



July 19, 2018

Newsletter of Barrington
Congregational Church
United Church of Christ

Be sure you get to see ALL of the eBridge. Some platforms will only allow you to see the first portion of the eBridge, then there's a link to view the entire message.

Calendar

Summer Office Hours:

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

In case of a pastoral emergency:

Brendan should be contacted thru 7/29 at (401) 318-2447

Dale should be contacted from 7/30 at (401) 289-3780

Thurs, Jul 19

3 - 5 pm Community Office Hours with Brendan, The Coffee Depot

Fri, Jul 20

Office Closed

Noon - 10 pm Outside use of Fellowship Hall

Sat, Jul 21

2 pm Outside use of Fellowship Hall

2:45 pm Volunteers leave BCCUCC to provide food & serve at the Soup Kitchen

Sun, Jul 22

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

Mon, Jul 23

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

7- 8 pm Mindful Monday, Meditation Room

Tues, Jul 24

11 am Staff meeting

Noon *Deadline for Announcements*

1 - 2:30 pm [Memory Impairment Support Group](#), Library

Thurs, Jul 26

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

6 pm Softball game vs St James', Bicknell Field

Fri, Jul 27

Office Closed

Sun, Jul 29
9:30 am Worship Service for All Ages, Nursery Care only

Mon, Jul 30
7- 8 pm Mindful Monday, Meditation Room

Tues, Jul 31
11 am Staff meeting
11:30 am [Book Group](#), The Coffee Depot
Noon - *Deadline for eBridge*
6 pm Softball game vs St. Luke's, Bicknell Field

Thurs, Aug 2
3 - 5 pm Community Office Hours with Dale, The Coffee Depot
6 - 7:30 pm [NAMI Family Support Group](#), Room 6

Fri, Aug 3
Office Closed

Sun, Aug 5
9:30 am Worship Service for All Ages with Communion, Nursery Care only

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

Send calendar information to office@bccucc.org

The deadline for information to be included in the next eBridge is
Tuesday, July 31st at Noon. Send info to office@bccucc.org

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

From the church office

Website problems - again!!!

For the past few weeks we've been having intermittent problems with our website and it has been suspended off and on by our host server because it got hacked. If you try accessing our website and get a message that the website is temporarily unavailable, please be patient and know that we're working on getting it up and running again as soon as possible. Many thanks to Steve Peck for his assistance with this.

If the website is still down when you read this, some of the links in this publication won't work. Please try again later.



2018 - 2019 Church Calendar

The 2018 – 2019 Church Calendar has been updated with all the information received so far. It can be viewed at <http://bccucc.view-events.com> (or from the bottom of any page on our website www.bccucc.org - when the website is working). However, there's more that needs to be added! If your team/group has dates for the church calendar, please send them to office@bccucc.org. Also, please notify the office of any errors/changes/corrections needed. Thanks.



Clergy & Staff vacations

Dale is away thru July 29. Andrea is away through July 22 and then again July 31 - August 5. Brendan will be away July 30 - September 2. Pat will be away July 31 -

August 4, and Christine will be away August 6 - 20.

Summer Office Hours are in effect

Mon, Tues & Thurs 9:30 am - 1 pm;
Wednesday 11 am - 1 pm; Friday Closed



Summer changes in communications and deadlines

With shorter office hours and less activity, the Sunday Announcements and the eBridge are each being produced every other week. Please take this into consideration when submitting items for inclusion to office@bccucc.org. Over the summer the weekly deadline is **Tuesdays at Noon**.



Follow the church on Social Media

On Instagram **@Barrington UCC**

On Facebook at www.facebook.co/bccucc. Be sure to 'Like' us so you get our news feeds.



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

Take Your Faith on Vacation!

by Rev. Dale Azevedo, Sr. Minister - July 1, 2018 I had a friend once (No, honest, I really did!) who, whenever she went on a trip, would always try to find an opportunity to serve other people. It didn't matter if she was traveling for business...

[Read more](#)

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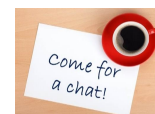


If you missed reading any posts you can find them all on the church website [at this link](#). There are also links to the most recent ones from the homepage of our church website www.bccucc.org

Summer at BCCUCC

Community Office Hours

Community Office Hours take place throughout the summer on **Thursday afternoons** 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 one of our ministers in this more informal setting. Brendan will host them in July, and Dale will host them in August. All are welcome.



'Picnic at the Parsonage' & 'Feasting at Fireside'

Elizabeth and Dale Azevedo are opening up the parsonage for a

casual cook out for 10 in their yard on **Tuesday, August 7th** from 6 - 8 pm. The following month they will host another 'Feasting at Fireside' dinner for 6 (indoors) on **Tuesday, September 18th** from 6 - 8 pm. To sign up for either, go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0d4eaba823a6f85-feasting> or contact the church office 246-0111. All members and friends of the church are welcome – individuals of all ages as well as families!



Co-ed Softball

BCCUCC has a co-ed softball team participating in the Barrington Houses of Worship Summer Softball League. Their upcoming games are listed on the calendar above and on the [2018 Softball Schedule](#). All games begin at 6 pm and are played at Bicknell Field (at the end of Walnut Road off Lincoln Avenue). Spectators are encouraged to come cheer them on! Anyone interested in playing should contact Tom Strolla at ostrolla@cox.net or (401) 246-0936. (There are some age restrictions).



Monday Evening Meditation

Mindful Mondays will take place on **Mondays, July 23 & 30** from 7 - 8 pm in the Meditation Room. The hour consists of a 20 - 25 min guided meditation, a contemplative reading or poem, followed by tea and discussion. These sessions are designed to be inclusive for people of all faiths and are open to the public. All are welcome.



Book Group

Meets at the Coffee Depot, 501 Main Street, Warren, on **Tuesday, July 31st** at 11:30 am, to discuss *Behold the Dreamers* by Imbolo Mbue: 'A compulsively readable debut novel about marriage, immigration, class, race, and the trapdoors in the American Dream--the unforgettable story of a young Cameroonian couple making a new life in New York just as the Great Recession upends the economy.' For more information about the group contact Helen Schall helenschall@hotmail.com 245-4724. All are welcome! [What is the Book Group?](#)

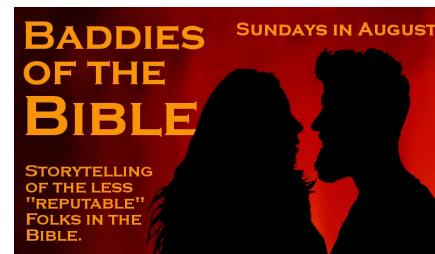
Summer Musicians wanted

During the summer while the choir is on hiatus, there is an opportunity each week for members of the congregation to share their musical talents during worship. If you play an instrument or sing and are interested in providing music during the offertory, please contact our organist/choir director Marina Zabinksi at 726-5118 or marina@bccucc.org. She is available to accompany you as needed. Marina will be posting a signup calendar in the vestry so check out available dates, then sign up and contact Marina.



Sermon Series in August

Throughout August, Dale will be telling stories of some of the less reputable folks we find in the Bible. Was there more to Cain's story than the fact he committed the first murder? Was Jezebel as bad as she is made out to be? What was Judas' real motivation? And did Sapphira really deserve the death penalty for not giving her full pledge to the church? We'll have some fun and a few laughs while we wrestle with some of these difficult people and stories in scripture.



(Sunday mornings @ 9:30am throughout August)

Kayaking anyone?

Dale is planning an afternoon of kayaking on the Barrington River and Hundred Acre Cove for anyone interested on **Sunday, August 19th** from 2:30 - 4 pm. More details to follow, but it's open to all ages and abilities - so save the date! We will be launching from the boat ramp at Walker Farm where you can also rent kayaks if needed.

<https://www.facebook.com/walkerfarmkayakrentals/>



Opportunities of all sorts!

Soup Kitchen - important request about dropping items off

On **Saturday, July 21st** it's our church's turn to provide and serve the meal at the Community Soup Kitchen located at Park Place Church in Pawtucket. If you've signed up to either volunteer and/or will be dropping off food items, please note that there will be a Memorial Service in Fellowship Hall (not the Sanctuary) beginning at 2 pm. If you come during that time please be as quiet as possible in the kitchen so as not to disturb the service. Thank you.



Elevette Operators needed

We are looking for a couple of additional volunteers willing to run the elevette on Sunday mornings. This important ministry enables those unable to manage the stairs to join us for worship in the sanctuary. Elevette operators are only scheduled 4 or 5 times a year and training will be provided - it's not difficult! If interested, please contact George Bolton at 368-7899 or rmgb18@yahoo.com. Thank you.



Loaves and Fishes RI Ministry

We have added two additional truck runs, going out every other month from our church beginning on **Wednesday, August 22nd**. If there is anyone interested in learning more about this ministry, please contact Liz White (401-245-0285 or lizzyw2@aol.com) or Jay or Phyllis Buckley (401-245-1098 or pbuckley6@cox.net). We are looking for help with shopping, food prep, going out on the truck, as well as additional drivers.



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 please contact Susan at rhodeisland.reflections@aol.com

Church Groups

Information about all of the church groups that meet regularly - including who to contact - is available [at this link](#). Meeting dates are in the calendar above. **All groups invite and welcome your participation.**

Included below is additional information that some groups need for their next meeting.

Bereavement Group

The group is taking a break over the summer and will resume meeting in September. However, if anyone has any questions or concerns during the break they may contact the facilitator Betsy Brenner at jsbeeb@aol.com or 245-8031. [What is the Bereavement Group?](#)

Other groups that meet regularly at our church include

[NAMI RI Family Support Group](#) (National Alliance on Mental Illness). Next meets on **Thursday, August 3rd** from 6 - 7:30 pm in Room 6.

[Memory Impairment Support Group](#) Next meets on **Tuesday, July 24th** from 1 - 2:30 pm in the Library.

For more information on any of these groups, including the contact person, [click here](#). Check the calendar at the top of this email, or our [online calendar](#), for meeting dates.

From the RI Conference UCC

Don't miss out on Irons Homestead Overnight Camp (for grades 4 - 12)

All weeks include swimming, arts and crafts, games, community building, friend making, hiking, singing.....

July 22 - 27 Mission Possible: UCC

Missionaries Lindley Kinerk and Andy Jepson will be in residence the entire week. This missionary couple has served in Zimbabwe and Sri Lanka.

July 30 - Aug 3 Paint the Town: Muralist Kristin Putney and musician Kristine Gervais will lead this week of arts.

It's not too late to sign up! To register for any of the camps (and more information) go to: www.IronsHomestead.org



Forest Day Camp (for ages 6 - 12) is in full swing but still has a few spaces for the rest of the Summer

July 23 - 27 Serving Others - join with the overnight campers to learn to serve and to engage in helping work.

July 30 - August 3 Games, Games, Games - just what the name says

August 6 - 10 Nature Craft - learn and practice survival skills

August 13 - 17 Arts and Drama - guests lead us in music, drama and many forms of art.

To register for any of the camps (and more information) go to: www.IronsHomestead.org



[Learn more](#) about Irons Homestead Camps and Volunteer Opportunities,

Community Notices

"I've Got a Song: A Living History of the McCarthy Era" - a program of stories and song.

Friday, July 20 at 7 pm in South Kingstown, RI. [More information](#)

Written and performed by Nancy Hood it depicts Nancy's childhood experiences growing up in a leftist family during the McCarthy Era. Complementing the stories is a musical selection ranging from spirituals to union songs, haunting love ballads to humorous tunes of social significance. A backdrop of family photographs and newspaper clippings completes this living history lesson that spans the mid-'40s through the early '60s. Evoking laughter and tears, this program draws the audience into a child's courageous struggle with adversity and persecution. <https://ivegotasong.wordpress.com> Seating is limited. Reservations suggested at halehouser1@gmail.com. Donations accepted.

Historic Barrington Bike Tour

Barrington Preservation Society invite you to join them for a Historic Barrington Bike Tour on **Saturday, August 4th** from 10 am - Noon. Meet at Police Cove Park at 9:45 am where the Tour will begin/end. Free - open to the public - Aug 5th Rain Date. Bike helmets are required. Register with the Barrington Preservation Society via email at sutherlanddi1980@gmail.com. Tour led by Sydney Montstream-Quas, Director for the award-winning East Bay Bike Path Historic Signs. [More Information](#)



Please note....

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 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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