

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



COME AND WORSHIP WITH US!

All are Welcome! All are Loved!

Join us in person or join us on Zoom

Sunday mornings at 10:30AM

Joining us on Zoom!

You can find the link easily on our website:

uccburlington.org

UPCOMING WORSHIP*

October 30 Worship Red Wagon (see list below)

Pastor:	Rev. Ed Koonz
Organist:	Aline Beck
Lay Leader:	Lucy Damiani
Head Usher:	Deb Glancy
Ushers:	Chris Stahlinski
Greeter:	Chris Stahlinski
Flowers:	Nancy Davis
Collector:	Marcia Rich
Nursery:	
Sunday school:	Deb Raymond
Coffee Hour:	Chris Stahlinski

November 6 Communion Worship

Pastor:	Rev. Ed Koonz
Organist:	Aline Beck
Lay Leader:	Sally Willard
Head Usher:	Dave McNeil
Usher:	Chris Stahlinski
Greeter:	Bev Maher

Mums:	Deacons
Collector:	Dick Butler
Nursery:	
Sunday School:	Deb Raymond
Coffee Hour:	Jan McSheffrey

UPCOMING THIS WEEK

Oct 26 Choir Rehearsal 7pm
Oct 27 Crafting for a Cause 1pm
Oct 30 Worship-Red Wagon-Baptism
 Sunday School mini Halloween Party

Red Wagon needs for the Burlington Pantry.
Please bring what you can to worship on Sunday!

Coffee-Tea-Cocoa
Flour-Sugar
Jelly-Condiments
Pancake mix and syrup
Facial tissue
Toilet Paper

Join us for coffee and conversation each Sunday after worship going forward!

***Here is the link for Zoom**

worship: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/756975189>

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, uccburlington@gmail.com or call the office 781-272-4547.

Thank you.

PLEASE READ THROUGH ALL THE
UPDATED ARTICLES IN THIS WEEKLY



Dear Congregants,

Mask Policy Update

Wearing masks will be optional for all church events, including Sunday services. This decision has been made based on input from members of the congregation as well as a recommendation from parish council. Although masks will be optional, we encourage people to continue to wear masks and remain at home if they

have symptoms or have been exposed to the virus. Remember, you may not have symptoms when you are infected with COVID-19.

Covid-19 will be with us for awhile and we need to continue our efforts to prevent its spread in the community. We encourage everyone to get vaccinated and boosted if you are able. There is a diversity of perspectives about wearing masks; please respect the decisions people make concerning this issue. While we assume this change in policy will be permanent, we will re-evaluate the mask policy if the rate or severity of infection increases in the future. We will continue to livestream our worship services and post recordings each week.

Coffee Hour

Also, food can once again be served during coffee hour. Coffee hour volunteers are not expected to provide food. To ease the work of the coffee hour volunteer, people who bring food for coffee hour will be responsible for setting and cleaning it up., Leftovers must be given away or taken home; no food can be left in the kitchen, refrigerator, or freezer. We also encourage people to bring individually wrapped items or serve the food to individuals while wearing gloves and using proper kitchen utensils.

“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” – John 13:34-35

PASTORAL CARE-PASTOR ED KOONZ

If you have a need for Urgent Pastoral Care, contact Pastor Ed anytime via phone or text at: 603-620-4498.

If you'd like to have Pastoral Conversation with Pastor Ed at your home or in the office, please contact him via text, phone, or email: (RevEd85@aol.com) to make an appointment.

OUR SEARCH COMMITTEES

We recently commissioned Search Committee Members:

Pastor Search:

Jan Costa, Co-Chair

Anna Karwan, Co-Chair

Carol Downing

Sam Flecchia

Julie Lewis

Laura Nowell

Caitlin Spearson

Director of Music Ministries:

Aline Beck

Karen Calandrelli

John Getsinger

Marcia Rich

Joan Zink

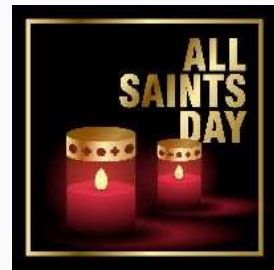
Wish them well as they proceed to the next steps in filling some very big shoes!!!

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS NEEDED!

If you can volunteer to be Lay Leader, Head Usher, Usher, Greeter, Coffee Host or Nursery, please be sure to signup on the Signup.com site.

ALL SAINTS/SOULS SUNDAY-NOVEMBER 6TH

On All Souls Communion Sunday, November 6th, we will be remembering, in prayer, loved ones and friends, as well as church members, who have died during the past year since last November. If you would like the name of a loved one or friend listed in the bulletin on this Sunday, please let Bobbie know.



PUMPKIN PATCH

The Pumpkins have arrived at Saint Marks Church lawn. These pumpkins have come from New Mexico. All the proceeds from the sale of the Pumpkin goes to PHP to support the annual Thanksgiving baskets given out to PHP clientele.

Pumpkin at the Pumpkin Patch will be open through October 30. The hours are Monday to Thursday 12 to 6, Friday 12 to 7 and Weekends 11 to 6.

WISH PROJECT

Missions thanks Sarah Clark who transported the 5 bags of donated clothing to The Wish Project in Chelmsford. We will continue to accept donated clothing that is free of stains, holes and freshly washed. Due to space considerations the Wish Project asks that all donations be seasonally (winter) appropriate. At the end of October, we will again send the clothing you have donated to the Wish Project.

There is a bin under the coat rack for your donations.

Missions thanks you for your donations!



Upcoming Community Meal

Presbyterian Church

335 Cambridge Street, Burlington

The last Wednesday of the Month

The Presbyterian Church in Burlington invites our neighbors who live or work in Burlington and nearby towns to gather with us at our FREE, monthly community dinners.

Come, and join your neighbors to share food and conversation, and build connections with others in the community. There are no presentations or planned activities. Meals are free and open to the public; no donation of food or money or registration is required. This is not a religious or fund-raising event; those of any religious faith, or none, are welcome.

Meals are home-made, with vegetarian and gluten-free options. Dinner begins at 5:30pm and is served until 7pm. To protect all participants, please wear a mask inside the building while not eating or drinking.

ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND!



**FAITH CLIMATE
JUSTICE VOTER**

**Only one month until Election Day!
Communicate your values of caring
for God's Creation, our Sacred
Earth, and protecting our children's
future by being a Faith Climate
Justice Voter!**



CRAFTING FOR A CAUSE

Fall is lovely but the days are a little cool for knitting out of doors. We are going to try alternating between in person meetings in Sewall Hall and meeting via Zoom this winter. This week we will meet at church in Sewall Hall. Masks are optional. The project for October are hats and scarves to add to the City Missions Coat Drive.

COAT DRIVE

City Missions is asking for NEW winter coats, hats, gloves and scarves from infant to XX-LARGE sizes. There is a bin at church. Deadline is mid-November so we can get coats to all before the cold weather arrives.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

This is the last week to donate old unsigned Christ cards. They need to be sorted and packaged for mailing next weekend. We thank you for the hundreds of cards already donated. The cards will either go to St. Jude's Ranch or to the Billerica House of Correction.

PUMPKIN PATCH

Missions thanks the over 17 people who helped cover the Pumpkin Patch in the past two weeks. It takes many Church members to work on Church activities to make them successful.

CALLED TO CARE

There is a pile of "thinking of you" and "sympathy" cards for your use on the table outside the Church Office. They were found in the Christmas cards donated to Missions. Please take some cards use them in y9our supportive writing work.

RED WAGON

Reminder that October 30 the Red Wagon will roll again and collect non-perishable donations for the Burlington Pantry. Requested items are in the October Hilltop. Bring items to church that day!

Helping Those in Need



BURLINGTON PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE PANTRY

Our Red Wagon will roll once again!

The last Sunday of the month we ask folks to bring in items that are needed at the Burlington Pantry. During worship we will bring items forward.

Needed this month are the following items

Coffee, Tea, Cocoa

Flour

Sugar

Jelly

Side dishes such as Rice-a-roni, etc.

Condiments

Pancake mix

Pancake syrup

Facial tissue

Toilet paper

For more information about the Pantry
click on the link below:

<https://peoplehelpingpeopleinc.org/#>



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 debglancy03@gmail.com 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 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.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

- 1 Roberta Low
- 2 Rob Costa
- 2 Paul McDonough
- 3 David Leonard
- 3 Precious Kabagahya
- 5 Nicholas Ciardi
- 8 Joan Zink
- 19 Adric Tredeau
- 20 Nicholas Turgiss
- 21 Gary Stalinski
- 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 6:30-9pm

Dinner Rentals

Various Days and Times

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



***PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT AND LOOK THROUGH OUR LIST!
IF DOING BETTER LET US KNOW THE POWER OF PRAYER!***

Joyce Carpenter's brother Bob and niece Cindy

Anne Stafford and son Bill

Jan Costa's friend Heidi Kirby

Jan Blandino's Son-in-law Rick

Sarah and Ryan Clark

Jane Raymond

Jessy McNeil's brother Mel hospitalized! and sister Grace

Ginger Mungillo's daughter Cindy Surette and Ginger's son Jim

Sheila Vitale-extra prayers

Jean Williamson

Joe Stoddard's Mom Lillian and sister-in-law Joy Stoddard

Marilyn Langley and friend Mary Chase

Shirley Garside's daughter Lynn Larsen

Sally Mansfield's son, Mark

Tom Killilea and brother Jim
Alan Wright's cousin Tim
Barbara Moran
Luella Brown
Kelly Sievert
Mark Flecchia's mother Vivian
Jean Bastos
Rev. Elizabeth King
Jan Blandino
Barbara Garland
Henry Knopp
John Heald's sister Susan & Mom
Gun Violence!
Mother Earth
Our Nation

Our First Responders! Caregivers!
Military here and abroad!

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