

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



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

NOVEMBER 8, 2020

ZOOM LIVESTREAM WORSHIP

10:30AM

*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!*

UPCOMING WORSHIP*

November 8 - Zoom Livestream at 10:30am

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

November 15 - Zoom Livestream at 10:30am

Pastor: Rev. Angela Wells-Bean
Organist: Joe Stoddard, Jr.
Lay Leader: Debbie Claar

Music: Laura Nowell
Sunday School: Deb Raymond

***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

**PLEASE READ THROUGH ALL THE ARTICLES IN
THIS WEEKLY!**



We are not having a Fall Family Fair this year, which is very sad, but we have found a way to adapt. We are going to have an **ONLINE AUCTION!**

Here are the auction details:

It will be live online from Nov. 7th-Nov. 14th. You'll receive the website link for the auction a few days before it begins, and it will be accessible from our church website. **Look for a special email with UCC ONLINE AUCTION on the memo line!**

On Saturday, Nov. 14th at 7pm we will have a Zoom Auction Party on our church Zoom link! We'll go through the items one by one, announcing winners and encouraging people to bid higher! If you can't participate in the Zoom party, that's okay, all the bidding will take place through the website. As the auction nears its end, you'll need to keep an eye on your items to see if you've been outbid. You'll also receive email notifications regarding your bidding status.

All payments will be received through credit cards online.

We encourage you to share the auction website far and wide and invite friends, neighbors and family members to participate. However, each item will say whether it can be shipped or not. Some items will have to be picked up at church, something to be mindful of for bidders who are not local.

ANTI-RACISM ACCOUNTABILITY GROUP CONTINUING

The Zoom Anti-Racism Accountability Group is going strong. Thank you to everyone who has been participating. We are moving to meeting bi-weekly rather than every week.

We'll meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7pm.

You can drop in at any time. The upcoming dates are as follows:

Nov. 4th, Nov. 18th, Dec. 2nd and Dec. 16th. Please email Pastor Angela if you'd like to participate

and she will send you the Zoom link. We'd love to have you join us.



SOCIAL/SPIRITUAL DISTANCE SCHEDULE in SEWALL HALL

Remember to wear your MASK

Topic	Day	Date	Time	Significant
Favorite Bible Passages	Tuesday	November 10th	10AM	Rev.

Favorite Bible Passages	Wednesday	November 11 th	7PM	Rev.
Jeopardy Tournament	Saturday	November 14 th	6PM	Deb
Social Distancing Gathering	Friday	November 20 th	9:30am	Chri
Jeopardy Tournament	Saturday	December 5 th	6pm	Deb



FOOD DRIVE NOVEMBER 7TH 10-2pm at

St. MARKS CHURCH

AND

INGATHERING SUNDAY NOVEMBER 22ND

In lieu of our Thanksgiving food collection at UCC this year, the Burlington Food Pantry will be holding a town-wide food drive to collect the goods for In-Gathering Sunday.

The food drive will take place on Saturday, November 7th from 10am - 2pm. Please bring your Thanksgiving donations to St. Mark's at 10 St. Mark's Rd, Burlington, to be dropped off straight from your car in this drive-through style food drive. As a reminder, the items we collect for In-Gathering Sunday are:

stuffing (bags or boxes)

cranberry sauce

gravy

chicken broth

canned corn

cornbread mix

mayonnaise

We are also asking for two volunteers to pick up food from our congregants who may not be able to make it to the food drive on November 7th.

Please contact Deana Tredeau at deanatredeau@gmail.com or 781-835-5550 if you can volunteer to drive around to pick up donations on November 7th, or if you need someone to pick up your donations from your house.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Julie Lewis will be scheduling our volunteers. Please review the volunteer needs below. To volunteer, please contact Julie, 617-281-8670, email jalewis@gmail.com.

Saturday, 11/7, 11am-2pm - 2 people to sort and store canned/boxed goods (heavy lifting)

Saturday, 11/21, 1pm-4pm - 4 people to sort Produce items into smaller bags (light to moderate duty)

Saturday, 11/21, 1pm-4pm - 6 people to pack canned and boxed goods into shopping bags (moderate lifting) could be 2-3 teens

Sunday, 11/22, 12pm-2pm - 8 people to make deliveries (moderate lifting)

Sunday, 11/22, 1:30pm-5pm - 6 people for carrying bags to car, loading bags from hall into carts, etc (moderate and heavy lifting)

Sunday, 11/22, 5pm-7pm - 4 people for cleanup crew (heavy lifting)

RETIRING MEDICAL DEBT INITIATIVE

Thousands of New England households struggling with medical bills will have a weight lifted from their shoulders, thanks to the United Church of Christ, which just announced that it had bought up \$26.2 million in medical debt. Missions would like to remind you that our congregation contributed to this inspiring undertaking. Early this year we used carried-over 2019 funds to donate \$2000 to this initiative. SNEUCC teams up with the NY-based non-profit RIP Medical Debt (ripmedicaldebt.org) to pay off medical debt for pennies on the dollar. 7,175 households, along with first responders and medical workers, were relieved of this financial and emotional burden. This debt abolishment targets those living at or below the poverty guidelines, people for whom there is no reasonable expectation that they would ever be able to recover alone.

Together we are all trying to fulfill our mission to respond to the needs of the world with practical deeds of love.



WINE ORDERS - PROCEEDS COME TO THE CHURCH!

With most of us are dining in these days - ever wonder what wine goes best with your fine home cooked meal or take out order? Jessy McNeil has joined with Scout and Cellar wine to start a fundraiser. These wines are pesticide free, sulfite free with no added sugar. They offer a variety of reds/white/blends and sparkling clean crafted wines. With

the holidays fast approaching and travel restrictions; would you consider visiting my website for stress-free gift shopping deliver at your doorstep! They also have 2-bottle gift packs which makes a wonderful holiday gift. All proceeds go towards our church fundraising goals. Orders over \$100 receive free shipping. You simply visit Jessy's website, place your order and your items will be delivered directly to you. Please reach out to her if you need assistance in ordering (508) 631-0025.

Thank you,

Jessy McNeil

scoutandcellar.com/jessymcneil

NEWS UPDATE FROM THE CRAFTERS

The C4C group will be meeting at church on Thursday afternoons 1pm. We will meet in outside, if nice, or indoors in Sewall Hall.

The group is looking for other crafters who would be able to make knitted or crocheted adult size hats and scarves and/or children size hats, mittens, scarves. These items will be donated to the Wish Tree for those folks connected to the Burlington Pantry. If you can make any please feel free to drop these off to the church office before December 6th. (Office is open Monday-Thursday 9-3pm)

There are masks and ear savers available to all who desire them. Bobbie has a supply in the office or you can email or call Susan Eby.



Pastor Angela - 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.

Church Office

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.

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.

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, 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.



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS!

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| 1 | Chris Silva |
| 2 | Billy Forbush |
| 3 | Elizabeth Silva |
| 5 | Scarlett Costa |
| 5 | Cameron Bonnell |
| 6 | Elizabeth Forbush |
| 6 | Ken Keyser |
| 10 | Geoffrey Fong |
| 11 | Keri Beyer |
| 18 | Aline Beck |
| 19 | Marcia Rich |

21 Thelma Tibbitts
21 Jeremy Todd
21 Barbara Nee
22 Rollie Damiani
23 Carol Downing
29 Kiera Egan
29 Liam Egan

MONTESSORI SCHOOL-DOWNSTAIRS

Monday-Friday from 8-6pm!

SEWALL HALL RENTERS

MONDAYS 6:30-9PM AA MEETING

**WEDNESDAYS 7-9pm SCOUTS - meeting elsewhere outside; while
the weather holds up**

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



Congratulations to Jan Costa with good news of remission!

Laura's Nowell-Corwin's friend Walter

The Lewis Family

Wynelle Scenna
Lynn & Lee Tirrell's brother-in-law Don
Scott Carpenter
Charlotte Blaney's daughter-in-law Carey
Pastor Angela's Mom Kim
David Ierardi's parents, son Dano and his partner Alisha
Prayers for Brianna, lost her boyfriend in a car crash and
her grandmother is very sick with COVID
Kelly Sievert's brother, Geoff
Friend of Aimee Tredeau, Mercedes and her kids, Malki and Zaire
Pastor Bruce recovering from acute leukemia
Mark Flecchia's mother Vivian who recently fell
Carol and Ron Downing's brother Charlie, hospitalized and Carol's sister-in-law Joan
Barbara Leonard
Claire Simas and her grandson
Anne Stafford, son Bill and grandson Zach
Joe Stoddard's mom Lillian
Betty and Woody Knowles, their friend Janet Hurley
Sarah Clark's mother-in-law Sandra
Roberta Low's friend Doug
Anna Karwan and her family
Joyce Carpenter's Nephew
Bill Beyer's sister Jane Moberg and friend Frank
Kendra Griep's grandfather
Luella Brown
Alan Wright's friend Seth's Dad
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

All our mentioned *SAINTS*!
All our Poll Workers!
Our First Responders! Our caregivers!
Urgent Care workers!
Military here and abroad!
BE SAFE!

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