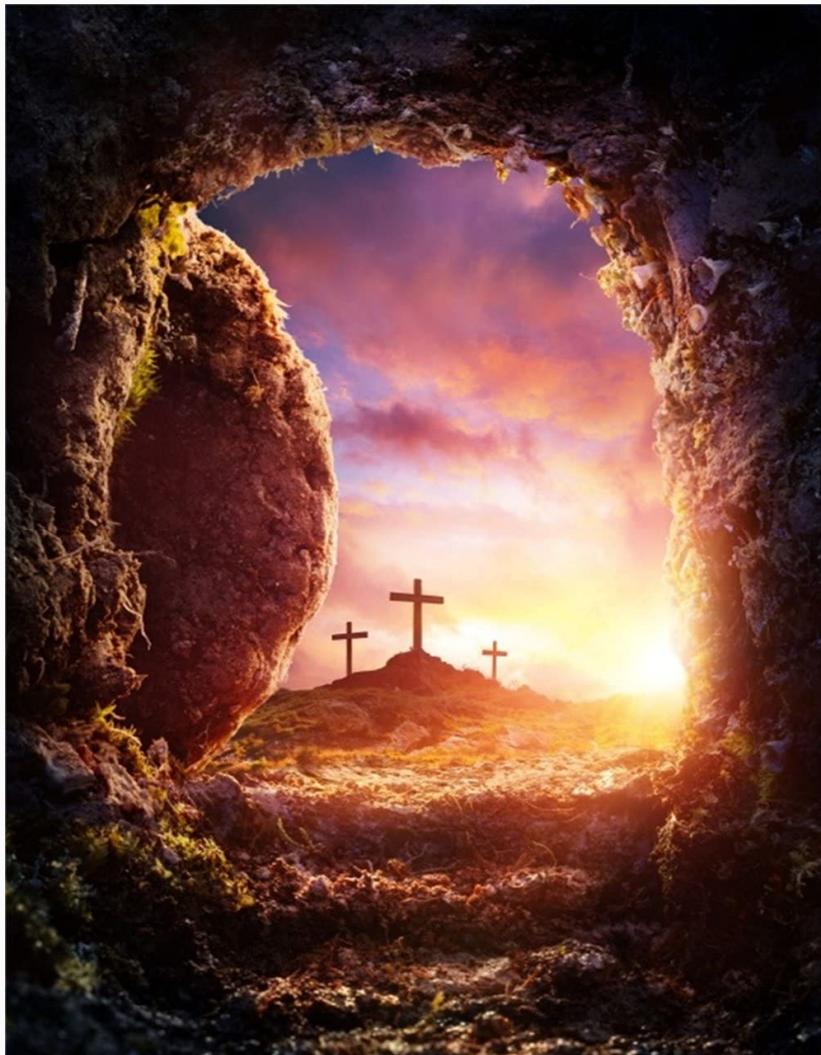


**UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST,
CONGREGATIONAL
6 LEXINGTON STREET
BURLINGTON, MA 01803**



HOLY WEEK SERVICES

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 9 at 7PM

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 10-QUIET MEDIATION AT HOME

EASTER SUNDAY SUNRISE, APRIL 12 at 6:30AM

EASTER FESTIVAL WORSHIP, APRIL 12 at 10:30AM

Here is the link: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/756975189>

You need to download the ZOOM app on your ipad or computer.
If you cannot access it, you can always dial in on your phone and listen by audio.

The phone number is: 929-205-6099

Enter meeting ID: 756 975 189 when prompted.

You will receive a bulletin for the upcoming Sunday, via email with the hymns attached. This way you can have the bulletin with you at home while joining us for worship. During our Zoom worship, I will share prayer requests that I received throughout the week, so **if you have any prayers that you'd like shared on Sunday morning, please call me 727-776-7892 or email them to me RevWells@uccburlington.org before Saturday night.**

Thank you.

Angela

We believe that God calls us to love unconditionally, following the example of Jesus

*Christ. Recognizing that all people are equal in the sight of God, **we seek to be an inclusive and respectful community for persons of every color, age, sexual orientation, gender, ability and economic means.** In our calling to express the love and welcome of Christ, we affirm the dignity and worth of every person, and declare ourselves to be an Open and Affirming congregation. We strive to respond to the needs of our town and world with practical deeds of love. We welcome individuals and families of every configuration into the full life and ministry of this church. Join us on our faith journey!*

CHURCH OFFICE NOTICE!

The office will not be open to the general public. You can leave messages at the church office 781-272-4547, voicemail will be checked regularly.

Please, please feel free to mail pledges or donations to the church at
6 Lexington Street, Burlington, MA. 01803.

The mail will be checked regularly as well. If you need help or concerns, please feel free to leave a message.

BE SAFE DURING THIS CHALLENGING TIME.
WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL AGAIN,
HOPEFULLY SOON!

LOVE,
BOBBIE

Book Discussion Update!

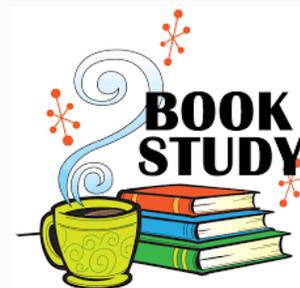
A few folks have asked me what we're doing about the upcoming book discussions. I was also asked if we could please read *The Book of Joy* by Desmond Tutu and the Dalai

Lama. Our plan is to postpone our discussions about *Christianity for the Rest of Us* and *When Kids Ask Hard Questions*. Perhaps we will discuss them in the fall, so if you already started reading them, don't fret. But for now we will focus on something we all need, joy. **Our Zoom book**

discussion about *The Book of Joy* will be on Wednesday, May 13th at 7pm, so that should hopefully give you enough time to read it before we discuss it. We'll use the same Zoom link we use for worship.

Please let me know if you're planning to join us for the discussion.

Thank you all for your understanding and flexibility. -Angela



UCC EASTER PARADE!

What: Easter Car parade by anyone at UCC Burlington that would like to join. We will meet in the church parking lot in our decorated cars. All you need to do is show up at church parking lot & drive

your car in the Easter parade (procession).

We will leave the parking lot in a procession past some of our congregant's homes. The congregants will be alerted that we will arrive at their home between 1:10-2:00pm.

When: Easter Sunday 4/12

Time: We will depart the church parking lot **PROMPTLY at 1:00 PM**

What do you need to do: Decorate your car. Make Easter messages for your windows, Crosses, Easter eggs, Easter bunnies, Sunrises, Butterflies. Wear your Easter hat!

In order to be safe and maintain social distancing, we will NOT be getting out of our cars for any reason! We will all be distanced in our cars. But we can wave, **blow kisses & air hugs** thru our windows. We cannot toss Easter eggs or anything in peoples' yards.

We will all try to stay together, there should not be too much traffic.

The route is being worked out now & will be distributed in a blast by Bobbie at the end of the week.

All are welcomed to join the UCC Easter car parade **leaving at 1:00pm sharp!**

It will make be fun, celebratory & will hopefully make some congregants & people in Burlington smile.

PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE AND OUR *RED WAGON!*

Since we are not meeting here at church and not able to collect items for our Burlington Pantry, I reached out to see what we can do to help our neighbors! If you go to the grocery store think of getting a few items below for our Pantry. On your drive home, you could swing by and drop off at the Pantry, 1 St. Mark's Road, Burlington Monday-Thursday 9:00AM-2:00PM , but later in the week they hope to have a separate donation center set up in the parking lot.

Here is a short list of items the pantry is asking for:

spaghetti sauce
cereal
instant oatmeal
vegetable oil
condiments: mustard, ketchup, mayo, salad dressing
100% juice boxes
dish soap
toothpaste
shampoo

ready-to-eat chicken soup
peanut butter
jelly
2lb bags of sugar

People are also welcome to donate money on their website, they are relying more than ever on being able to get things from the Greater Boston Food Bank where they still have to purchase some items from there and they need to rent a truck to go pick it up.

The website is: <https://peoplehelpingpeopleinc.org/>

Thank you for your support and stay healthy

PASTOR ANGELA AVAILABLE FOR PASTORAL CARE

If you are struggling during this time of social distancing, or if you just want someone to talk to, I am available for you. We can set up a time to talk via phone, FaceTime or Zoom, whichever you prefer.

Please do not isolate yourself if you are struggling.
You can email me or call me to schedule a time to talk,
RevWells@UCCBurlington.org or 727-776-7892.

Love, Angela

MEDICATION ASSISTANCE

If you are concerned about how you're going to get your medications during this time of social distancing, please contact Cindy Phillips.

She can assist you.

She can be reached at: 781-552-1034.

UPCOMING WORSHIP

April 9 Maundy Thursday 7pm Zoom Livestream

Pastor: Rev. Angela Wells-Bean
Organist: Joe Stoddard, Jr.
Lay Leader: Chris Stahlinski
Readers: Wynelle Scenna, Deana Tredeau, Mark Flecchia
Debbie Claar, Dave Ierardi
Music : Mark Omobono, Lee Tirrell, Lisa Brooke
Children's Time: Deb Raymond

April 12, Easter Sunrise 6:30am Zoom Livestream:

Lay leader: Deb Raymond
Readers: Kiera & Liam Egan and Ally & Peter Wisniewski
Music: Silva Family

April 12, Easter Festival 10:30 Zoom Livestream:

Lay leader: Lucy Damiani
Music: Sarah Clark and Debbie Claar
Children's Time: Deb Raymond

Zoom Livestream link: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/756975189>

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FACE MASKS

DO YOU HAVE 1/4 INCH ELASTIC FROM SOME PAST PROJECT?

Jessie McNeil has shared a request from local hospitals for people to sew cotton face

masks. Each mask requires a foot of ¼ inch elastic. We have called local Joann's and Michaels and they are out of it. Also amazon is saying delivery of elastic will be in May. If you are a sewer and have the elastic but need cotton cloth, we have the cloth on handl, OR if you don't want to sew masks but have the elastic, would you please email Susan Eby at mmoosie@hotmail.com.

We also have the directions for making the masks.

Thank You!

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CHILDREN'S TIME

Deb Raymond has sent mailings home to our Sunday School children.

Deb will share with all of you at Children's Time
during our LIVESTREAM worship Services

Tune-In!



Financial Assistance

If you or your family experience financial struggles as a result of COVID-19, the church is here to help you. We have a Deacons Fund which can be used for emergency financial assistance. Please reach out to Pastor Angela or Deacons Chair, Deb Glancy debglancy03@gmail.com if you could use financial support. All requests are kept confidential.

People Helping People

People Helping People has expanded its offerings to the community in light of COVID-

19. If you or your family could benefit from receiving food through the food pantry, please contact the food pantry at 781-270-6625 or burlingtonpantry@gmail.com. In addition to non-perishable items, they have a wonderful array of fruits and vegetables. They're also offering lunch foods for families with children who normally receive their lunch at school.

Church Member Support

If you are elderly or immunocompromised or don't feel comfortable leaving your home, we have a team of church members who can run errands for you, including doing your food shopping. If this would be helpful for you, please reach out to Bobbie in the church office, or Pastor Angela.

Please continue your church pledges

The church is not insulated from the economic concerns regarding COVID-19. We will inevitably lose a lot of loose offerings because we won't be gathering for worship for so many weeks. That being said, the church still has fixed costs including utilities and salaries. Please continue your weekly or monthly pledges, if you're able. **Checks can be mailed to the church** If you're able to make an extra contribution, that would be much appreciated. Thank you so much for helping to sustain our community during this time of uncertainty.



TRUE NORTH PASTOR HOURS

at True North Coffee Shop
204 Cambridge Street, Burlington

Cancelled for the unforeseeable future. Stay tuned!
You can still reach Pastor Angela at 727-776-7892.

PHOTOS FOR OUR WEBSITE!

We are working on updating our website. In order to do this, we need current(ish)

photos. If you have any photos of church events or church members that you think might look good on the website, please send them to photosforucc@sallywillard.com. Thank you!

Seeking: Point person

for our Boston PRIDE Participation!

We are hoping participate in Boston Pride again this year. It is on Saturday, June 13th. We are looking for someone to help organize us the day of the event. It's very easy. We will take care of publicity and organizing beforehand, we just need you to help gather people at the parade. Please reach out to Angela or Sara Goodrich (goodrichsj78@hotmail.com) if you're interested. Thank you!



And of course this all depends on the COVID-19 situation!



APRIL BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

- 1 Alan Beck**
- 5 Martha Mary Ursino**
- 7 Brody Bonnell**
- 9 Kristen Costa**
- 10 Josephine Samarjian**
- 11 Janine Towle**
- 12 Barbara Leonard**
- 12 Luella Brown**
- 13 Tina Brierley**
- 13 Pam Walker**
- 13 Brad Bond**
- 14 Josephine Ursino**
- 15 Donald Walker**
- 19 Janet Hooper**
- 21 Shirley Fong**
- 23 Jaime Cahoon**
- 24 Oksana Turgiss**
- 25 Allison Phillips**
- 28 Kristen Harder**
- 30 Mark Forbush**

ONGOING REMINDERS ARE LISTED BELOW:

CHOIR REHEARSALS CANCELLED

COFFEE HOUR CANCELLED

CRAFTING FOR A CAUSE (C4C) CANCELLED at church, but many are doing great projects at home!

NURSERY/WORSHIP VOLUNTEERING CANCELLED

LTLC NEEDS Sweatshirts, Coats, Warm Socks, Gloves, Hats, Warm Clothing
(See bin outside the church office)

BURLINGTON PANTRY NEEDS Diapers (sizes 4,5,6,7 & pullups) Also wipes
(See bin outside the church office)

JUST A REMINDER.....

WE HAVE RENTERS USING SEWALL HALL WEEKLY

MONTESSORI SCHOOL Monday-Friday from 8-6pm -CANCELLED

Please remember there is a large school pickup at 3pm.

So the parking lot will be very busy!

MONDAYS 7:30-9PM AA MEETING TBD

WEDNESDAYS 7-9pm SCOUTS - CANCELLED

Please **DO NOT** interrupt when they are in session!



PLEASE EMAIL US IF YOU HAVE ANY PRAYERS OR CONCERNS OR IF

ANY OF THE FOLLOWING FOLKS ARE DOING BETTER!

Dave Ierardi's son Dano and partner Alisha

Sarah Clark's mother-in-law Sandra

Jan Costa - testing

Jessy McNeil's friend K'ween finishing chemo

Joe Stoddard's mom Lillian

Betty and Woody Knowles, their friend Janet Hurley

Roberta Low's friend Doug

Anna Karwan and her family

Joyce Carpenter's Nephew

Bill Beyer's sister Jane Moberg and friend Frank

Claire Simas and grandson

Mark Flecchia's mom Vivian

Kendra Griep's grandfather

Luella Brown

Carol & Ron Downing

Conrad Fong and his Dad

Alan Wright's friend Seth's Dad

Anne Stafford, her son Bill and grandson Zach

Jean Bastos

J. Beyers (Relative of Kate)

Dave Williamson

Rev. Elizabeth King

Jan Blandino

Bobbie Martino

Barbara Garland

Jessy McNeil's brother Mel and sister Grace

Henry Knopp

Dot Drinkwater

Ruth Reddig

Everett Langley's brother George

John Heald's sister Susan & Mom

Jim Mungillo

Tom's co-worker's 22 year old son

Friend of the Killiea's Joe Damaso, very sick

All our caregivers, military here and abroad, our First Responders
and Urgent Care workers! BE SAFE!

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