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### **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.*

## **JANUARY 14th Worship-School-Love Offering 10:30AM**

### **Love Offering**

With the start of the new year, this is a friendly reminder of the purpose of the Love Offering. This is a special offering taken each month to help those within our church community who may need a little financial help during the year, the money is put into the Deacons Fund. The assistance can be for things like heat, utilities, medical bills, rent, automotive expenses, or just a helping hand to help get you by for a short period of time. Because of the generosity of our church members, the Deacons Fund is quite healthy right now. You might think the fund is for someone else with greater needs than you, but it's not, it's for any of us.

All requests for help are kept confidential. Please reach out to Rev. Angela or any of the Deacons if you could use some financial assistance at this time.

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## WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

### **January 14th**

Lay Leader: Karen Ciardi  
Head Usher: Mark Flecchia  
Ushers: Mark & Donna Flecchia  
Dave Ierardi-Dave McNeil  
Greeter: Karen Butler-volunteer  
School: Deb Raymond-  
Nursery: Kristen Watanabe-Donna Flecchia  
Flower Deliverer: Jessy McNeil  
Collector: Karen Ciardi  
Coffee Hour: Deb Glancy & Donna Ferro  
Bakers: Deb-Donna-Jean Baker-Karen Butler

### **January 21st**

Lay Leader: Sally Willard  
Head Usher: Conrad Fong  
School: Deb Raymond  
Nursery: Kristen Watanabe-Mark Flecchia  
Collector: Marge Zamanian  
Coffee Hour: Kay Shute-Jane Raymond  
Bakers: Kay-Jane-Sally Willard-Marge Zamanian

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **Tuesday January 9**

No True North Pastor Hours

### **Wednesday January 10**

Crafting for a Cause 1:00pm

No Youth Choir

Adult Choir 7:15pm

Vision Team Meeting

### **Thursday January 11**

True North Pastor Hours 9-11am

**Sunday January 14**

Worship-School-Love Offering 10:30am

Missions Meeting

**Please note Rev. Angela Wells will be away January through 9th  
at her LAST NEW Clergy Conference.**

**If you have a pastoral emergency while she is away, Rev. Heather Hinton  
will be more than happy to receive your call.**

**She can be reached at 508-685-1994.**

**PLEASE SEE A VERY IMPORTANT EMAIL SENT OUT THIS  
MORNING REGARDING AN URGENT REQUEST FOR A SECOND  
MILE BUDGET NEED!**

**ANNUAL REPORTS AND FEBRUARY HILLTOP ARTICLES ARE  
DUE ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 19TH PLEASE!**



For those of you who were not in worship on Dec. 31st, we chose Prayer Partners for the year. The name of the person you choose is the person in our church who you're invited to pray for throughout the year. You can also check in with them on occasion. It's a way of making sure that we are attentive to one another and that nobody falls through the cracks. If you want a Prayer Partner, the basket of names will be at Coffee Hour for the next few weeks until everyone's name has been drawn. If you have any questions, please speak with Angela.

**CRAFTING FOR A CAUSE**

Outside the office is a box for unsigned Christmas cards. These will be given next December to the Middlesex jail in Billerica so the inmates can send cards to family and friends.

Also some of you may have seen the clear Christmas balls we made with pictures of the Church inside. If you have a cell phone which takes pictures think about taking pictures of the sanctuary at different times of the year and sending them to [mmoosie@hotmail.com](mailto:mmoosie@hotmail.com) (Susan Eby). We are planning to make more of these popular ornaments next year. Thanks in advance, Susan.

We will meet this month as long as the weather allows. If the weather conditions are too bad Susan will send you an e-mail. There will also be no Crafting for a Cause on the following dates January 17, February 7, and March 14 at Church. We can discuss if we want to meet at someone's house the days the Conference room is being used.



### **You are invited!**

The UCC CE and Music Committees are hosting an evening of fellowship, wonderful entertainment with the Three of Cups (Debbie & Ann-Marie) and accompanied by Ted Brierley along with a pot luck Chili supper on Saturday, January 20 from 6-8:30pm to drive the cold winter away.

This will be a ***pot luck supper of chili, cornbread, homemade pies and apple cider with a special concert to follow.*** Please join us and of course, sign-up sheets will be available during coffee hour starting on January 7 so you can share your favorite chili recipes or home baked pies.

This event is free and open to family and friends.

### **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!



Keep in touch!

Email: [music@uccburlington.org](mailto:music@uccburlington.org)

Twitter: @uccbmusic

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/burlingtonchoirs](http://www.facebook.com/burlingtonchoirs)

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

### **SOLAR POWER FOR OUR CHURCH**

As you all can see, our panels, inverters and associated hardware are installed!

Last step is for Eversource to complete a modification to a transformer and commission the system. Our vendor Revision Energy is motivated to push this last step as they do not get paid until it is complete. We expect completion in January which is well before the March deadline for favorable 2017 Mass SREC's.



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.

**No Pastor hours on Tuesday 9th.**

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!

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John Getsinger's grandson Zach

Joe Stoddard's husband Paul Mouratidis

Elise Surko-with Hospice

Wynelle Scenna's brother

Ken Leonard

Conrad Fong

Janice Grace's dad Ed Scott

Mark Flecchia and his mom Vivian

Steve Fennelly

Ann Onthank

Marion Braley Freeman

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

Betty Knowles

Jessy McNeil's brother Mel and sister Grace

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Barbara Garland  
Henry Knopp  
Jan Blandino and her great grandson Brandon  
Anne Stafford, a young friend Amanda, grandson Tyler and nephew Bill  
Elizabeth King  
Dorothy Murdoch's granddaughter Meghan and son Bob  
Carol Downing's husband Ron  
Nick Ciano's Mom Jenny  
Bobbie & Tom's friend John, experimental drug for cancer treatments  
Dot Drinkwater  
Ruth Reddig  
Everett Langley's 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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