodbye: Long time church member, Nancy Martin is leaving RI and moving to Michigan to be close to family. Please join us on SUNDAY, APRIL 28TH as we say goodbye to Nancy, and send her off with our best wishes.

The first **East Bay Women's Clothing Swap** will be held SAT, MAY 4TH from 9:30-11:30 am in Fellowship Hall. \$3-\$5 entry, no one turned away. Clean out your closet and bring shoes, bags, and clothing that you no longer need to the swap, and bring home a new wardrobe! The event is open to the community. Interested in volunteering? Email Melissalorusso22@gmail.com

Want to learn more about our church – and maybe become a member? Rev. Dale Azevedo invites you to join him on SUNDAY, MAY 5TH for 'Conversations about our Church' from 11:30 am – 1 pm. Whether you are new to our church community or have been coming for some time, you are very welcome to attend. The session will give you an opportunity to learn more about who we are and what we believe, and will give you the information needed to decide if you'd like to join our church at this time. Our next New Member Sunday will be May 12th. If you'd like to attend "Conversations" *RSVP to the church office at office@bccucc.org or 246-0111 by Mon, April 29th*. Childcare will be provided if you let us know it's needed when RSVP.

Jubilation Sunday Supplies: We're already planning for Jubilation Sunday when we celebrate the culmination of our church school year together. This year we will celebrate how we, as the church, are, "one body with many parts," and we'll make a mandala during worship on SUNDAY, MAY 19TH. Between now and then, we are collecting sea shells, fake flowers, rocks, feathers, sticks/drift wood, and sea glass. We invite you to prayerfully seek out these items and bring them into church *by May 12th* and put in the collection basket in Fellowship Hall. Contact Andrea with any questions andrea@bccucc.org

Tickets available for the Loaves and Fishes RI fundraiser: LFRI will be holding an Auction Fundraiser on THURS, MAY 16TH from 6 – 9 pm at the RI Country Club, 150 Nayatt Rd, Barrington. Hors d'oeuvres, buffet and cash bar, silent auction, and raffles. Tickets are \$40 each from church member Phyllis Buckley at coffee hour, or contact her at pbuckley6@cox.net or 742-7320. The LFRI truck makes about 20 runs a month and serves food, clothing, and basic necessities to the homeless and those in need of nourishment and basic necessities, at multiple sites throughout RI. Learn more at www.lfri.org.

'**A Taste of Haiti**' Fundraiser - SAT, MAY 18TH at North Farm Yacht Club in Bristol from 5-8 pm. There will be Haitian food, wine and beer, slide show, vocalist Beck Bass with her steel pan, a 50/50 drawing, and hopefully a beautiful sunset over the bay. Tickets \$60 each or 2 for \$100. Space is limited so only 75 tickets will be sold. If you cannot attend, donations are welcome and drawing tickets are now being sold (\$1 for one, \$5 for 6). Proceeds go to the One Egg Haiti program that brings nourishing eggs to hundreds of children in schools and orphanages in Haiti. The event is sponsored by the RI Haiti Task Force. To make a reservation, donation, or for info, contact Trish Sylvester at trishsylvester@gmail.com or 401-447-6489.

Welcome Folders: If you're new to our church, we extend a warm welcome and invite you to pick up a blue Welcome Folder from the racks half way down the stairs. We also invite you to join us for refreshments after the service at coffee hour in Fellowship Hall, located at the far end of the Education Building. We're glad that you're here.

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.

Our Church calendar can be viewed online at <http://bccucc.view-events.com> If you have meetings or activities planned, please send them to office@bccucc.org to be added to the calendar. Also please notify the office of any errors or changes.