

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



DECEMBER 9, 2018 *Second Sunday in Advent*

Carol Sing begins at 10:20am
Worship-Sunday School-Love Offering 10:30am

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

December 9 -Second Sunday in Advent-Carol Sing 10:20am-Worship 10:30am

Lay Leader	Mark Flecchia
Head Usher:	Dave McNeil
Ushers:	Dave-Janine Towle-Lucy Damaini-Jane Raymond
Advent Readers:	Clark and Goodrich-Byers Families
Greeter:	Carol Downing
School:	Deb Raymonod-Jan McSheffrey
Nursery:	Kristen Watanabe-Paul Raymond
Flower Deliverer:	Bev Maher
Collector:	Carol Downing
Coffee Hour:	John Heald-Everett Langley
Bakers:	Everett-Shirley Fong-Barbara Leonard

December 16-Third Sunday in Advent-Christmas Pageant

Lay Leader	Chris Stahlinski
Head Usher	John Heald
Ushers	John-Everett Langley-Wynelle Scenna-Dave Ierardi
Greeter	Kay Shute
Advent Readers	Griep Family
School	Deb Raymond-Susan Eby
Nursery	Kristen Watanabe-Jan McSheffrey
Collector	Wynelle Scenna
Coffee Hour	CE
Bakers	CE-Deacons

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday December 4th

True North Pastor Hours 4-6pm

Deacons Meeting 7:15pm

Not Your Average Joe's Fundraiser - all day

Wednesday December 5th

C4C 1:00pm

Choir 7:15pm

Thursday December 6th

No True North Pastor Hours

Advent Book Study 7:30pm

Sunday December 9th

2nd Sunday of Advent

Carol Sing 10:20am

Worship-School-Love Offering 10:30am

Youth Choir noon

Missions Meeting noon



READERS NEEDED FOR OUR 7PM CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

We need 5 readers to read scripture at our 7pm Christmas Eve service. If you are interested, please be in touch with Angela at RevWells@UCCBurlington.org. All ages are invited to participate. Thank you.

INGATHERING SUNDAY FROM FINANCE & STEWARDSHIP

In-gathering Sunday is my favorite day of the church year, a sentiment I've heard from many of you. It is the day that the church and the wider community come together in the best run, and yet fun, beehive of activity to care for the community. A blessed day.

It is also a blessed day because it is the day that we collect your pledges and time and talent offerings. The Finance and Stewardship committee is happy to say that we have collected about 75% of the pledges that we expected. Please take a look at the poster of our church's goal which is now hung in the vestibule at the front of the church. We made a wonderful dent in meeting our goals, but we still have a ways to go. We are approximately \$26,300 shy from our pledge goal for the upcoming year.

On In-gathering Sunday many of you brought corn, chicken broth, stuffing and cranberry sauce. You may have also have brought your pledge cards and your time and talent forms. For those that have not determined yet what they can bring this year, we ask that you consider the church's needs and your abilities in the next few weeks. If anyone needs another packet, please let anyone from Finance and Stewardship know and we will get you one.

Thank you for serving our community and this wonderful church.

God bless you,

Gail Ciano

Other members to ask for a packet include:

John Heald

Kari Lynch

John Getsinger

POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS!

If you would like to order a plant to have at our: Christmas Sunday December 23rd, Christmas Eve December 24th services please be sure to fill out a form (in your Hilltop) or at coffee hour.

The cost of each plant is \$10.00 Be sure to let us know who it would be in memory/honor/celebration of and if you would like to take your plant AFTER our Christmas Eve Services.

DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 16th



**CHRISTMAS POTLUCK LUNCHEON
DECEMBER 19 AT NOON IN SEWALL HALL**

**Join us for a Potluck Luncheon to celebrate the joys of Christmas.
If you can bring something, let us know! From a main dish, sides, salads,
deserts...there is a signup sheet at coffee hour.
Come one and all and enjoy each others company!**



**We all know how important coffee hour is following
worship We are in need of folks to HOST on Sunday
morning. Janine Towle is our coordinator and she would
be more than happy to give you guidelines for
hosting. This would make it easier to spread out
scheduling.**

Email Janine at msjaninetowle@gmail.com



**The Deacons
would like to thank
all those people who took the
time to shop for Mom and her baby boy
to help bring some Christmas cheer to their family.
Please return your item with the index card (UNWRAPPED)
to the office *by December 9th*
Place in the
BLUE BIN
Church Office
Thank you!**



**NOT YOUR AVERAGE JOE'S FUNDRAISER TO BENEFIT
UCC
WAYSIDE COMMON
BURLINGTON, MA**

**December 4- Today!
December 11- Tuesday
December 18- Tuesday
December 26- Wednesday**

Grab your family, friends, co-workers and enjoy lunch/dinner on the above

dates and 15% of your food bill will be donated to the church. How easy is that! **Just take the flyer with you** (found at coffee hour) **or click on the link below** and print it out. ***Present it to your server and be sure the bill reflects the fundraiser.***

https://gallery.mailchimp.com/36bf9f76d4a18679d041688fd/files/fc42673e-7196-46ad-bb82-07044b35831e/joes_2018.docx

Merry Christmas to us and the church!

Any questions, please see Deb Raymond.

JUST A REMINDER.....

WE HAVE RENTERS USING SEWALL HALL WEEKLY

MONDAYS	7:30-9PM	AA MEETING
TUESDAYS	6:30-8PM	RAA MEETING (2nd & 4th Tuesday)
WEDNESDAYS	7-9pm	SCOUTS
THURSDAYS	6:30-7:30PM	PRIVATE GROUP MTG

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



**LTLC - Lowell Shelter is in need
of the following items
for MEN and WOMEN**

Used or new, Mens and Womens:

Most Critical:

Winter Jackets

Boots

Warm socks

Gloves

Jeans

Sweatshirts with hoods

Less critical:

All other adult sized clothing

There will be a bin outside the church
office if you can donate any items.

Thank you!



COAT BOSTON

(Coats for Elementary Age Children)

Missions will be collecting **new winter coats** for elementary age children. There will be a blue bin marked outside the church office area. **Deadline is December 9th!**

DON'T HAVE TIME TO SHOP FOR A COAT. CAN YOU JUST DONATE MONEY?

Yes! Visit www.citymissionboston.org/give or send a check to City Mission, Inc., 185 Columbia Road, Suite 317, Boston, MA 02108 (Please make it payable to City Mission, Inc.)

For questions, please call 617.742.6830.

CRAFTING FOR A CAUSE C4C

C4C will meet on December 5 and 12.
On December 19th we will be part of the
potluck holiday luncheon.

No meeting on December 26th but we will start the New
Year with a meeting on January 2.




BURLINGTON PANTRY IS IN NEED!

The Burlington Food Pantry currently helps 13 families with children under the age of 2.

They are in need of diapers (sizes 3, 4, 5) and wipes.

If you are able to donate please bring to church anytime and place into the BLUE bin outside the church office.

Thanks so much!



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION/NURSERY



We are in need of coverage in our Nursery on
Sunday and especially on Christmas Eve
at the 7pm Service.

Please contact Donna Flecchia at dmflec@gmail.com

**For Sunday School see the signup sheet
at coffee hour!**



Children's Choir Schedule

Rehearsals take place after worship on Sundays

12-12:30pm

Join us!

The Adult Choir Needs You! Wednesday nights 7:15pm

We would love singers in all sections to help enrich our musical offerings,
especially for Christmas Eve. Come help us all get into the Christmas spirit!

Youth Choir CD's

From Our Hearts, our recent Youth Choir CD, makes a great Christmas gift!
It features Kristen Harder, Laura Harder, and Diana Sears, directed and accompanied by

Joe Stoddard. The price is \$15 per CD, with all proceeds going directly to the Special Music Fund to offset the cost of the production of the CD. Contact Joe Stoddard.

Keep in touch!

Email: music@uccburlington.org

Twitter: @uccbmusic

Facebook: www.facebook.com/burlingtonchoirs

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



TRUE NORTH PASTOR HOURS

Angela has resumed her hours at True North Coffee Shop. Once a month, on the first Thursday, her hours will be cancelled because she has a conflicting meeting at that time. Don't hesitate to stop by for coffee (or tea!) and conversation!

True North Hours

Tuesday, December 4th 4-6pm

Tuesday, December 6th No Pastor Hours



Prayer Concerns

***If any of the people listed below are doing better, please let us know.
The list is long and we are praying some are on the mend
and our prayers have helped!***

Lee Tirrell
Shirley Garside
J. Beyers (Relative of Kate)
Lucy and Rollie Damiani's brother-in-law Vito "Chickie" Bucco
Dave Willaimson
Deb Glancy's Aunt Rosemarie
Rev. Elizabeth King (call office if you would like her address)
Jan Blandino and her great-grandson Brandon
Tom Killilea
Extra prayers needed for Aimee Tredeau's friend Amanda
Nancy Todd's Mom
Fred Garside
Anna Karwan's Mom
Anne Stafford and grandsons Tyler and Zach
Marion Braley Freeman and her niece Beth
Bobbie Martino
Barbara Garland
Conrad Fong
Steve Fennelly
Ann Onthank
Jessy McNeil's brother Mel and sister Grace
Henry Knopp
Bobbie & Tom's friends John, Joy, Ed (all dealing with cancer)
Dot Drinkwater

Ruth Reddig
Everett Langley's brother George
John Heald's sister Susan & Mom
Ginger Mungillo's son, Jim

*So much violence here and worldwide
Keep all those people in your prayers!*
Spread love and peace!

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