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CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reduced Church Office Hours from May 20 – 31: Monday – Friday from 9:30 am – 12:30 pm only

Sun, May 19		Jubilation Sunday
	10 am	Worship Service in Fellowship Hall for All Ages, Nursery Care only
	Noon – 2 pm	Youth Community Clean Up
Mon, May 20	11 am	Staff Meeting, Dale's office
	12:30 am – 1:30 pm	Bereavement Group, Library
	7 - 8 pm	Mindful Monday, Meditation Room (Room 8)
Tues, May 21	11:30 am	Book Group, The Coffee Depot in Warren
Wed, May 22	7:30 – 9 pm	Choir rehearsal
Thurs, May 23	3 – 7 pm	Blood Drive, Fellowship Hall
	3 – 5 pm	Community Office Hours, The Coffee Depot in Warren
Fri, May 24		<i>Brendan on call for pastoral emergencies</i> <i>Deadline for Annual Reports (send to office@bccucc.org)</i>
Sun, May 26		Mental Health Awareness Sunday
	10 am	Worship Service for All Ages, Nursery Care only



Birthdays for the Week of May 19th: *Joan Miller, Marion Fodor, Kathy Sullivan, Diane Mason, Evan Shoaf, and Greg Voigt.* 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.

MAY DEACONS: Joe Judge (star), Stephanie Edwards, Steve Fodor, Susan Seader, and Pat Stoddard. In the event of a pastoral emergency, if you cannot reach Dale (860 301-6762) or Brendan (318-2447) please call on a deacon.

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 fill out the Visitor Response Card located in the Welcome Folder or in the pew rack, so that we can get to know you. We're glad that you're here and hope you'll join us again!

TODAY is Jubilation Sunday when we celebrate our children and our church school programs. The theme is "One Body", and we are gathering for worship in Fellowship Hall to share what it means to be the body of Christ through prayer and meditation as we create our very own mandala ("...a graphic symbol of the universe"). There will also be a special treat at coffee hour so we hope you'll stick around after the service!

Thank you to everyone who has brought in sea shells, fake flowers, rocks, feathers, sticks/drift wood, and sea glass to make a mandala at TODAY's Jubilation Sunday worship service. We look forward to creating the mandala with them!

Special Offering: Last Sunday was UCC Sunday when we celebrated our role in the United Church of Christ (UCC). As a member of the Rhode Island Conference of the UCC, we provide a \$20 per person contribution to the Conference to support its ministries and outreach. This contribution is in addition to our usual funding called Our Church's Wider Mission. If you missed it last week, we invite anyone who would like to support the conference's work to contribute their \$20 per capita dues (or a portion thereof) to participate in this special offering. Please make checks payable to 'BCCUCC' and mark the memo line 'Membership'. Special collection envelopes are on the table at the back of the hall. Thanks to those who already contributed.

May's Coffee hour is hosted by our Mission & Justice team. To honor God's creation and reduce the amount of trash produced, they are serving hot beverages in REAL cups at coffee hour. Please bring in any extra mugs you might like to donate to the church kitchen and leave them off at the coffee hour table. All are invited again TODAY to join M&J in writing letters to our Congressional Delegation concerning climate change. Thanks to everyone who donated mugs or wrote letters last week.

Youth Community Clean Up: All 6th to 12th graders who wish to participate in the Youth community clean-up are asked to meet in front of Starbuck's in Barrington at Noon TODAY. This event will be chaperoned.

Staff away: Christine will be out of the office from tomorrow, MONDAY, MAY 20TH THRU FRIDAY, MAY 31ST. During that time the office will be open from 9:30 am – 12:30 pm only each day, and be closed on Monday, May 27th for Memorial Day.

Annual Reports needed: Church officers, ministry team chairs etc. are asked to write their annual reports covering the period June 2018 – May 2019. Reports should still be sent to office@bccucc.org (even though Christine is away, her emails will be checked regularly) or dropped off in the church office **by this Friday, May 24th**. The individual reports will be compiled into BCCUCC's 2019 Annual Report in time for the Annual Meeting on SUNDAY, JUNE 9TH following the 10 am worship service. Previous year's reports can be viewed on our church website under Get Involved > Information for Church Members.

Have you thought about joining a Ministry Team? The Membership Team is still looking for people to serve on ministry teams for the 2019-2020 Church year. Some slots have been filled but there are still some openings, and you don't have to be a member to serve on many of the teams. If you're interested in getting more involved in this way, we'd love to have you. To learn more or to volunteer, contact Elizabeth Azevedo at (860) 301-2915 or eazevedo17@gmail.com

'From the River's Edge' The latest blog is by Brendan, "Run For Your Life!" Read it from the link on the home page of our church website www.bccucc.org. Printed copies are on the table at the back of Fellowship Hall.

Softball anyone? Every summer BCCUCC fields a co-ed softball team to participate in the Barrington Churches Softball League. Any interested men aged 30+ or women aged 16+ who would enjoy playing are invited to contact Tom Strolla at ostrolla@cox.net or (401) 246-0936. Games are usually played Mondays, Tuesdays or Thursdays starting late June at 6 pm at Bicknell Field, located at the end of Walnut Road off Lincoln. It's fun and new players are always most welcome.

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.

Bereavement Group meets MONDAY, MAY 20TH for this session only at the later time of 12:30 – 1:30 pm 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.

Mindful Mondays is ongoing on MONDAY EVENINGS from 7 – 8 pm in the Meditation Room, except on days when the office is closed on a holiday. The hour consists of a 20-25 minute guided meditation, a contemplative reading or poem, followed by tea and discussion, led by Brendan. These sessions are for people of all faiths and are open to the public.

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.

Book Group meets TUES, MAY 21ST at 11:30 am at the Coffee Depot, Warren, to discuss *The Ruin* by Dervla McTiernan. “After Maude's mother overdoses and her brother's body is found in a nearby river, Detective Cormac Reilly is pressured to arrest her for the deaths, but evidence emerges that points to an unexpected series of events that changes everything.” For more info about the group, please contact Helen Schall at helenschall@hotmail.com or 245-4724. All welcome!

Blood Drive at BCCUCC – Donor needed: This THURSDAY, MAY 23RD from 3 – 7 pm in Fellowship Hall. Visit www.ribc.org to learn more about donating, eligibility, or make an appointment (use sponsor code 1562). Drop-ins are also very welcome. Don't forget to bring your drivers license or other form of ID. All are encouraged to give the gift of life by donating blood.

2019 AIDS Run/Walk for Life: You are invited to join and/or sponsor Team Barrington Congregational Church, (UCC) in the 2019 AIDS Run/Walk for Life. Our team will gather at our church's booth at the Roger Williams Park Carousel at 8 am on SATURDAY, JUNE 1ST. There are a few ways you can participate! You can walk or run the 5k with us, or you can help run our church's booth. Whether or not you go to the event, you can sponsor our church's team and support the cause by making a donation at <https://familyserviceri.z2systems.com/np/clients/familyserviceri/campaign.jsp?campaign=8&fundraiser=6623&> You can find this link on-line at the church's website www.bccucc.org in Brendan's blog “Run for Your Life!” which has more information about the event. Contact Brendan if you have any questions. brendan@bccucc.org or 246-0111 ext. 104.

Pedals for Patriots: Do you have an old bicycle or even a newer bicycle that you are not using? The Lions Club of Barrington will be in our Church parking lot SAT, JUNE 1ST from 9 - 11 am collecting used bicycles for Operation Stand Down Rhode Island's 'Pedals for Patriots' program. They will be given to veterans to assist them with their basic transportation needs.

Confirmation Sunday is JUNE 2ND when eight of our 9th graders will be confirmed and become full members of our church, following preparation with Brendan since last September. We hope that you can join us.

Class on the Grass will be held during church school time on SUNDAYS, JUNE 2ND, 9TH, 16TH & 23RD. All children from Pre-K through 8th grade are invited to participate. The children will hear a Bible story, do an activity or art project, and have a snack out on the playground (weather permitting).

National Gun Violence Awareness: In recognition and support, the front of the church will once again be lit up in orange both on SUNDAY, JUNE 2ND and again for the weekend of JUNE 7TH – 9TH. Supporters are encouraged to wear orange to remind everyone of the need for legislation on gun safety, background checks, and the banning of assault weapons.

A Ladies Lunch will be held on THURS, JUNE 6TH at Noon in Fellowship Hall to which ALL ladies of the church are invited, regardless of age! RSVP to the office (246-0111) **by Friday, May 31st** or sign up TODAY at coffee hour. Don't miss this annual event that includes strawberry shortcake! Hosted by the Women's Faith Group and the Membership Team.

Graduation information needed for newsletter: We like to recognize those in our church family who are graduating from high school, college, graduate school etc, by publishing their names and graduation info in our newsletter. If you or a family member is graduating this spring, please send the info to the church office at office@bccucc.org **by Sunday, June 2nd**. Information needed is name of graduate, high school or institution from which they're graduating, what college or further education they may be attending, or what degree they are getting, and any future plans if appropriate.

Kathleen Lynne Fodor Scholarships: Two scholarships are awarded each year - one to a high school graduate going on to further education, and one to a student already in college. Graduating high school seniors and college students *who have been confirmed and are members of this church* are eligible to apply. **Application deadline is Sunday, June 2nd** and the scholarships are awarded on BACCALAUREATE SUNDAY, JUNE 9TH. Application forms are available from outside the church office; at www.bccucc.org under Get Involved > Information for Church Members; and from a link in the eBridge.

Baccalaureate Sunday is JUNE 9TH when we recognize our **high school seniors** during the worship service, and the Kathleen Lynne Fodor Scholarships are awarded. We invite our High School Seniors to attend and there are just three easy things you need to do: 1) RSVP to the church office **by Sunday, June 2nd** (office@bccucc.org or 246-0111); 2) get a copy of the questions for the graduate introductions from the office and return it; 3) don't worry about wearing a gown to church (regular church clothes will suffice). If you have any questions, talk with Dale (dale@bccucc.org). And Congratulations!

BCCUCC Annual Meeting will also take place on Baccalaureate SUNDAY, JUNE 9TH in the sanctuary immediately following the 10 am worship service. All church members are encouraged to attend. Child care will be provided.

**Warrant for the ANNUAL MEETING Barrington Congregational Church, Barrington, Rhode Island
Sunday, June 9th, 2019**

The annual meeting of the Barrington Congregational Church, UCC is hereby called to take place in the sanctuary following the regular 10:00 a.m. worship service on **Sunday, June 9th, 2019**. The business to be transacted is as follows:

- ARTICLE I: To call the meeting to order.
- ARTICLE II: To receive and vote on the slate of nominees for officers, ministry teams, and delegates.
- ARTICLE III: To consider any other business that may properly come before the meeting.
- ARTICLE IV: To adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted: *Pat Cordeiro*, Clerk

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.