



**October 11, 2018**

Newsletter of Barrington  
Congregational Church  
United Church of Christ

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## Calendar

### **Thurs, Oct 11**

3 - 5 pm Community Office Hours, The Coffee Depot in Warren  
7 pm A Service of Healing Honoring Survivors of Sexual Assault, Sanctuary

### **Fri, Oct 12**

*Brendan on call for pastoral emergencies*  
6 pm Deacons Potluck and Retreat, Ashley's home  
6:30 - 9 pm RICUCC 'Youth Music and More!', Seekonk UCC

### **Sat, Oct 13**

9:30 - 11 am Volunteers prepare for Kids Clothes Swap, Fellowship Hall

### **Sun, Oct 14 Justice Sunday**

*Neighbors in Need Offering*  
9 am - 12:15 pm OWL Session, Library  
10 am Worship Service with Installation of Deacons, Church School  
5 - 7 pm Youth Group meeting, Room 9

### **Mon, Oct 15**

11 am Bereavement Group, Library  
11 am Lay Visitation meeting, Room 6  
6 - 8 pm Feasting at Fireside, Parsonage  
7 pm Buildings and Grounds meeting, Library  
7 - 8 pm Mindful Monday, Meditation Room (Room 8)

### **Tues, Oct 16**

11 am Staff meeting  
7-8:15 pm Adult Ed Study with Dale "The Jesus Diaries", Library

### **Wed, Oct 17**

2 pm Communion Service at Atria Senior Living  
7:30 - 8:15 pm Christmas Cantata Rehearsal, Vestry  
8:15 - 9 pm Remainder of Choir rehearsal, Vestry

### **Thurs, Oct 18**

1:30 - 3 pm Women's Faith Group, Library  
3 - 5 pm Community Office Hours with Brendan, The Coffee Depot in Warren

6:30 pm Membership Team meeting, Room 6  
7 pm Deacons meeting, Library

**Fri, Oct 19**

*Brendan on call for pastoral emergencies*

**Sat, Oct 20**

9:30 - 11:30 am East Bay Kids Clothes Swap, Fellowship Hall

**Sun, Oct 21 Laity Sunday**

8:30 am CEYM meeting, Library

10 am Worship Service, Church School

11:30 am - 1:30 pm Confirmation Class, Room 9

**Mon, Oct 22**

7 - 8 pm Mindful Monday, Meditation Room (Room 8)

**Tues, Oct 23**

11 am Staff meeting

7-8:15 pm Adult Ed Study with Dale "The Jesus Diaries", Library

**Wed, Oct 24**

*Noon Deadline for the next eBridge*

4:30 pm Prep begins for Loaves and Fishes truck run, Kitchen

4:30 - 6 pm Youth Group helps with Loaves and Fishes

7:30 - 8:15 pm Christmas Cantata Rehearsal, Vestry

8:15 - 9 pm Remainder of Choir rehearsal, Vestry

**Thurs, Oct 25**

3 - 5 pm Community Office Hours, The Coffee Depot in Warren

**Fri, Oct 26**

*Dale on call for pastoral emergencies*

**Sun, Oct 28 A Day of Healing**

9 - 11:15 am OWL Session, Library

10 am Worship Service, Church School

11:15 am Trunk or Treat in Parking Lot

Noon - 1 pm Youth Bereavement meeting (Library)

For the complete church calendar visit <http://bccucc.view-events.com>

Send calendar information to [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org)

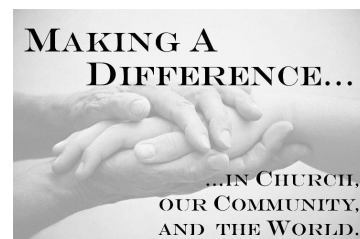
The deadline for information to be included in the next eBridge is  
**Wednesday, October 24th** at Noon. Send info to [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org)

Forward the eBridge to a friend and invite them to [join our email list](#)

## A letter from the Moderator

### BCCUCC is making a difference!

This fall, we are celebrating how our church is making a difference in our congregation, our community, and the world. Because of BCCUCC, less people go hungry each week. Because of BCCUCC, your friends, family, and even strangers are finding healing and support. Because of BCCUCC, local and state leaders are reminded of God's call to justice and mercy for the most vulnerable of God's children, our neighbors. None of



these events happen without the support of our members and friends. None of this happens without you making it happen.

In late October, we will hear some of these personal stories in worship. We hope to continue to tell these stories throughout the year. All of this is building up to.....

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## Thurs, Oct 11 - Sat, Oct 13

### A Service of Healing Honoring Survivors of Sexual Assault

**Thursday, October 11th** at 7 pm in the sanctuary of Barrington Congregational Church, UCC. During this time when perpetrators of sexual assault are too often not held accountable for their actions, and survivors are silenced or alienated, we invite all to this healing space to share our grief, anger and hope, with one another and God.



### RICUCC Autumn Youth Event

Youth in grades 6-12 are invited to attend 'Youth Music and More' on **Friday, October 12th** from 6:30 - 9 pm at Seekonk Congregational Church, 600 Fall River Ave, Seekonk MA. Fee is \$5. There will be pizza, a melted crayon pumpkin project, a youth concert, and a speaker on teen anxiety and stress. *RSVP by Oct 8th* to Kristen Putney 997-991-1555 or [mitchmoon12@hotmail.com](mailto:mitchmoon12@hotmail.com)

### Don't miss these deadlines to sign up.....

The Adult Study sessions "The Jesus Diaries", led by Dale, begin on Tues, Oct 16th. ***Those wishing to participate should sign up by Thursday, October 11th.*** See later in this eBridge for more details.

Dale and Elizabeth Azevedo are hosting another 'Feasting at Fireside' dinner for six at the parsonage on Mon, Oct 15th. There is still space available - sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0d4eaba823a6f85-feasting> a.s.a.p. - and no later than Sunday! See later in this eBridge for more details.

## Sunday, October 14th

### Neighbors in Need collection is this Sunday!

Neighbors in Need (NIN) is a special offering of our denomination, the United Church of Christ, that supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the US. One third of the NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry and two thirds of this offering funds projects to UCC churches and organizations doing justice work in their communities. This year's grants will give special consideration to projects focusing on serving our immigrant neighbors and communities. More information at [www.ucc.org/nin](http://www.ucc.org/nin) where you can also make an online donation. Special donation envelopes will be included in the bulletin on **October 14th**. Checks should be made payable to 'BCCUCC and mark the memo line 'NIN'. Thank you for your generous support.



### Youth Group meeting



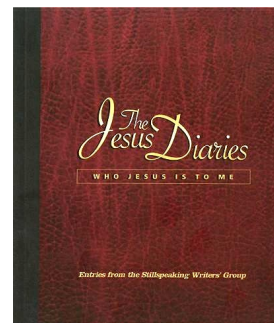
The youth group will have their first gathering meeting on **Sunday, October 14th** from **5 - 7 pm** in Room 9. All youth in Grades 6-12 are invited. Junior and Senior Youth will break into groups at the meeting. Pizza will be provided. For more information, contact Brendan [brendan@bccucc.org](mailto:brendan@bccucc.org) or 318-2447.



## Happening next week!

### Adult Faith Study with Dale

**"The Jesus Diaries: Who Jesus Is to Me."** When is the last time you talked about Jesus and what you really believe about him? Do you even know who Jesus is to you? In this study we will read nine "diaries" from writers of the Stillspeaking Writers Group who will share with us some of the intimacies of their understandings of Jesus in an accessible way. We will discuss these different personal relationships with Jesus and what they may mean to us. We will also spend some time discovering and discussing our own understandings of this man-God. The study meets for **four (4) Tuesday evenings** from **October 16th - November 6th** from 7:00-8:15 pm in the BCCUCC Library. Come and join Dale for this interesting discussion. Register for this class at the church office [office@bccucc.org](mailto:office@bccucc.org) or 246-0111 **by Thursday, October 11th.**



### Feasting at Fireside

Elizabeth and Dale Azevedo have added six additional dates through May 2019, when they will be hosting dinners for 6 at the parsonage. The first will be on **Monday, October 15th** from 6 – 8 pm. Members and friends of the church are invited. Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0d4eaba823a6f85-feasting> for one of the dates that works for you, or contact the church office 246-0111 if you are unable to sign up online.



### East Bay Kids Clothes Swap

The East Bay Kids Clothes Swap is a place to trade in clean (non-stained) clothes and shoes, and get clothes the next size up! Ages newborn to 12 years old. Give what you can, take what you need! It's a great community resource, a place for parents and kids to meet up, and a way to reduce waste. It will be located here in Fellowship Hall of Barrington Congregational Church, UCC and will take place every 3rd Saturday of the month, from 9:30 am-11:30 am starting **Saturday, October 20th**. \$3-\$5 donation at the door to cover space rental and expenses, but no one turned away. To find out more information, go to <https://www.facebook.com/EastBayKidsClothesSwap> If you have clothes to contribute, please email [rikidswap@gmail.com](mailto:rikidswap@gmail.com) or call Megan Sheehan from our congregation at 401-396-6430.

# East Bay Kids Clothes Swap!

9:30-11:30am, starting October 20th, 3rd Saturday of each month

Barrington Congregational Church 461 County Road, Barrington RI



Have clothes to contribute? Interested in volunteering?

✉ [RIkidswap@gmail.com](mailto:RIkidswap@gmail.com)

Trade clean kids clothes, newborn -12 yo



## New in this eBridge!

### October is National Bullying Prevention Month

The Mission and Justice Team supports the Barrington School District in its observance of National Bullying Prevention Month this October. Some helpful websites are <https://www.stompoutbullying.org/campaigns/national-bullying-prevention-awareness-month> and <https://www.pacer.org/bullying/nbpm/unity-day.asp>



### Loaves and Fishes RI Truck Run

We will be taking out the Loaves and Fishes RI truck to Trinity Methodist Church and Crossroads in Providence on **Wednesday, October 24th**. 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 we ask that those going out on the truck be at least age 16. Donations of specific food and clothing items are requested. To volunteer to donate items, help with prep or go out on the truck visit <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050a4aaca2aa75-mobile3>. Please remember to indicate the quantity of a food item you are able to donate. 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](mailto:lizzyw2@aol.com)) or Phyllis Buckley (401-742-7320 or [pbuckley6@cox.net](mailto:pbuckley6@cox.net)). If you are interested in helping with shopping or being a driver please contact one of them at the links above. Thank you for your continuing supporting of this outreach ministry.



### 3rd Annual Trunk-or-Treat....and you can come to church in costume!

On **Sunday morning, October 28th**, we will trick or treat each other's car trunks in the church parking lot in the spaces along the tree line during coffee hour. All are invited to wear a costume to church that day! You are also invited to decorate the trunk of your car for Halloween and fill it with candy for trunk-or-treaters! We always have lots of fun so we hope you will join us. Use Google to find some great decorating ideas!





## Heroes of Faith Breakfast

RISCC Heroes of Faith Breakfast takes place on **Thursday, November 1st** at 7:30 am at Rhodes on the Pawtuxet, Cranston. Heroes of Faith is the largest fundraiser for the Rhode Island State Council of Churches (RISCC), and it is also their largest event that brings TOGETHER all kinds of people from all kinds of faith traditions and community advocacy groups to honor and celebrate Heroes of Faith in our Community.

Get Tickets NOW , register [HERE](#)

Time to Name your Partners in Faith (PIF) [HERE](#) (deadline is Oct 12th)

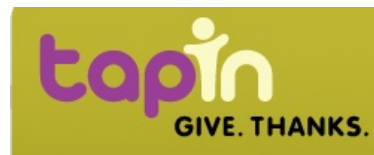
Full information on the Heroes of Faith [HERE](#)

## RICUCC Autumnal Meeting

RICUCC Autumnal Meeting takes place **Saturday, November 3rd** from 7:30 am – 2 pm at First Congregational Church, UCC, 300 High St., Bristol. Delegates from our church are reminded that they need to **register by Sat, Oct 27th**. Visitors are invited to attend and they also need to register. All the details about the meeting, including the call, agenda, and [registration link](#) are in the [registration packet](#).

## TAPIN Thanksgiving Food Collection

Once again we are joining with other churches in town to help provide the food that is given away to those in need in the TAPIN Thanksgiving Food bags. Our congregation is asked to provide **Instant Mashed Potatoes, Brownie Mix, and Stuffing Mix**. (Please note that TAPIN is not allowed to split up large boxes of these items purchased from BJ's etc – they can only give out the regular sized boxes.) TAPIN helps about 450 families in the East Bay area each Thanksgiving so lots is needed! Food donations may be placed in the bins in the narthex (on your way into church) or in the bin at the back of Fellowship Hall. TAPIN also accepts cash donations for the purchase of gift cards which they can buy in bulk at a discount. Anyone wishing to make a cash donation should make the check payable to 'BCCUCC' and put 'TAPIN' in the memo line. Thank you. **Deadline for all donations is Sunday, November 4.**



## 2019 Mission/Service Trip

We will be offering a MINI mission/service trip this year for high school youth from April 14th-18th, 2019 during the Barrington High School April vacation week.

There will be an **Orientation Meeting** for this project on **Sunday, November 25th** at 11:30 am in Room 9. One parent is asked to attend the orientation with their 9th-12th grader. This is an informational meeting. Contact Brendan with any questions or concerns or to rsvp. [brendan@bccucc.org](mailto:brendan@bccucc.org)

## Your Help is Needed

### A way to help those affected by recent hurricanes

Help the UCC respond to hurricane damages by making a donation to UCC Disaster Ministries. Learn more and make an online donation by clicking on [this link](#) from our church website. Or visit [www.ucc.org/disaster](http://www.ucc.org/disaster). 100% of UCC disaster relief funds are used for direct service to individuals and communities, and rehabilitation programming.

### Calling all singers to join in a Christmas Cantata

Christmas Cantata rehearsals have begun! The vocal choir, along

with several instrumentalists, will present a Christmas Cantata during worship on Sunday, December 16th [Joy! A Gospel Christmas Celebration, by Joel Raney]. You can hear the piece via this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wsfw83UfpFY>.

Anyone that would like to join the choir for this particular piece is invited to attend a portion of choir rehearsal **every Wednesday from 7:30-8:15 pm** when we will practice the cantata. The choir will prepare their other pieces after the cantata practice is complete. All are welcome!



## Volunteers needed to help with Church School

We don't need a long-term commitment, just your willingness to teach or assist in one of the classrooms for a few Sundays during the program year. We provide all the information and resources you'll need to enjoy the experience and grow in faith. For more information or to volunteer, speak with or contact our Christian Education Coordinator, Andrea Bullard at [andrea@bccucc.org](mailto:andrea@bccucc.org) or 246-0111 x 107.

### CHURCH SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



## Save your baby food jars

Andrea needs the small baby food jars for a church school project later this year. Please start saving them to give to her. Thanks.

## Would you share your story?

Susan Catherine Collyer is a Barrington resident and artist looking to share stories of faith. She recently produced an original play entitled, "Reflections in Rhode Island," celebrating 100 years of stories from seniors living in the East Bay. She is looking to do something similar revolving around peoples' experiences of faith. Are there points in your life when you felt an experience of Someone or Something Greater? These can be stories of miracles, magic or the mundane. Susan would like to interview people of different faiths and no faith to create an original theatrical piece to help break down walls of division and separation. If you are interested or would like more information you can contact Dale at the church office (246-0111) or Susan directly at [rhodeisland.reflections@aol.com](mailto:rhodeisland.reflections@aol.com) **by November 1st.**

## Also happening in October

### Healing Connections - building a community of support for youth experiencing grief and loss.

Adults are not the only people who experience grief and loss! Youth do too but might not have spaces where they can address their grief and be supported by others going through similar experiences. Using group circle process, we will create a space together for youth of all faith backgrounds and perspectives to have a community of support to cope with grief and loss. In a **meeting on Sunday, October 28th from 12-1 pm**, participants will have an opportunity to get to know each other and share stories. During the **mini-retreat on Sunday, November 4th from 1-4 pm** participants will explore ritual arts and creative practices for processing significant losses and honoring the memories of their loved ones. Meetings will take place in rooms 8 and 9 of the education building. If you are interested in participating or have any questions, contact facilitators Brendan Curran [brendan@bccucc.org](mailto:brendan@bccucc.org) (401-318-2447) and/or Betsy Brenner [jsbeeb@aol.com](mailto:jsbeeb@aol.com) (401-323-6320).



# Ongoing Groups and Activities (listed alphabetically)

## Bereavement Group

The group meets on **Monday, October 15th & 29th** at 11 am in the library. The group is open to anyone who has lost a loved one at any time, and is open to the community. For more info, contact the facilitator, Betsy Brenner at [jsbeeb@aol.com](mailto:jsbeeb@aol.com) or 245-8031.

## Book Group

Next meets at the Coffee Depot, 501 Main Street, Warren, on **Tuesday, October 30th** at 11:30 am, to discuss *Blood Brothers: The Story of the Strange Friendship between Sitting Bull and Buffalo Bill* by Deanne Stillman. For more information about the group contact Helen Schall [helenschall@hotmail.com](mailto:helenschall@hotmail.com) or 245-4724. All are welcome!

## Community Office Hours

Community Office Hours are held every **Thursday afternoon** from **3–5 pm** at [The Coffee Depot](#), 501 Main Street, Warren. Anyone from the church or community is welcome to stop by and chat with Brendan in this more informal setting. All are welcome.



## Knitting for Others Group

The group next meets on **Tuesday, November 6th** from 7-9 pm, at the home of Barbara Wuth, 3 Fireside Drive, Barrington. The group meets monthly, makes a variety of different items to be given away (prayer shawls, preemie hats, etc), and can provide patterns and help. All knitters/crocheters are welcome, especially new faces! Please contact Barbara if you plan to attend so she can set up enough chairs ([bwuth54@gmail.com](mailto:bwuth54@gmail.com)). To learn more about the group, contact Mary Lou Slicker 245-0085 [rislick@fullchannel.net](mailto:rislick@fullchannel.net).

## Memory Impairment Support Group now meets elsewhere

The group no longer meets at the church but instead meets at Tockwotton, 500 Waterfront Drive, E. Providence. Led by Jim McCartney, they will continue to meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month from 1-2:30 pm. The group is open to patients and caregivers. For more information please contact Jim McCartney 401 529-5259 or [jrmcc@fullchannel.net](mailto:jrmcc@fullchannel.net)

## Mindful Mondays

Mindful Mondays with Brendan are from 7 - 8 pm in the Meditation Room. They are ongoing, except on Mondays when the office is closed. The hour consists of a 20 - 25 minute guided meditation, a contemplative reading or poem, followed by tea and discussion. The sessions are designed to be inclusive for people of all faiths and are open to the public. All are welcome.



## 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 the next meeting is **Thursday, November 1st** from 6 – 7:30 pm in Room



6. For more info contact [info@namirhodeisland.org](mailto:info@namirhodeisland.org) or call (401) 331-3060.

## Women's Faith Group

The group meets the 1st & 3rd Thursdays from 1:30 – 3 pm in the church library beginning **Thursday, October 18th**. The group welcomes women of all ages from BCCUCC as well as from other churches and faith traditions. They will begin reading Parker Palmer's new book *On the Brink of Everything: Grace Gravity and Getting Old*. Copies of the book are available for purchase from the church office at the discounted price of \$16 each. For more information contact Jane Tonn at 289-2349 or [jtonn2@cox.net](mailto:jtonn2@cox.net)

## 'From the River's Edge' - The Pastors' Blog



### 69 Stones & 28 Hymns

by Rev. Dale Azevedo, Sr. Minister - October 1, 2018 We started our program year off with two pretty cool worship services. Our first service, on Sept. 2, was technically still during our summer schedule, but it was cool nonetheless. We called it ...

[Read more](#)

[www.bccucc.org](http://www.bccucc.org)



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](http://www.bccucc.org)

## Community News

### 1st Annual Swing Dance to benefit the Y

**Saturday, October 27th** from 7 - 10:30 pm at RI Country Club.  
Tickets are \$35. Proceeds will benefit the Bayside Family YMCA.  
[Details.](#) [Purchase tickets](#)



### Self-Defense Class for Women

Barrington Police Department will be hosting a 'RAD for Women' self-defense class on **November 5, 7, 8, & 9** at the Barrington High School from 5:30-8:30 pm each night. *Participation is required all 4*

## From the church office

### Help us keep the Riverwalk accessible

The playground gates should be left open, except when children are using the playground. That way anyone with limited mobility needing to access the CE building using the Riverwalk can do so without struggling to open the gates. Thank you.

### 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.



### 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](mailto:office@bccucc.org) so that they can be added to the calendar. Also please notify the office of 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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