

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



*Here I Am,
Send Me.*

SUNDAY'S THEME

"Whom Shall We Send?"

We look forward to welcoming you
when we're able to be back in our sanctuary!

UPCOMING WORSHIP*

May 30 Worship on Zoom at 10:30am (Memorial Weekend)

Pastor: Interim Pastor Rev. Ginger Bove (last day with us!)
Organist: Joe Stoddard, Jr.
Lay Leader: Mark Flecchia
Music: Julie Lewis
Sunday School: Kristin Watanabe

June 6 Communion Worship on Zoom at 10:30am

Pastor: Rev. Angela Wells-Bean
Organist: Joe Stoddard, Jr.
Lay Leader: Chris Stahlinski
Music: Mark Omobono
Sunday School: Deb Raymond

UPCOMING EVENTS

Anti-Racism via Zoom at 7pm May 26
Rev. Ginger's last day with us May 31

*Here is the link for worship: <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, Rev. Ginger will share prayer requests received throughout the week, *so if you have any prayers that you'd like shared on Sunday morning, please email the church by Friday, uccburlington@gmail.com or call the office 781-272-4547.*

Thank you.

PLEASE READ THROUGH ALL THE ARTICLES IN
THIS WEEKLY!



Introducing... Our Interim Pastor!

Rev. Ginger Bove has been our Interim Pastor from March 1st- May 31st while Pastor Angela has been on parental leave. Sunday, May 31st we will say farewell to her. We send her with many blessings from all of us at UCC.

Rev. Ginger can be reached by email: ybove13@aol.com or leave a message on the church phone. 781-272-4547.

These times, they are a-changing...

Thank you to those who have volunteered to serve on the Interim Pastor Search Committee. We will start the process very soon!

It is important to keep in mind that our church is nearly 300 years old, and has had a wide range of pastors throughout the centuries. We find ourselves at a new transition, and it is a time of inward reflection, determining what kind of church we are, and what kind of church we want to be.

We will need to find 9 more people for the settled pastor committee, but that is at least a year away.

As someone who served on the settled pastor selection committee previously, I can tell you that it is a very involved, but very rewarding experience. I am honored to have been given the opportunity to serve in such a capacity and hope you will consider the possibility for serving on one of the committees.

If you have any questions about either committee, feel free to reach out to Sally or myself at dmichaellewis@gmail.com, and I will be happy to answer any questions you have.

Sincerely,
Michael Lewis



SOCIAL GATHERING AT UCC

Our first Social Gathering took place May 5th. We had a nice group of 8 of us.

The next gathering will take place on **Tuesday, June 8th at 9:30am** outside on the church lawn, weather permitting. If you would like to join us, contact Chris Stahlinski at cmlynch51@yahoo.com



Our Recent Walk-a-thon

Thank you to all who supported our youth on their recent Walk-a-thon on May 23rd. If you would like to make a donation to the World Wildlife Fund (the organization chosen by Sunday School to protect Polar Bears and our Rainforest) you can send it to the church office. Please put WWF on the memo line!

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Checks made out to WWF.

(We will include **your** donation with the **kids'** donations.)

Thank you!

Any questions to Deb Raymond Cell: 857-373-9156 or angelfoods@msn.com

Anti-Racism

Accountability Group

Staying vigilant about racism and the ways we're complicit in perpetuating it is very important. All are welcome to join our Anti-Racism Accountability Group as we work together to dismantle personal, interpersonal, systemic and institutional racism.

We meet on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 7pm. **(May 26th)**

You can contact Sarah Clark at stredeauclark@gmail.com and she'd be happy to send you the Zoom link.

Are you Zoom Meeting Savvy?

UCC Burlington is looking for a few good people to be a backup Zoom host or a rotating Zoom cohost for our weekly Zoom church services. Gratefully, we have been able to rely on Michael Lewis and Sally Willard to manage our weekly Zoom logistics. Even though Michael and Sally are steady contributors, it is important to have back-up support, especially if someone is sick, out-of-town, or simply needs a break.



If you are interested in being a Zoom host back-up or a rotating cohost, please let Deb Glancy know (debglancy03@gmail.com). We'll provide instruction, coaching, and lots of support. We are seeking 5-6 people who would be willing to serve this very important role. Please consider how your skills can support this need. Thank you very much.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Children/Youth Sunday on 6/13/21, is sneaking up!

I want to make sure we acknowledge all 2021 High School & College Grads.
I am looking for information on your plans.

The people I know of are:

High School: Elizabeth, Will & Riley

College: Jackson, Rachel, Stephanie & Jo, William Forbush

Med School: Nick Corwin

**Could I please get all the students Cell Numbers & Email Addresses
(I have #'s for: Elizabeth, Rachel, Stephanie & Jo)**

If you have a graduate not listed, or I have the wrong information, please contact:
Deb Raymond C:857-373-9156. Email angelfoods@msn.com



CRAFTING FOR A CAUSE

We continue to meet via Zoom but when the warmer weather comes we will meet in person out of doors. We are thinking positively about next fall's fair and will begin to make things for sale at the fair.

Join Zoom Meeting on Thursdays at 1pm

<https://zoom.us/j/95879026186?pwd=NVBjdjZmQWZzOG94UzNWSFNuZlhHQT09>

Meeting ID: 958 7902 6186

Passcode: 01803

Thanks for your support of the Missions committee.

Helping Those in Need

DONATIONS NEEDED!

The Lowell Transitional Life Center is always in need of the following for Spring and Summer:

Specific items needed for just MEN:

Jeans, t-shirts, hoodies, socks, underwear, sneakers

Leave these items under the coatrack right inside the red doors to our building. They are still in need of warm clothing! Drop off to the church office.

Clothing will be delivered MID-MAY.

NEWS

From Our Church

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. While Pastor Angela is on Parental Leave our Interim Pastor Ginger Bove along with our Deacons would be more than happy to connect with you.***

Church Office

Bobbie will be in the office Monday - Thursday 9-3pm for any items that may need to be dropped off. There is a security system, just be sure to ring the bell and she will let you 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 Deacons Chair, Deb Glancy debglancy03@gmail.com if you could use financial support. All requests are kept confidential.

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.

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..

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.



MAY BIRTHDAYS!

1	Joe Stoddard
1	Dennis Huebner
4	Rachel McNeil
7	Rev. Angela Wells-Bean
8	Janet Chin
11	Aimee Tredeau
12	Sally Mansfield-Smith
12	Everett Langley
14	Jennifer Baylor
15	Marj Zamanian
15	Alex Lewis
16	Karen Butler
17	Theo Brierley
19	Kari Lynch
20	Cindy Phillips
21	Jane Raymond
21	Brielle Ramirez (Killilea)
23	Jennifer McDonough (Eby)
24	Lee Tirrell
24	Stephanie Samarjian
28	Eliot Spearson
31	Lorna Scolponeti

MONTESSORI SCHOOL-DOWNSTAIRS

Monday-Friday from 8-6pm!

SEWALL HALL RENTERS

AA MEETING

MONDAYS

6:30-9PM

SCOUTS

WEDNESDAYS

7-9pm

MARTIAL ARTS

Various days and times during the week

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



Congratulations to the Lewis family on the birth of a baby girl to her cousin Amanda

Blessings to all!

Our deepest sympathy to the Lewis Family on the passing of another dear cousin.

Sympathy to Jaime Cahoon for the death of her friend Savanah's dad

who passed from Covid

Joan Zink's sister-in-law Diane

Joe Stoddard's Mom, Lillian and sister Jacque

Elaine Glancy

Alan Wright's cousin Tim
Ron Downing
Barbara Moran
Joyce and Scott Carpenter
Lynn Tirrell
Anne Stafford, son Bill very ill! and grandson Zach
Luella Brown
Claire Simas
Paul Mouratidis' Mom and Dad
Dave Ireradi's Dad and son Dano
Kari Lynch's aunt Evelyn, and brother-in-law
Marj Zamanian's son-in-law's friend Brendon
Sue Wisniewski's Dad
Wynelle Scenna
Howie & Charlotte Blaney's daughter-in-law Carey
Kelly Sievert's brother, Geoff
Mark Flecchia's mother Vivian
Jean Bastos
Rev. Elizabeth King
Jan Blandino
Bobbie Martino
Barbara Garland
Jessy McNeil's brother Mel and sister Grace
Henry Knopp
Dot Drinkwater
Everett Langley's brother George
John Heald's sister Susan & Mom
Jim Mungillo

Prayers to all those in India dealing with COVID
Those affected by Gun Violence

***If any are doing better please let us know if we can remove
from our prayer list***

Our First Responders! Our caregivers!

Urgent Care workers!

Military here and abroad!

BE SAFE!

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