



June 6, 2019

Newsletter of Barrington
Congregational Church
United Church of Christ

Calendar

Office open Mon - Fri, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm & 1:30 - 4:30 pm, unless otherwise noted

Thurs, Jun 6

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

Fri, Jun 7

Brendan on call for pastoral emergencies

6 pm Deacons Cookout, Stephanie Edwards' home

Sun, Jun 9 Baccalaureate Sunday

Strengthen the Church offering

10 am Worship Service with Recognition of High School Graduates and Awarding of KLF Scholarships, Class on the Grass

After Worship: Annual Meeting, Sanctuary

Mon, Jun 10

7 - 8 pm Mindful Monday, Meditation Room

7 pm Buildings and Grounds meeting, Room 6

Tues, Jun 11

11 am Staff meeting, Dale's office

7 pm Church Council meeting, Room 6

Thurs, Jun 13

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

Fri, Jun 14

Brendan on call for pastoral emergencies

Sat, Jun 15

9:30 - 11:30 am East bay Kids Clothes and Toy Swap, Fellowship Hall

Sun, Jun 16 You Can't Do It Alone Sunday

10 am Worship Service, Class on the Grass

Start of Summer office hours:

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

Mon, Jun 17

11 am - Lay Visitation meeting, Library

6 pm Peace Walk Potluck Dinner and Program, Fellowship Hall

6 pm Softball game vs St. Luke's, Bicknell Field
7 - 8 pm Mindful Monday, Meditation Room

Tues, Jun 18

11 am Staff Meeting, Dale's office
11 am Bereavement Group, Library
11:30 am Book Group, The Coffee Depot

Wed, Jun 19

Noon *Deadline for eBridge*
1:30 pm Communion Service at Atria Senior Living (*note the earlier time*)

Thurs, Jun 20

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

Fri, Jun 21

Office Closed
Dale on call for pastoral emergencies

Sun, Jun 23 Health Sunday

10 am Worship Service, Class on the Grass

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

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

Be sure you get to see ALL of the eBridge. Some platforms - including gmail - only show part of it with a link to the remainder.

This weekend at BCCUCC

National Gun Violence Awareness

In recognition and support, the front of the church will once again be lit up in orange for the weekend of **June 7 - 9**. 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 and bumpstocks. [More info](#)



Baccalaureate Sunday

We will be recognizing our high school seniors at our **Baccalaureate Sunday** worship service at 10 a.m. **this Sunday, June 9th**. We hope that you will be able to join us as we celebrate this milestone in their lives. The Kathleen Lynne Fodor Scholarships will also be awarded at the service.



Class on the Grass

Church School classes are continuing with the multi-age 'Class on the Grass' 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 hear a Bible story, do an activity or art project, and have a snack out on the playground (weather permitting) or inside if weather is



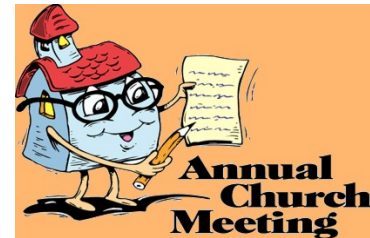
inclement.

Strengthen the Church Offering

This UCC offering will be taken **this Sunday, June 9th**. It supports the expansion of ministry and growth of UCC local congregations and in the past was split 50/50 between the national UCC and the local RI Conference UCC. This year, 90% of the offering will go to RICUCC and be earmarked for Youth@Synod and scholarships to the 2020 National Youth Event. [Learn more](#). The remaining 10% will be shared with the national settings 'Strengthen the Church' initiatives. Please make checks payable to 'BCCUCC' and mark the memo line "STC". Thank you.

Church Annual Meeting is this Sunday, June 9th

Our church's Annual Meeting will take place **this 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. The warrant with the agenda is below.



Warrant for the ANNUAL Meeting of Barrington Congregational Church, Barrington, Rhode Island

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

2019 Annual Report

The [2019 Annual Report](#) for our church was published last week and emailed to the congregation. Printed copies are also available for pick up at church for those without computer access. You can read it at the link above.



There are still vacancies needing to be filled!

The [slate of nominees](#) for church officers and ministry teams will be voted on at the Annual Meeting this Sunday. However, there are still a number of vacancies that need to be filled including the position of Clerk. Please prayerfully consider if you are being called to fill one of the openings. While we prefer that you sign up for a 2 year term we understand if you can only sign up for 1 year. Plus, most teams meet only once a month, or even less!



[At this link](#) is an updated document with a list of the ministry teams, a brief summary of what they do, and all of the openings beginning July 2019. Please take a look, and contact eazevedo17@gmail.com with questions or to volunteer.

Nominations from the floor will also be accepted at the Annual Meeting on Sunday.

Learn about UCC General Synod 2019

Brendan will be attending the 2019 General Synod of the United Church of Christ as part of his work with the

Next Generation Leadership Initiative. He will be offering a showing of a video about General Synod during coffee hour in Fellowship Hall **this Sunday, June 9th** after the Annual Meeting. All who wish to learn about General Synod and what makes us the United Church of Christ are invited to enjoy this brief video with Brendan!



Attention Graduates!

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 the names and graduation information in our newsletter. Due to a rather slow response so far, we'll be publishing the information in our next eBridge!

If you or a family member graduated this spring, please send the information to the church office at office@bccucc.org by *Sunday, June 16th*. Information needed is name of graduate, high school or college from which they're graduating, what college or further education they will be attending, or what degree they are getting, and any future plans if appropriate. Thanks to those who have already submitted information.



Happening in June

Want to play co-ed softball this summer?

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 starts **June 17th** and games are played Mondays, Tuesdays or Thursdays beginning 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. [2019 Softball Schedule](#) BCCUCC's first games are **Mon, Jun 17th** vs St Luke's, and **Mon, Jun 24th** vs Team Unaffiliated. Spectators are encouraged to come cheer on our team!



Listening to the Call of the Great Spirit: Potluck and program

You are invited to join the Mission and Justice Team on **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. For more information on this community dinner, contact Helen Schall at helenschall@hotmail.com.



Summer Office Hours begin June 17

Monday 9:30 am - 1 pm

Tuesday 9:30 am - 1 pm
Wednesday 11 am - 1 pm
Thursday 9:30 am - 1 pm
Friday Closed



Summer Worship at 9:30 a.m. begins June 30

Beginning **Sunday, June 30th**, and running through Labor Day weekend, our Sunday service will be at **9:30 a.m.** in the sanctuary. We hope you will come and worship with us when you are in town.



Clergy away

Rev. Brendan Curran will be out of the office from **Thurs, June 20 thru Wed, June 26**. He will be attending the Next Generation Leaders Initiative (NGLI) and the 2019 UCC General Synod.

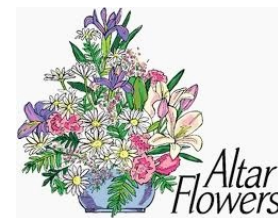
Loaves and Fishes RI truck run

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/8050a4aaca2aa75-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).



Altar flower donor needed

The flowers on the altar each Sunday are provided by The Greenery florist in Warren but are paid for by donors (payment is sent to the church). The flowers can be given in memory, celebration or thanksgiving for a person or event, and a dedication is included in the bulletin. A donor is needed to pay for 1 vase of flowers (\$30) on **Sunday, June 30th**. If interested, please contact Liz Rosenholm of our Chancel Team at lizzozier@fullchannel.net or 245-9098. Thank you.



You can help us stay visible on Facebook by 'Liking' and Commenting on our posts

Our PR Consultant, Courtney, has let us know that the way Facebook algorithms work, for our page to keep showing up in people's newsfeeds and for it also to be seen by the wider community, there needs to not only be 'Likes' but also comments of 5 or more words. So if you see something on our Facebook Page that you like, please both 'like' it and if possible, also make a comment of at least 5 words. That way Facebook knows that people are interested in seeing our posts and will include it in more people's newsfeeds. Also feel free to 'share' any of our posts – which also lets Facebook know people are interested in what we're doing. Thank you. If you haven't yet 'Liked' our church's Facebook page you can find us at www.facebook.com/bccucc.



Regular happenings (listed alphabetically)

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. However, their next meeting will be **Wednesday, July 10th** (*the 2nd Wednesday*), from 4 – 5 pm in Room 6. Anyone interested in joining should contact Nicco Palmisano at (401) 280-0462.

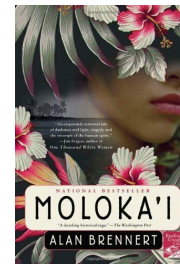


Bereavement Group

The group will meet in the library on **Tuesday** (*note the change in day*) **June 18th** at 11 am. The group is open to anyone in the community who has lost a loved one at any time. For more info, contact the facilitator, Betsy Brenner at jsbeeb@aol.com or 245-8031. The group will then take a break over the summer and reconvene in the fall.

Book Group

Book Group next meets **Tuesday, June 18th** at 11:30 am at the Coffee Depot, 501 Main St, Warren, to discuss *Moloka'i* by Alan Brennert: "Compellingly original in its conceit, 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 information about the group, please contact Helen Schall at helenschall@hotmail.com or 245-4724. All are welcome!



Community Office Hours

They happen **Thursdays** from 3 - 5 pm at The Coffee Depot, 501 Main Street, Warren (unless otherwise noted). Community Office Hours are for anyone in the church or community who would like to stop by and visit with Brendan in this more informal setting. All are welcome. *Note: On Thurs, June 20th, Dale will host as Brendan will be away at General Synod.*



East Bay Kids Clothes and Toy Swap

Held on the 3rd Saturday of each month, the next one is **Sat, June 15th** from 9:30 - 11:30 am in Fellowship Hall. Trade in your clean clothes, shoes and gently used toys, and get new (to you) clothes, shoes and toys! Size newborn to 12 years old. (No carseats please). Give what you can, take what you need! \$3 - \$5 donation at the door but no-one turned away. Open to the community. Learn more at <https://www.facebook.com/EastBayKidsClothesSwap/> Interested in volunteering? Contact Rlkidswap@gmail.com



Mindful Mondays

Mindful Mondays with Brendan are from 7 - 8 pm in the Meditation Room (Room 8) and are ongoing, except on Mondays when the

office is closed, or otherwise noted. 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. **No Mindful Monday on June 24th** as Brendan will be away.



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 their next meeting is **Thursday, June 6th** from 6 – 7:30 pm in Room 6. For more info contact info@namirhodeisland.org or call (401) 331-3060.

Women's Faith Group

The group will not meet over the summer and will start up again in October. For more information contact Jane Tonn at 289-2349 or jtonn2@cox.net,

From the River's Edge



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

Thank You

Dear Rev. Dale and the BCC Congregation,

Thank you for the use of your parking lot for the Barrington Lions Club's bike collection event today (Sat. June 1st). We collected 31 bicycles that will be given to Operation Stand Down RI's Pedal for Patriots program. Thirty-one veterans will benefit from this collection and we could not have provided this service without your generosity.

Best wishes,
Doreen Burgers,
President, Barrington Lions Club



Community Notices

Film Screening of "Tre Maison Dasan" at the Weaver Library

Meet the Filmmaker Denali Tiller and the Boys Tre, Maison, and Dasan
Thursday, June 13, 2019 ~ 6:30pm

All are invited to an exclusive screening of multi award-winning film, *Tre Maison Dasan*, as seen on PBS' Independent Lens.

[*Tre Maison Dasan*](#) is a film about three boys - Tre, Maison, and Dasan - who share the experience of having a parent in prison. Filmed over three years in Rhode Island, this intimate documentary takes on the kids' own point of view. Through their eyes we see the complex emotional and social landscape surrounding parental incarceration in a way never before shown.

RISD filmmaker Denali Tiller and the boys will answer questions and lead a discussion after the film.

This free program has been made possible through major funding support from the RI Council for the Humanities, an independent state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Friends of the East Providence Public Library.

Weaver Library is located at 41 Grove Avenue, East Providence, RI 02914. Contact Joyce May at 401-434-2453 or eplibraryjoyce@yahoo.com for more information.

Summer Hymn Sing

The Providence Singers is hosting a Sunday afternoon Hymn Sing on **Sunday, June 30th** at 3 pm at Greenwood Community Church, 805 Main Ave, Warwick. [Directions](#) The Singers Assistant Conductor Mike Galib will lead a spirited round of hymn singing with the Singers' pianist John Black at the organ. A \$5 donation is suggested and a light reception will follow the singing. All are invited to bring their voice and come sing!



Reminders.....

Please update your email contacts/address book

We now only receive emails sent to the following addresses:



Dale dale@bccucc.org Brendan brendan@bccucc.org Christine office@bccucc.org
Pat pat@bccucc.org Andrea andrea@bccucc.org. Thank you for making these changes to your email contacts/address books.

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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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.



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.

Follow the church on Social Media

On Instagram at [BarringtonUCC](#) On Facebook at www.facebook.co/bccucc. Please 'Like' our page as well as 'Like' our individual posts so that our posts continue to be visible both to you and to the wider community. Thank you.

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