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



COMMUNICATION!

Join us in person or join us on Zoom

UPCOMING WORSHIP*

October 17 Worship at 10:30am

Guest Preacher:	Rev. Dr. Megan Snell
Guest Organist:	Judy Carlson
Music/Solo:	Debbie Claar
Lay Leader:	Lucy Damiani
Head Usher:	Chris Stahlinski
Usher:	Dave McNeil
Greeter:	Deb Glancy
Collector:	Everett Langley
Flowers:	
Nursery:	
Coffee Hour:	Aline Beck
Sunday School:	Deb Raymond

Rev. Dr. Megan Osborn Snell is a UCC clergyperson in the metro Boston area. Rev Dr. Snell often preaches in the Boston area as well as in other regions throughout the country. Rev. Dr. Snell's research, writing, and speaking centers on the intersection of mental health and Mainline Protestant Christian communities. Rev. Dr. Snell holds an MDiv from Andover Newton Theological School (now Andover Newton Seminary at Yale), a DMin from the Pacific School of Religion and will be starting a PhD program at the University of Scotland at Aberdeen in 2022. Rev. Dr. Snell enjoys hiking, spending time with family, board games, and travel.

Rev. Snell will be joining us through November 21st!

TO JOIN US VIA ZOOM LIVESTREAM!

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, **our Lay Leader**, 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*, <u>uccburlington@gmail.com</u> or call the office 781-272-4547.

Thank you.

*Here is the link for worship: <u>https://us04web.zoom.us/j/756975189</u>

PLEASE READ THROUGH ALL THE ARTICLES IN THIS WEEKLY!



Greetings UCC Burlington!

SOME THINGS TO KNOW

Please leave your mask on for the entirety of the service. There will be parts of the service where you'll be invited to participate and all participation is optional according to your comfort level.

We will have time for coffee and conversation after the service in Sewall Hall. Just go through the doors at the front of the Sanctuary and walk straight down to Sewall Hall.

We will no longer pass the infamous red Friendship Pads. Instead, those of you who are worshipping with us in person have a **Friendship Slip attached to your bulletin**. Please take a moment to fill this out and put it in the basket during the collection of the offering. This will help us keep track of attendance, and, in the very unlikely event of a COVID outbreak, it will help us with contract tracing.

We will also share our worship service on Zoom as we have every Sunday. Join us!

Rides to Church Needed!

As you read the above information from our Deacons Committee, we are reopening our church for in-person worship starting July 11th. Our beloved church member, Alan, is eager to join us for worship but he will need a ride. He lives in Waltham and he is vaccinated! If you have any questions, you're welcome to reach out to Dave Ierardi (508) 692-8584. Thank you!

SUNDAY FLOWERS

Now that we are back in our sanctuary, we want to beautify our space once again with fresh flowers. Please contact Bobbie in the church office if you'd like to donate flowers in honor or memory of someone. The cost is \$30 and you can take them with you after the service or choose to have them donated to someone in our community.







SOLOISTS FOR WORSHIP

We are seeking soloists for our summer worship services! If you would like to lend your talents to our music ministry, please get in touch with Joe Stoddard, he would love to work with you!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE PUMPKIN PATCH

The pumpkins have arrived at St. Mark's Church. Over 1,400 pumpkins! There are orange and white ones, large and small. Unusual gourds and lots of tiny hand sized pumpkins.

The pumpkin patch needs coverage on several more days. **The UCC has volunteered to cover Thursday October 28**. If you can help sell pumpkins on that Thursday please let Karen Butler know what times you are available. Time slots are 1:30 to 3, 3 t o 4:30 and 4:30 to 6. Thanks for supporting this very good cause.

All proceeds go to help People Helping People Pantry. PHP provide Thanksgiving food for our community.

Hours are: Mon-Fri noon-6pm / Sat & Sun 11-6pm.

Shop locally out of doors and give to a great cause!





FALL ONLINE AUCTION

October 17-October 23rd

We're happy to be holding our second ONLINE AUCTION very soon! We're excited about all the items that have been donated by so many of you and our local businesses.

Here are the details:

The auction will be live online <u>from</u>**Sunday**, **Oct.**, **17th** - **Saturday**, **Oct. 23rd**. You'll receive the website link for the auction a couple of days before it begins, and it will be accessible from our church website. You'll also receive email notifications regarding your bidding status. As the auction nears its end, you'll need to keep an eye on your items to see if you've been outbid. All payments will be received through credit cards online.

Donations include the following and much more:

Several gorgeous timeshares and rentals. Hundreds of dollars in gift cards to restaurants, florists, salons, liquor stores, golf courses, masonry, and more. Baskets galore with a myriad of fillings. Pet sitting for your lovable cats and kittens. Homemade pies in time for Thanksgiving. Handmade items by some very crafty people. Autographed photos and books by two famous celebrities. Autographed baseballs by two Red Sox closers. Free lodging for a week at one of 5 Elite Island Resorts in the Bahamas. Wine tasting for 20 at Total Wine. Our goal is to raise \$9000.

We encourage you to share the auction website far and wide and invite friends, neighbors and family members to participate.



IN-GATHERING FOR NOVEMBER!

We will be holding a *drive-through food drive on Saturday, November 20th from 10am -2pm at UCC for Thanksgiving items!* If you are unable attend church in person on In-Gathering Sunday, November 21st, but would still like to donate Thanksgiving food, you may bring your donations to the food drive. There will be attendants there to take your donations straight from your car!

The requested items are: chicken broth, cornbread mix, stuffing (bags or boxes), canned corn, mayonnaise, gravy, and cranberry sauce. .

INTERIM PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE

Thank you to those who have volunteered to serve on the Interim Pastor Search Committee: Karen Ciardi, Mark Omobono, Deb Raymond, Marcia Rich and Chris Sthalinski. The alternate is Lee Tirrell. We will welcome Rev. Ed Koonz as our Inerim Pastor beginning on November 28th. Pastor Ed lives in Nashua NH with his with Barbara. They have 3 grown children and 2 granddaughters. There is a wonderful writeup in the October Hilltop, be sure to take a peek.



MOWING FOR BURLINGTON RESIDENTS

Burlington's Jay Barnes and others will mow your lawn for free if you are a Burlington resident in need. Examples of being a resident in need: Financial distress, elderly, veteran, single parent, or injured.

For additional information, Jay can be reached at <u>Jay.B.Barnes@gmail.com</u>, or either on Facebook at Buy Nothing Burlington, MA, and Burlington, MA Resident's Network.

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 (<u>debglancy03@gmail.com</u>). 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.



CRAFTING FOR A CAUSE

C4C continues to meet on a weekly basis and hopes to meet outside all of September, weather permitting.

The need for prayer shawls continues and we try to always have several in the conference room closet. We wiull donating some handmade items for the Auction this fall and as always, we will give away scarves, hats, children's items and fingerless mittens in December.

We have received several bags of yarn so we have more yarn if you would like to knit a scarf or hat.

C4C had been given a lot of both straight and double pointed knitting needles. If you need needles please contact Susan Eby about these.

Join Zoom Meeting on Thursdays at 1pm

https://zoom.us/j/95879026186?pwd=NVBJdlZmQWZzOG94UzNWSFNuZlhHQT09

Meeting ID: 958 7902 6186

Passcode: 01803

Thanks for your support of the Missions committee.



DONATIONS NEEDED!

The LOWELL TRANSITIONAL LIVING CENTER is always in need of the following for the fall season:

Specific items needed for just MEN:

Jeans, sweat-shirts, underwear, socks, heavy winter coats

Leave these items under the coatrack right inside the red doors to our building. Drop off to the church office. Clothing will be delivered MID-MONTH.



Pastoral Care

If you are in need of pastoral care please be sure to call the church office and we will return your call as soon as possible.

Financial Assistance

If you or your family experienced 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 <u>debglancy03@gmail.com</u> if you could use financial support. All requests are kept confidential.

People Helping People

If you or your family could benefit from receiving food through the food pantry, please contact the food pantry at 781-270-6625 or <u>burlingtonpantry@gmail.com</u>. 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.



- 1 Roberta Low
- 2 Rob Costa
- 2 Paul McDonough
- 3 David Leonard
- 4 Precious Kabagahya
- 19 Adric Tredeau
- 20 Nicholas Turgiss
- 21 Gary Stahlinski
- 22 Deana Tredeau
- 25 Joan Proctor
- 27 Julie Lewis
- 28 Karen Calandrelli
- 31 Steve Fennelly

MONTESSORI SCHOOL-DOWNSTAIRS Monday-Friday from 8-6pm!

SEWALL HALL RENTERS

AA MEETING MONDAYS 6:30-9PM

SCOUTS THURSDAYS 7-9pm

MARTIAL ARTS Various days and times during the week

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



Rob Costa Tom Killilea, brother Jim, and their nephew Andrew who passed unexpectedly Joe Stoddard's passing of his Aunt Nancy Oliver, his Mom Lillian Paul Mouratidis' Father with hospice Alan Wright's cousin Tim Ron and Carol Downing Barbara Moran Joyce and Scott Carpenter Anne Stafford Luella Brown Dave Ieradi's Dad and son Dano Sue Wisniewski's Dad 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

All those people in Haiti!

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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