



August 1, 2019

Newsletter of Barrington
Congregational Church
United Church of Christ

Calendar

Summer office hours:

Mon, Tues, Thurs 9:30 - 1 pm; Wed 11 am - 1 pm; Fri Closed.

Thurs, Aug 1

No Community Office Hours in August

6 pm Softball game vs St Luke's, Bicknell Field

6 - 7:30 pm NAMI RI Family Support Group, Room 6

Fri, Aug 2

Office Closed

Brendan on call for pastoral emergencies

Sun, Aug 4

9:30 am Worship Service for All Ages with Communion, Nursery Care only

Tues, Aug 6

11 am Staff meeting, Dale's office

Noon - Deadline for Announcements

7 pm Vision 2020 team meeting, Library

Thurs, Aug 8

6 pm Softball game vs Team Unaffiliated, Bicknell Field

Fri, Aug 9

Office Closed

Dale on call for pastoral emergencies

Sat, Aug 10

2:45 pm Volunteers leave for Soup Kitchen in Pawtucket

Sun, Aug 11

9:30 am Worship Service for All Ages, Nursery Care only

Tues, Aug 13

Office Closed

9:30 am - 3:30 pm Staff Calendar Planning Meeting, Library

Noon - Deadline for eBridge

Thurs, Aug 15

6 pm Softball game vs Temple Habonim, Bicknell Field



Fri, Aug 16
Office Closed
Brendan on call for pastoral emergencies

Sun, Aug 18
9:30 am Worship Service for All Ages, Nursery Care only

For the complete church calendar visit <http://bccucc.view-events.com>
Send calendar information to office@bccucc.org

Send information for inclusion in the next eBridge to office@bccucc.org
Deadline for the next eBridge is Noon on **Tuesday, Aug 13th.**

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Happening in the next few days.....

Softball games - come cheer on our team!

At the time of writing BCCUCC's softball team has had 2 wins and 3 losses. Their next games are **Thurs, Aug 1st** vs St. Luke's, **Thurs Aug 8th** vs Team Unaffiliated, and **Thurs, Aug 15th** vs Temple Habonim. All games begin at 6 pm at [Bicknell Field](#) located at the end of Walnut Road off Lincoln. Despite recent losses, the team is having lots of fun and they love spectators to cheer them on. Please stop by and support them if you can! [2019 Softball Schedule](#)
If you're interested in playing on the BCCUCC team, [learn more here.](#)

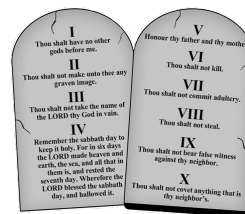


NAMI RI Family Support Group

[NAMI RI](#) (*National Alliance on Mental Illness*) holds a monthly support group at our church for family members of people with mental illness. Open to anyone in the community, they meet the first Thursday of the month from 6 – 7:30 pm in Room 6. Next meeting is **Thursday, August 1st**. For more info contact info@namirhodeisland.org or call (401) 331-3060.

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.



Attention all team and church group leaders etc!

If you haven't yet sent calendar information to Christine for 2019-2020 please do so a.s.a.p. The staff are getting together on August 13th to work on the church calendar for the upcoming year, and we'd like to include the dates for the various meetings/events or anything else that you are planning.

Please send all info to office@bccucc.org by **Aug 5th or a.s.a.p. thereafter** 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!

Opportunities to help

Soup Kitchen

Our church 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 (499-7573 joejudgecpa@cox.net), or our Soup Kitchen Coordinator Diane Todd (245-4681 diane.todd15@gmail.com).



Loaves and Fishes Truck Run

Our next Loaves and Fishes RI truck run from BCCUCC is on **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 for how you can help. Prep starts in

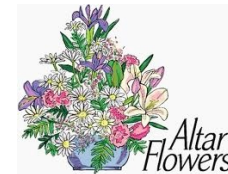
the kitchen around 4:30 pm to prepare food and load the truck. All ages are welcome to help with food prep, but those going out on the truck must be at least age 16. For more information, questions, or if you are unable to sign up on line to donate items or help with prep etc, please contact Liz White (401-245-0285 or lizzyw2@aol.com) or Phyllis Buckley (401-742-7320 or pbuckley6@cox.net). Thank you.

If you're interested in being a driver sometime, please contact Jay Buckley at pbuckley6@cox.net or (401) 578-6533.



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 both vases (\$30 each) on **Sunday, August 25th**. Please be in touch with Chancel Team member Beth Buckley at 247-0324 or elizabethbuckley21@msn.com if interested. Thanks.



Latest update from the McCoys - the family will soon be in RI!

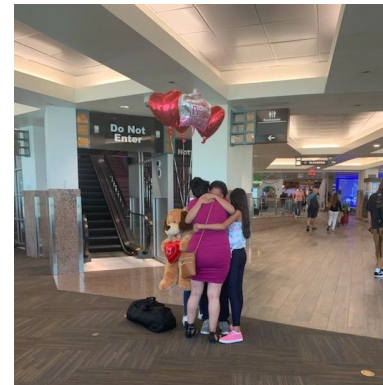
Lory and Charlie McCoy will soon be welcoming to their home a woman and her three daughters from Mexico who are legally seeking asylum in the US. Below is the latest update from Lory.

The 16 year old daughter flew from Florida to El Paso on July 20th and had a tearful reunion with her mother and two younger sisters (see photo). The McCoys are hoping to fly the four of them to Providence on August 6th, and as Lory writes "then the joyous work begins!"

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 additional assistance from the congregation.

[Learn about what's needed.](#)

To help or be involved in some way, please contact Lory at lsnadmccoy@gmail.com or 401-369-2341. Thank you.



Groups meeting in August

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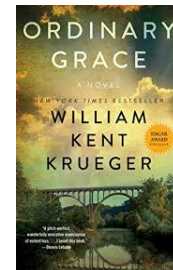
Autism Support Group for Young Adults

A Support Group for Young Adults (ages 18 – 30) with Asperger's or Autism meets at our church on the 1st Wednesday of the month. Their next meeting will be **Wednesday, August 7th**, from 4 – 5 pm in Room 6. Anyone interested in joining should contact Nicco Palmisano at (401) 280-0462.



Book Group

Book Group next meets **Tuesday, August 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 thirteenth 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 information about the group, please contact Helen Schall at helenschall@hotmail.com or 245-4724. All are welcome!



The following groups will start up again after Labor Day

- Bereavement Group
- Community Office Hours
- East Bay Kids Clothing and Toy Swap
- Knitting for Others
- Mindful Mondays
- Women's Faith Group



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From the River's Edge



What Does God Want?



What does God want from you?

by Rev. Dale Azevedo, Sr. Minister - August 1, 2019 There is something about being on vacation that makes me ponder the future. I ask myself things like "What will next year be like?" or "What do I want to be doing in five years? Or 10 years?"

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If you missed reading any earlier posts you can find them all on the church website [at this link](#). There are also links to the most recent ones from the homepage of our church website www.bccucc.org

Summer at BCCUCC!

Clergy and staff away

Rev. Brendan Curran will be on vacation from **Aug 5 - 11** and **Aug 17 - Sep 2**.
Andrea Bullard will be away **Aug 3 - 11** and **Aug 15 - 21**.

Summer Worship is at 9:30 a.m.

During the summer thru Labor Day weekend, our Sunday service is at **9:30 a.m.** in the sanctuary. Nursery Care is provided every Sunday for infants and children up to age 3. We hope you will come and worship with us when you are in town.



Summer Musicians Wanted

If you play an instrument or sing and are interested in providing music during the offertory one Sunday morning, please contact our organist/choir director Marina Zabinski 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.



We're on Summer Office Hours!

Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 9:30 am - 1 pm
Wednesday 11 am - 1 pm. Friday Closed

*Note: The office will be closed on **Tues, Aug 13th** for staff calendar planning day.*

Summer Deadlines for Announcements and eBridge

Due to shorter office hours the deadline for receiving information for inclusion in the eBridge and the Sunday Announcements is **Noon on the Tuesday prior to publication.**

Deadline for the Aug 11 & 18 Announcements is *Noon on Tues, Aug 6.* Deadline for the next eBridge is *Noon on Tues, Aug 13.* Thank you.



Reminders

Tablecloths

Thank you to the coffee hours hosts who take home and launder the tablecloths used on Sundays. Please be sure to return them as soon as possible so that there are enough each week. Please put them in the correctly labeled container, to make it easier to find the right sized tablecloth next time! Thank you.

Playground gates - please leave open after using playground

The playground gates should be left open, except when children are using the playground. That way anyone with limited mobility needing access to the CE building using the Riverwalk can do so more easily. Thank you.

Church Calendar is available anytime on-line.

The church calendar is kept up to date and you can find it at <http://bccucc.view-events.com> If you have any meetings or activities planned, please send them to office@bccucc.org so that they can be added to the calendar. Also please notify the office or any errors or changes. Thank you.

Sermons available on line

If you miss church on Sunday or want to hear the sermon again, you can do so at the following link [Sermon Archive](#).



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Pat pat@bccucc.org Andrea andrea@bccucc.org.

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From the church office

Do you need a nametag?

Wearing a nametag helps everyone get to know each other, and is also welcoming to newcomers. Please wear your nametag for worship and coffee hour on Sundays. If you need a nametag you can sign up for one in the vestry hallway or at the Welcome Table in Fellowship Hall or [email](#) the church office. Newly made nametags are placed in the specially labeled basket on the sideboard in the vestry hallway for you to pick up on a Sunday morning.



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