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SUMMER CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

This covers 2 weeks and will be included in the bulletin on July 28th & Aug 4th, 2019

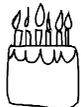
Summer office hours: OPEN Mon, Tues, Thurs 9:30 am – 1 pm; Wed 11 am – 1 pm; CLOSED Fridays

Sun, July 28, 2019	9:30 am 11 am	Worship Service for All Ages, Nursery Care only Blessing of the Pets, Fellowship Hall
Mon, July 29	7 – 8 pm	Mindful Monday, Meditation Room (Rm 8)
Tues, July 30	11 am Noon 7 pm	Staff meeting, Dale's office <i>Deadline for eBridge</i> 'What is our why?' team meeting, Room 6
Thurs, Aug 1	6 – 7:30 pm 6 pm	NAMI RI Family Support Group, Room 6 Softball game vs. St. Luke's, Bicknell Field
Fri, Aug 2		<i>Office Closed. Brendan on call for pastoral emergencies.</i>
Sun, Aug 4	9:30 am	Worship Service for All Ages with Communion, Nursery Care only
Tues, Aug 6	Noon 7 pm	<i>Deadline for Sunday Announcements</i> Vision 2020 Team meeting, Library
Thurs, Aug 8	6 pm	Softball Game vs Team Unaffiliated, Bicknell Field
Fri, Aug 9		<i>Office Closed. Dale on call for pastoral emergencies.</i>
Sat, Aug 10	2:45 pm	Volunteers leave for Soup Kitchen
Sun, Aug 11	9:30 am	Worship Service for All Ages, Nursery Care only

Birthdays for the Week of July 28th: *Matthew Bowman, Rob Bullard, Bonnie Parker, Maddie Peck, Lara Nicholson, Steve Thurston, and Andrea Bullard.*

Birthdays for the Week of August 4th: *Joshua Glass, and Reed Bullard.* 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.



Altar Flowers

- On July 28th the altar flowers are given by Rob, Helen, Holly and Ken in loving memory of their parents Bobby Earl and Heather MacQuattie Sugg; and are also given by Beth and William Buckley in celebration of God's love.
- On Aug 4th the altar flowers are given by Susan and Stephen Terhune in memory of Susan's parents, Maurice and Sally Smith.



DEACONS FOR SUMMER: Bernie Hawes (star), Chris Brady, Steve Fodor, Joe Judge, Pat Stoddard, 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!

Blessing of the Animals: Back by popular demand! On SUNDAY, JULY 28TH there will be a blessing of the animals in Fellowship Hall at 11 am. You are invited to go home after church and retrieve your animal companions and bring them back to Fellowship Hall for a blessing. Bring the whole zoo! God loves all of us, even those of us with four legs, no legs, wings, or fins! For safety's sake, if your pet could be harmed by another person's pet, or your pet could potentially harm others – including the minister - please bring your pet in an appropriate carrier. Thank you.

July Sermon Series: For the four weeks in July, Brendan is preaching on the themes of Don Miguel Ruiz's book, "The Four Agreements," which are, "To be impeccable with your word, not to take anything personally, not to make assumptions, and to always do your best." We hope that you will come and listen as together we explore these nuggets of wisdom, illustrated by stories in the Bible.

New sermon series in August! In August Dale will share a sermon series taking a fresh look at the 10 Commandments. What is the point of these old but telling laws? Are these 10 any more important than the other 603 commandments found in the Hebrew scriptures (Old Testament)? And what is their primary focus? God, us, or someone else? Come and explore these ancient commands and what relevance they hold for you today.

Clergy and staff away: Brendan will be on vacation MONDAY, AUGUST 5TH – SUNDAY, AUGUST 11TH and again from MONDAY, AUGUST 19TH through LABOR DAY. Andrea is on vacation THRU JULY 31ST and again from AUGUST 2ND – 11TH.

Altar flower donors needed: Celebrate birthdays, anniversaries or remember loved ones with flowers in the sanctuary. We have openings for donors to pay for one or two vases (\$30 each) on SUNDAYS, AUGUST 11TH & 25TH. Please be in touch with Chancel Team member Beth Buckley at 247-0324 or elizabethbuckley21@msn.com if interested. Thanks.

Summer Musicians wanted: If you play an instrument or sing and are interested in providing music during the offertory one Sunday morning this summer, please contact our organist/choir director Marina Zabinksi at 726-5118 or marina@bccucc.org. She is available to accompany you as needed. A signup calendar has been posted in the vestry so check out available dates, then sign up and contact Marina.

Our Summer Worship Schedule runs from through SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST. The services are for all ages and we hope you will join us on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. when you are able. Nursery Care is provided each week for children up to age 3.

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 provide humanitarian aid to families and children at the border: The 'Mission to Help the Children Committee' at Sts. Matthew and Mark Church has invited all of Barrington's houses of worship to join them in a drive the *last two weekends in July* to collect monetary donations to send to four non-profit organizations assisting people in need at the border. Our Mission & Justice Team hopes you will read the full announcement which describes the four groups, and consider making a donation. A link to the information was included in the latest eBridge, and copies are available from the table in the narthex and Fellowship Hall. If you wish to help, please make checks payable to the organization(s) you wish to support. There are collections boxes in the church and in Fellowship Hall. Thank you.

Mindful Monday will happen on MON, JULY 29TH from 7 – 8 pm in the Meditation Room, and then *not meet during August*. There's 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. All are welcome.

Community Office Hours will not happen during August. They will resume after Labor Day.

Come cheer on our team! BCCUCC's softball team has had 2 wins and 3 losses. Their next games are THURS, AUG 1ST vs St. Luke's and THURS, AUG 8TH vs Team Unaffiliated. All games begin at 6 pm at Bicknell Field located at the end of Walnut Road off Lincoln. The team is having lots of fun and they love spectators to cheer them on. Please stop by and support them if you can! The schedule for the 2019 Barrington Houses of Worship Softball League is on our website www.bccucc.org Printed copies are also available at the back of Fellowship Hall and on the rack outside the church office.

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, AUGUST 1ST from 6 – 7:30 pm in Room 6. For more info contact NAMI RI at info@namirhodeisland.org or call (401) 331-3060.

Do you have ideas for something you'd like to do or see happen at BCCUCC next year? Perhaps there's a ministry you'd like to start? Send your ideas to Dale at dale@bccucc.org or call him at 246-0111 x 103 *by Wednesday, July 31st*.

Calendar information needed: The staff will meet on Aug 13th to finalize plans for the 2019-2020 church calendar. In the meantime information is being added to the calendar as it comes in and we'd like to include dates for regular meetings, events and anything else that teams, groups or others are planning. Please send all info to Christine at office@bccucc.org *no later than Aug 5th* if it's to be considered at the planning meeting. The calendar can be viewed at <http://bccucc.view-events.com> but all info for 2019-2020 won't be final until late August after any conflicts and additional information has been added. Thank you for your help in putting together a cohesive and exciting schedule for our next church year together!

Good news from the McCoys: The 16 year old daughter flew to El Paso on July 20th and had a tearful reunion with her mother and two younger sisters! They are all hoping to fly to Providence on August 6th, and as Lory writes 'then the joyous work begins!' The family, who fled from Mexico, will be living with Lory and Charlie McCoy while they legally seek asylum in the US. The family will need a lot of assistance as they transition to RI. The McCoys are willing to provide for most of their needs, but are looking for any assistance in transportation, short term housing when the McCoys are away, being "on call" for the family's needs when Lory is at work, and help as they negotiate through the school system, the government offices, and the many human services agencies. They will also need clothing (size 12 for the 11 yr old, size 12-13 for the 13 yr old, and size medium for the mom, and for the 16 yr old junior size small for dresses/tops and size 0-2 for pants.) Monetary donations will also be needed for their many personal expenses (toiletries, cell phone fees, immigration fees, school supplies, computer for homework, possibly bicycles, etc.). If you would like to help or be involved in some way, please contact Lory at lsnadymccoy@gmail.com or 401-369-2341. Thank you.

Soup Kitchen: BCCUCC is next scheduled to do the Soup Kitchen in Pawtucket on SATURDAY, AUGUST 10TH. Anyone willing to help the team responsible this time (Deacons), should contact either deacon Joe Judge (247-5957 joejudgecpa@cox.net), or our Soup Kitchen Coordinator Diane Todd (245-4681 diane.todd15@gmail.com).

Book Group will meet TUES, AUG 20TH, at 7 pm in the church library. They will be discussing *Ordinary Grace* by William Kent Krueger: 'Looking back at a tragic event that occurred during his 13th year, Frank Drum explores how a complicated web of secrets, adultery, and betrayal shattered his Methodist family and their small 1961 Minnesota community.' 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 is WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28TH. 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). Thank you.

Loaves and Fishes needs drivers. We currently only have one driver for the truck and need more. No special license is needed to drive it. Please consider this opportunity to volunteer with this important outreach ministry. If interested, please contact Jay Buckley at pbuckley6@cox.net or (401) 578-6533.

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

From the River's Edge: The latest blog "What Happened at Synod 2019?" was written by Brendan. The blog can be read from the link on the home page of our church website www.bccucc.org and a link to the latest blog is included in each eBridge newsletter. Printed copies are put on the table at the back of Fellowship Hall once published.

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.

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.