

**UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST,
CONGREGATIONAL
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SUNDAY'S THEME

Lord, Lift Us Up!

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

EASTER WEEK

APRIL 1 2021

**MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION SERVICE
VIA ZOOM AT 7PM
(HAVE YOUR CANDLE, BREAD AND DRINK)**

APRIL 4 2021

**SUNRISE SERVICE AT 6:30AM
ON THE CHURCH LAWN AND VIA ZOOM

EASTER FESTIVAL COMMUNION SERVICE
AT 10:30AM VIA ZOOM
(HAVE BREAD AND DRINK READY)**

*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*

April 1 Maundy Thursday Service Zoom at 7pm (candle and communion)

Pastor: Interim Pastor Rev. Ginger Bove
Organist: Joe Stoddard, Jr.
Lay Leader: Deb Glancy
Music: Debbie Claar and Lee Tirell
Violinist: Lisa Brooke

April 4 Easter Sunrise Service 6:30am Live outside on the lawn and on Zoom

Wear a mask and social distancing is a must!

Pastor: Interim Pastor Rev. Ginger Bove
Worship Leader: Deb Raymond & Sunday School Children
Music: No singing, just music!

April 4 Easter Festival Service Zoom worship at 10:30am (communion)

Pastor: Interim Pastor Rev. Ginger Bove
Organist: Joe Stoddard, Jr.
Lay Leader: Debbie Claar
Music: Debbie Claar, Sarah Clark, Laura Nowell, Chris & Liz Silva
Trumpeter: Jay Daly
Sunday School: Deb Raymond

***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 will be our Interim Pastor from March 1st-May 31st while Pastor Angela is on parental leave. Her first Sunday leading worship will be March 7th. Welcome Ginger!

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

ONLINE GIVING THROUGH VANCO

Donations for Easter are a little easier this year.

We are now able to donate through Vanco!

All you need to do is go to our Giving web page, uccburlington.org/giving/ and select Online Giving to get started. You can still send in a donation by mail. Our Easter donation will be split between People Helping People and our Church Sustenance.

Also we are now making it easy to make a donation in memory of loved ones.

We have setup a Vanco account for both Ruth Reddig and Betty Knowles.

Just go to uccburlington.org/giving/

They will be missed by many!



Donating Your Stimulus

A church member recently contacted the church to tell us that they're going to donate their stimulus funds to People Helping People or Rosie's Place, since they have been minimally impacted by the Coronavirus. This is a friendly reminder that if you don't need your stimulus money, there are many worthwhile organizations who would greatly appreciate your generosity.

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.



CRAFTING FOR A CAUSE

**Due to the increase in COVID cases we have decided to meet on ZOOM
at 1pm on Thursdays. The Link is below:**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/95879026186?pwd=NVBjdZmQWZzOG94UzNWSFNuZlhHQTo9>

Meeting ID: 958 7902 6186

Passcode: 01803

**Thank you to all who made hats, gloves and scarves for the Lowell
Transitional Center!**

HATS/SCARVES for the HOMELESS

If you are a knitter or can crochet you could be creative and make hats or scarves for the homeless who are serviced by the Lowell transitional center or for the homeless veterans. C4C has patterns and yarn if you need them. They will be in a box outside Bobbie's office. Or contact Susan Eby (mmoosie@hotmail.com). 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:

Warm coats - Sweat shirts - gloves
heavy socks - jeans

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 on the 15th of April.



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.



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Alan Beck
- 5 Martha Ursino
- 7 Brody Bonnell
- 9 Kristen Costa
- 10 Josephine Samarjian
- 11 Janine Towle
- 12 Barbara Leonard
- 12 Luella Brown
- 13 Tina Brierley
- 13 Pam Walker
- 13 Brad Bond
- 14 Josephine Ursino
- 15 Donald Walker
- 19 Janet Hooper
- 21 Shirley Fong
- 23 Jaime Cahoon
- 24 Oksana Turgiss
- 25 Allison Phillips
- 28 Kristen Harder
- 30 April Tate
- 30 Mark Forbush

MONTESSORI SCHOOL-DOWNSTAIRS

Monday-Friday from 8-6pm!

SEWALL HALL RENTERS

MONDAYS

6:30-9PM

AA MEETING

WEDNESDAYS 7-9pm

SCOUTS

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



Alan Wright's cousin Tim
John Heald
Ron Downing
Barbara Moran-failing eyesight
Rev. David and Sally Smith and extended family
Elaine Glancy-upcoming surgery
Joyce Carpenter
Lynn Tirrell
Anne Stafford, son Bill very ill! and grandson Zach
Luella Brown at Bear Hill
Claire Simas
Joe Stoddard's Mom, Lillian
Paul Mouratidis' Mom and Dad
Dave Ileradi'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
Scott Carpenter
Howie & Charlotte Blaney's daughter-in-law Carey
Kelly Sievert's brother, Geoff
Friend of Aimee Tredeau, Mercedes and her kids, Malki and Zaire
Mark Flecchia's mother Vivian
Barbara Leonard
Bill Beyer's sister Jane, friend Frank
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

***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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