



Church goal and accompanying Scripture for 2017

Our church goal for 2017 is to change, adapt and grow into who God is calling us to be, realizing this will empower us to think outside the box and challenge the status quo.

Scripture: Isaiah 43:19

I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

NOVEMBER 19th 10:30AM IN-GATHERING SUNDAY!

Please remember to bring your pledge cards, your Time and Talent Surveys, your weekly offering, as well as any Thanksgiving food donations or monetary donations that you'd like to make to People Helping People.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

November 19th - In-gathering Sunday

Lay Leader	Carol Downing
Head Usher	Everett Langley
School	Deb Raymond-Sue Wisniewski
Nursery	Kristen Watanabe-Karen Ciardi
Collector	Karen Ciardi
Coffee Hour	Janine Towle
Bakers	Janine-Karen Butler-Karen Ciardi

November 26th - Red Wagon*

Guest Speaker	Margie Wauford
Lay Leader	Dave Hooper
Head Usher	Marcia Rich
School	Deb R-Chris Stahlinski
Nursery	Kristen Watanabe-Mark Flecchia
Collector	Marge Zamanian
Coffee Hour	Susan Eby
Bakers	Susan-Shirley Fong-Sally Willard

Mental Health + the Holidays

On Nov. 26th, our worship service will focus on the holiday season and how it affects all of us, but especially those with mental health concerns. We will have a guest speaker, Margie Wauford, a Licensed Clinical Social Worker. She will speak for a few minutes at the start of the service and will be available afterwards to answer questions.

Also, mark your calendars for our ***Calming Christmas Service which will be on Saturday, December 9th at 2:00pm.*** This will be another opportunity for people decompress and connect with God during this busy season.

***Pantry Needs!**

Even though we just had the Ingathering for Thanksgiving, there are items the pantry is ALWAYS short on: vegetable oil, coffee, tea, sugar and flour! Please bring to worship on November 26th! Thank you!

COFFEE HOUR

During coffee hour we have lego blocks for our children to use in bins by the stage. Help yourself!
Thank you!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday -November 14

True North Pastor Hours 4-6pm

Wednesday -November 15

Crafting for a Cause - CANCELLED TODAY!

Youth Choir 5:15pm

Adult Choir 7:15pm

Thursday -November 16

True North Pastor Hours 9-11am

Sunday -November 19

In-gathering Sunday

Worship-School 10:30AM

Bringing forward our Food, Pledges, Time and Talent Surveys, etc!

Sorting of Food-All Welcome! noon-1:30pm

Distribution to Families 2-5pm (Adults Only)



**IN-GATHERING OF 'PLEDGES', FOOD AND OFFERINGS
WILL TAKE PLACE ON NOVEMBER 19TH DURING WORSHIP**

As part of our Thanksgiving Worship on November 19th we will all come forward with our offerings, pledges, time and talent survey and our food for the pantry.

Our church is blessed to serve as the collection point for all the food donations from local churches, the Temple and organizations to provide Thanksgiving baskets to Burlington families, in dire financial need, as well as the elderly, shut-ins, and veterans. Our Youth volunteers will have responsibility for sorting and packaging the food prior to the distribution to those families identified by the Burlington Food Pantry. Last year we provided food for a complete Thanksgiving Dinner for over 180 families.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED; HELP ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH. SEE THE SIGNUP SHEET AT COFFEE HOUR AND VOLUNTEER TO SORT FOOD, DELIVER FOOD TO SHUT-INS, HANDOUT FOOD TO FAMILIES (adults only please for privacy issues), TRANSPORT LEFTOVERS TO THE PANTRY, ETC.

This is a short list, but we need DOZENS and DOZENS OF EACH ITEM! Fresh vegetables (potatoes, squash, green beans, carrots, etc) will be purchased, so if you would like to make a monetary contribution instead of food, such donations would be welcome. Checks should be made payable to People Helping People please!

**We are requesting the following list of foods
PLEASE ONLY NEW PURCHASES (NO EXPIRED DATES)!**

Chicken broth	Canned Corn	Cornbread Mix
Gravy	Cranberry Sauce	Mayonnaise
Stuffing mix		

People Helping People and our wider community thank you!

**INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE
NOVEMBER 20TH 7PM AT OUR CHURCH**

We are hosting this year! Join us on Monday night, Nov. 20th at 7:00pm for our annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service. This is a chance for us to extend gratitude for the blessings in our lives along with the members of our beloved, diverse community. There will be at least 9 clergy in attendance, representing different faith traditions, and maybe

some elected officials. The collection will be used for hurricane relief efforts. All are welcome to join us for this uplifting evening.

(P.S. If you are willing to help with hospitality, please be in touch with Angela at RevWells@UCCBurlington.org. Thank you!)



Advent Candle Lighters: Needed!

A special tradition during the Advent Season is to mark the passing weeks by lighting our (new!) Advent Wreath each Sunday. Would you, or your family, or a group of friends, like to light the wreath one Sunday? Please be in touch with Angela if you are interested. **We need people on Dec. 3rd, Dec. 10th, Dec. 17th and Dec. 24th at 10:30am for our morning service AND Dec. 24th at 11:00pm for our candlelight Christmas Eve Service.** Thank you!

Please mark your calendars for our **Calming Christmas Service which will be on Saturday, Dec. 9th at 2:00pm.** This will be another opportunity for people decompress and connect with God during this busy season.



CITY MISSION COATS FOR KIDS PROGRAM

Our collection starts **now and runs through December 1st.**

We are asking for **NEW** children's winter coats or gift cards to Amazon, TJMaxx, or Marshalls.

The bin will be outside the church office. If giving gift cards,

please hand them to Nancy Todd or the church office.



CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS AND ORNAMENTS FOR PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE!

Donate: In good condition (but no longer wanted)

Volunteers from our church have arranged with People Helping People to set up a table at the food distribution site to give away Christmas decorations. People who wish to, may take these decorations home for use at no cost to them. ***If you would like to pass on your extra, no longer needed Christmas decorations, please bring them to the church office by Sunday – December 10.***

Please package them neatly so we may display them, and make certain they are in good condition and that lights, etc. are working. Thanks! If you have questions, contact Jan Costa (jancosta124@gmail.com)

LOWELL TRANSITIONAL HOUSING NEEDS!!!

The Lowell Transitional Living Center (aka Lowell Shelter) is short on ***travel size toothpaste.***

Also needed is ***gently used winter clothing.*** Yes, gloves, hats, jackets. Remember that it's for homeless people, so stuff that's waterproof/very durable would probably be best. See the bins outside the church office.



WORSHIP AND SUNDAY SCHOOL HELP!

CE will be providing signup sheets for nursery and Sunday school substitute teachers and assistants. Please sign up if you're able. It has proven to be a rewarding experience for volunteers and the CE program could not continue without it!



CHILDREN'S TIME DURING ADVENT

Parents: We need your help!

Each Sunday in Advent, we'd like your children to bring one of their toys to add to our manger scene during Children's Time. The toys will stay there all the way through Christmas, so please make sure they *don't* bring their favorite toys! They'll be able to take them home after both of our Christmas Eve services. Also, if you could write their name somewhere on their toys, that would be great. Here's the schedule:

Dec. 3rd: Bring the animals! Have your child bring an animal toy to put in our manger that they think would have been present at Jesus' birth.

Dec. 10th: Bring the shepherds/people! Have your child bring the "shepherd" (or person) that they think would have been present at Jesus' birth.

Dec. 17th: Bring the angels! Have your child bring a toy that's like an angel or a heavenly messenger, to add to our manger scene.

Dec, 24th at 10:30am service: Bring the Marys and Josephs! Have your child bring a mom and/or a dad who would have been present at Jesus' birth.

Invite your child to get creative with this, to use their imagination! If you have any questions, please speak with Angela (RevWells@UCCBurlington.org) or Deb Raymond (angelfoods@msn.com). We can't wait to celebrate Advent and prepare for Jesus' birth each week with your children.



November Rehearsals

The choirs will rehearse on November 15, and 29. Adults will meet at 7:15 pm and youth will meet at 5:15 pm. We will also be meeting at 6pm on November 20 to rehearse for the 7pm Interfaith Thanksgiving Service that evening. There will be no rehearsals the night before Thanksgiving.

Keep in touch!

Email: music@uccburlington.org

Twitter: @uccbmusic

Facebook: www.facebook.com/burlingtonchoirs

Google+: Joe Stoddard (music@uccburlington.org).

SOLAR POWER FOR OUR CHURCH UPDATE!

The solar panel installation work has been delayed due to issues at Eversource.

Current schedule is for installation to start on November 13. We hope to be operational by the end of November.

Please let Dave Ierardi (cell [508-692-8684](tel:508-692-8684)) know if you have any questions.

Team Solar Light of Christ

Angela Wells, Conrad Fong, Chris Stahlinski, Michael Lewis, Dave Ierardi



PASTOR HOURS!

Please join Rev. Angela at True North Coffee Shop on Tuesdays from 4:00-6:00pm and Thursdays from 9-11am.

**There will be NO True North hours on Nov. 21st or Nov. 23rd.
Hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving!**

True North is located at 204 Cambridge St. in Burlington. Occasionally she has to change her hours, so please keep an eye on the weekly email for any such changes. But otherwise, you can count on her being there during those hours. Please don't hesitate to stop by!



Congratulations to Rev. Angela Wells who was ordained 5 years ago on November 5th!

On November 26th she will celebrate 5 years as our Pastor!

Mark Flecchia

Steve Fennelly

Anne Stafford

Laura Nowell

Ann Onthank

Marion Braley Freeman

Claire Simas's procedure went well, she is doing fine

Bill Livezey's daughter-in-law's sister Susan

Betty Knowles

Jessy McNeil's brother Mel and sister Grace

Barbara Garland

Henry Knopp

Jan Blandino and her great grandson Brandon

Anne Stafford's grandson Tyler

Elizabeth King

Tom Killilea

Chris Cahoon

Dorothy Murdoch's granddaughter Meghan and son Bob

Carol Downing's husband Ron
Nick Ciano's Mom Jenny
Bobbie's friend John
Dot Drinkwater
Ruth Reddig
Everett Langley and his brother George
John Heald's sister Susan & Mom
Aimee Tredeau's friend Amanda
Ginger Mungillo's son, Jim
Fred Garside
And all those effected by the recent hurricanes, fires and violence worldwide!

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