

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

CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sun., June 16		You Can't Do It Alone Sunday and Father's Day
	10:00 am	Worship Service, Class on the Grass
<i>Start of summer office hours: Open Mon, Tues, Thurs 9:30 am – 1 pm; Wed 11 am – 1 pm; Closed on Fridays</i>		
Mon, June 17	10 am	Staff meeting, Dale's office
	11 am	Lay Visitation meeting, Library
	6 pm	Softball game BCCUCC vs St Luke's, Bicknell Field
	6 pm	Peace Walk Potluck and Program, Fellowship Hall
	7 pm	Mindful Monday will be incorporated into the Peace Walk Program
Tues, June 18	11 am	Bereavement Group, Library
	11:30 am	Book Group, The Coffee Depot
Wed, Jun 19	Noon	<i>Deadline for eBridge</i>
	1:30 pm	Communion Service at Atria Senior Living (<i>note the earlier time</i>)
Thurs, Jun 20		No Community Office Hours
Fri, June 21		<i>Dale on call for pastoral emergencies. Office Closed.</i>
Sun, June 23		Health Sunday
	10:00 am	Worship Service, Class on the Grass
	11:30 am	SPRT meeting, Dale's office



Birthdays for the Week of June 16th:

John Block, Jordyn Forman, Lauren Kiley, Priscilla DiMarco, Olivia Hecht, Gary Bilotti, Al Butler, Ben Sylvester, Drew DiOrio, Jim Baker and Evan Waite.. 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.

JUNE DEACONS: Stephanie Edwards (star), Abby Ashley, Chris Brady, Bernie Hawes, Jon Stabach, Carol Strakosch, Kim Zeleznik. In 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 halfway down the stairs. We also invite you to fill out the Visitor Response Card located in the 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 come again!

Class on the Grass continues during church school time TODAY and also next Sunday, JUNE 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) or inside if the weather doesn't cooperate.

Summer Nursery Care is provided every Sunday throughout the summer for children age 3 and younger.

Graduation information needed by TODAY 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 graduates this spring, please send the info to the church office at office@bccucc.org by TODAY. (Due to a slow response, we've extended the deadline and the graduate information will appear in the June 20th eBridge newsletter). 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.

It's not too late to volunteer! At last Sunday's Annual Meeting, Dale talked about the challenge the church is facing as a result of insufficient volunteers willing to serve as church officers and on ministry teams. Please prayerfully consider if you could fill one of those vacancies. If you'd like to volunteer or just learn more, please speak with Elizabeth Azevedo (860) 301-2915 or eazevedo17@gmail.com. The table below shows the existing vacancies. Please note that while some positions require you to have joined the church, others do not.

<i>Position</i>	<i># vacancies</i>	<i>Must be a member</i>	<i>Length of term</i>
Clerk	1	Yes	1 year
Buildings and Grounds Team	2	No	1 or 2 years
Christian and Youth Ministries Team (CEYM)	1 adult 1 youth	No No	1 or 2 years
Endowment Team	1	Yes	1 or 2 years
Finance Team	1	Yes	1 or 2 years
Membership Team	4	No	1 or 2 years
Stewardship Team	2	No	1 or 2 years

Are you able to take minutes of a meeting? If the answer is yes and you're also an official member of this church, then do we have a role for you! The position of Clerk has yet to be filled (as shown above) and we're required to have one as a non-profit organization. It doesn't take up much time as the clerk's main function is simply to attend and take minutes at the monthly Church Council meetings and at the Annual meetings. If you'd like to volunteer or just learn more, please speak with Elizabeth Azevedo (860) 301-2915 or eazevedo17@gmail.com.

Is it time to reimagine how we do church? During our annual meeting we noted that there were a number of seats on ministry teams that went unfilled due to a lack of willing volunteers. This made us ask during the meeting, are we structured correctly? Should we take a look at the Teams that we have and perhaps restructure them or maybe even combine or create new ones? Should we revisit our By-Laws to see if they are relevant in our Church today or do they need an overhaul? How do we tie in our work on the Renewal Team along with our recent "What is our Why?" into a Vision for our church beginning in 2020? Or a sort of Vision 2020? We do it with your help and with your ideas.

If you're interested in joining us and helping to shape our church for the next decade and beyond, please send an email to Vision2020@bccucc.org Feel free to send your ideas along as well. We'd love to hear them.

Summer Office Hours: The church office will be open for shorter hours beginning tomorrow, MON, JUN 17TH. Open hours will be Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:30 am – 1 pm; Wednesdays 11 am – 1 pm; and it will be closed on Fridays.

Softball anyone? Every summer BCCUCC fields a co-ed softball team to participate in the Barrington Houses of Worship 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. The season begins TOMORROW and games are played Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays starting 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. The 2019 schedule has been published and is on the website. Printed copies are available at the back of Fellowship Hall and on the rack outside the church office.

Games begin tomorrow – come cheer on the team! BCCUCC's first two softball games will be on MON, JUN 17TH against St Lukes, and on MON, JUN 24TH against Team Unaffiliated. All games begin at 6 pm at Bicknell Field - see above for directions. The team loves to have spectators come cheer them on so if you're available, please stop by and support them!

Potluck and Program: *Listening to the Call of the Great Spirit.* You are invited to join the Mission and Justice Team TOMORROW, MONDAY, JUNE 17TH at 6 pm in Fellowship Hall as we host a Potluck Dinner for the Peace Walk, initiated by the New England Peace Pagoda of Leverett, MA. Following the dinner the walkers will present a program to tell us about themselves and how they are walking portions of the regions that underwent "The Great Dying" in 1616 – 1619, prior to the landing of the Mayflower. Indian villages from Maine to Massachusetts, including Patuxet (later named Plymouth) lost 90 -100% of their population to a terrible disease. All are invited – please bring a dish of your choice. For more information on this community dinner, contact Helen Schall at helenschall@hotmail.com.

Mindful Monday will not meet in the Meditation Room TOMORROW, JUN 17TH, but in Fellowship Hall to participate in the Peace Walk program (see above). Prior to the program all are invited to the potluck at 6 pm. Bring a dish of your choice. Mindful Monday on Mon, Jun 24th is cancelled as Brendan will be out of town. It will resume on MON, JULY 1ST.

Bereavement Group meets TUES, JUN 18TH at 11 am in the Library (*note the different day*). 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. This will be the last time the group meets until the fall as they take a hiatus over the summer.

Book Group meets TUES, JUNE 18TH at 11:30 am at the Coffee Depot, Warren, to discuss *Moloka'i* by Alan Brennert: "Compellingly original in its concept, Brennert's sweeping debut novel tracks the grim struggle of a Hawaiian woman who contracts leprosy as a child in Honolulu during the 1890s and is deported to the island of Moloka'i, where she grows to adulthood at the quarantined settlement of Kalaupapa." (Publisher's Weekly). For more info about the group, please contact Helen Schall at helenschall@hotmail.com or 245-4724. All welcome!

Time change for Service at Atria Bay Spring Senior Living: A service is held on the third Wednesday of every month in the chapel of their facility at 147 Bay Spring Avenue, Barrington. Beginning this WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19TH the service will be at the earlier time of **1:30 pm** to avoid conflicting with other events happening at Atria. This month's service is led by Dale and includes communion and hymns.

Community Office Hours: There will be NO community office hours this Thursday, June 20th as there is no longer a minister available to host. They will resume on THURS, JUN 27TH and continue every Thursday (except for July 4th) through THURS, AUG 1ST. 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.

Clergy away: Brendan will be out of the office from THURS, JUN 20TH – WED, JUN 26TH, attending the 2019 General Synod of the United Church of Christ as part of his work with the Next Generation Leadership Initiative (NGLI).

Loaves and Fishes Truck Run: Our next Loaves and Fishes RI truck run is WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26TH. Specific food and clothing items are needed – check the online sign-up sheet at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050a4aacae2aa75-mobile3> and sign up how you can help. 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 those going out on the truck must be at least age 16. 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).

Our Summer Worship Schedule will begin SUNDAY, JUNE 30TH and run through SEPTEMBER 1ST. The Worship Service will be for All Ages and will begin at the slightly earlier time of **9:30 am**. Nursery Care will be provided each week for our youngest members up to age 3. We hope you will join us for worship over the summer when you are in town.

Youth Group meets SUN, JUN 30TH at 11 am in Room 9 for their end of program year party. All in grades 6-12 are welcome.

Our complete Church calendar can be viewed on our website www.bccucc.org or at <http://bccucc.view-events.com>

Thank you to everyone who came to donate blood at our recent blood drive. 15 donors came and 13 pints of blood were donated which will help save 39 lives. Special thanks to Barbara Wuth for arranging and overseeing our blood drives.

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.

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.

Help us stay visible on Facebook: For our church's Facebook page (www.facebook.com/bccucc) to keep showing up in people's newsfeeds and for it also to be seen by the wider community, there need to not only be 'Likes' but also comments of 5 or more words. So if you see something on our Fb Page that you like, **please both 'Like' AND comment.** Thanks.