



So You Know!



Sunday, September 13, 2015
Community Covenant Church

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THIS WEEK

Today	Prayer Walk	9:15 am
	Sunday School	9:45 am
	Worship Celebration	11:00 am
	Fellowship Time	12:15 pm
	Choir Rehearsal	12:20 pm
	Nominating Committee Meeting	12:20 pm
	Hi-League	5:00 pm
Tuesday	Leadership Team Meeting	7:00 pm
Thursday	<i>Play & Pray</i> Mothers' Group	9:30 am
Next Sunday		
	Sunday School	9:45 am
	Worship Celebration	11:00 am
	Fellowship Time	12:15 pm
	Blood Pressure Screening	12:20 pm
	Choir Rehearsal	12:20 pm

PRAYER WALK

GROW THE VISION-FULFILL THE MISSION

September 13th 9:15-9:45a.m.

Please join us as we pray and walk a circle around our church with God's promises. We will be praying unified petitions for our pastors, church leaders, ministries, current and future church family, our community and church financial concerns - involving God's will for us here at Community Covenant. Let's step out in faith and pray a circle around our church so that God can make His move. Prayer moves God and God moves mountains. We want to step into His miracles for CCCEB.

Candlelight Vigil



NATIONAL CANDLELIGHT VIGIL FOR DRUG & ALCOHOL AWARENESS

Please join EB's HOPE in Celebrating the Memory of those Lost to drug and Alcohol related Incidents and those Suffering from the Disease of addiction.

- September 17, 2015
- East Bridgewater Town Common
- 6:00 pm Opening Performance by East Bridgewater High School Choir

*Rain Date 9/24/15



WORSHIP CELEBRATION

NEXT SUNDAY, September 20th 11:00 am

- **Pastor Don Olson, preaching**
“Peacemakers Sowing in Peace”
Text: James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a
- **Mission Moment:** *WorldWide Heart to Heart*
- **God’s Word for God’s Children**

Childcare During Worship

Next Sunday, September 20th, Rachael Buckley and Andrea McCarthy will provide care in the Nursery. Beth Goad and Gabrielle Olson will be in the Toddler Room.

Children’s Church

Children’s Church is for children (Kindergarten - 3rd grades) during the second half of our worship celebration. The leaders on September 20th will be Ruth Carrigan and Kim Buschenfeldt.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

NEXT SUNDAY AFTER WORSHIP

All those interested are invited to the library following worship on Sunday, September 20th for a blood pressure check.

CARD SHOWER

Please send a card to our friend:

Pat Gillis

Hannah B. Shaw Home 10-S

299 Wareham Street

Middleboro, MA 02346

HI-LEAGUE TONIGHT

This Sunday, September 13, 5-7 p.m., our house, 8 Marvill Way, EB, steak tips and chicken on the grill, fire pit going, roasting marshmallows and in case all the marshmallows fall into the fire, dessert made by Becca Lavallo. Invite your friends, invite your frenemies, invite those kids you'd like to be friends with, invite those kids who'd like to be friends with you. We'll have water, lemonade, but no soda, so bring that if that's what you like. Let us know if you're coming...but even if you don't tell us...you're always welcome in our house and in God's Kingdom.

BE PART OF THE BRUNCH BUNCH

WHO? anyone 50 years of age and older
WHAT? a delicious brunch
WHEN? Saturday, October 3, 10:00 or so
WHERE? HERE!
WHY? To celebrate God’s Blessings of Harvest
Time with good food and good friends

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW. FOR NOW,
SAVE THE DATE!

EAST BRIDGEWATER SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

We are collecting school supplies for East Bridgewater’s Central School (K-3). The town has been struggling to provide adequate supplies due to budget cuts, and parents must make up for the shortfall by providing many of these items. Items needed include the following:

Multi-colored broad tip Expo markers
Crayola crayons
Hand Sanitizer (liquid or wipes)
Disinfecting antibacterial surface wipes
Band-Aids
Black broad tip Expo markers
Yellow Highlighters
Mechanical Pencils
White copy paper

Elmer’s glue sticks
Crayola Broad Line 8ct washable markers
Tissues
Headphones
#2 Ticonderoga pencils
Pencil Top Erasers
PaperMate EraserMate black pens
Pencil Top Erasers
Spiral Bound Wide-rule 1-subject Notebooks

A box is available in the narthex. Please see Jen Ambroceo with any questions. Thank you for your help.



FOR IMMEDIATE PRAYER NEEDS

To make a request, please call the church office at 508-583-3360 or e-mail to office@communitycovenant.com; or call Candi Keith at 508-583-1227 or e-mail to cskeith@comcast.net. Requests are forwarded to prayer chain participants.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Andrea McCarthy & family – grieving the death of Andrea’s grandfather, Frank Colosi, Sr., funeral Mass was on Monday, August 31
Jeanne Bell – home - rehabbing from knee (right) replacement on July 6
Connie Johansen – home – rehabbing from a broken hip due to a fall on July 27
Phil Gueli – home – undergoing tests for a bowel obstruction
Dave Buzzee –Algeria; working for Raytheon
Sharon Brown (Michelle Peebles' mother) – receiving treatment for breast cancer
Janet Cheney – receiving chemotherapy for recurrence of cancer
Tony Pinho – we thank God that Tony has found employment
John Baker (Leslie Baker’s brother) – requests prayer as he seeks employment
Marilyn (Ruth Pinho’s niece-in-law) – advanced cancer; married with 3 children (10, 8 & 7)
Susan Bolinder – receiving treatment for cancer
Katie Sandford – diagnosed with health issues
Shawn (Carl West’s 15-year-old grandson) – dealing with several issues
Theresa Guaraldi - undergoing tests to diagnose ongoing physical ailments
Our Global Mission – Byron & Susan Bruckner, Alaska
Our Ministry in the East Coast Conference – Rev. Kreig Gammelgard, East Coast Conference
Director of Congregational Vitality
Our Ministry at Community Covenant Church – Financial Secretary David Powers
Fran Stickney (Brad Stickney’s mother) – 92 years old; advanced Alzheimer’s
Bud Finch – Hannah B. Shaw Home, Middleboro
Pat Gillis – Hannah B. Shaw Home, Middleboro
Madelyn Newberg – Heights Crossing, Brockton
Carolyn Luther – home - with breathing issues
Evelyn Ostlund – Life Care Center, West Bridgewater - recovering from a broken arm
Marion Schill – Hannah B. Shaw Home, Middleboro
Marge Shurtleff – Emmanuel House, Brockton
Myrtle Tighe – The Arbors Assisted Living, Stoughton

WORSHIP WITHOUT WALLS

A few years ago, our church participated in an experience we called Worship Without Walls. This was a time, as the name suggests, that worship was experienced not within the confines of the sanctuary, but in and around the community. The Leadership Team has been talking about what it might look like if we were to create this unique worship opportunity again. So it is my job to find some volunteers! If you are interested in helping with the planning and organization of Worship Without Walls Part 2, please contact me!

Pastor Dave

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES

The children participating in *A Servant's Heart* will be collecting items for college care packages until Sept. 25. If you would like to donate small items or send encouraging cards to the undergraduates in our church family who are away from home, please place them in the box on the stage in the gym. Please label your items if you'd like them to go to a specific student. We will be putting the packages together on Sept. 25th. Packages will be going out to Jenna Leanes, Kim Humphrey-Kiger, Mike Hoppe, and Lindsay Buzzee. If you know of other students who are away from home and could use some encouragement, please see Betti Buzzee. We'd love to send them a package!

WELCOME BABY UPDATE

Thirteen East Bridgewater families received Welcome Baby gift bags on August 25. Esther Garland and Mabel Sawyer met with caregivers (including one of Erik Olson's former teachers) at seven homes. They were well received at each home and, as usual, these folks were touched by the thoughtfulness of our church family.

Many thanks to those who create booties, hats, small carriage robes and other items for these bags. The love and effort behind them speak volumes to those who receive them. Thanks also to those of you who support this outreach through prayer and encouraging words.

In Service to Him,
Nancy Ohlen, Welcome Baby Outreach Co-ordinator

2015 UPDATE FROM FINANCIAL OFFICER

Briefly looking at our financials through September 6, 2015:

Weekly Budgeted Giving	\$4,782	YTD Budgeted Giving	\$172,168
8/30/15 Actual Giving	\$3,522	YTD Actual Giving	\$152,686
9/6/15 Actual Giving	\$4,069	YTD Difference	(\$ 19,482)

For a more detailed look at the church's finances, see the Members' page on the church website. Feel free to direct questions to any member of the Leadership Team.

IT'S TIME FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL! RALLY DAY IS SEPTEMBER 13TH!!

"Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path." Psalm 119:105

Come one and all...you're never too old for Sunday School! Registration for children will begin at 9:15am. There will be a registration table set up just inside the entrance. Once their forms are filled out, one of our Jr./Sr. kids will bring them to their classes. All adults will begin in the sanctuary for an overview of the adult Sunday School classes. All classes, newborns through adults, begin at 9:45am. We'd love to see you!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES BEGIN...

September 13 – December 13, 2015

Be here. Now. Take some time. Think. Do you understand who you are? What you were called to do? Pause. Take it in. What is your community? Who is your church community? Where do you go to gather with other believers and study God's word? Do you have a presence? If you don't bother what would happen? Would you like to leave a mark? Would anyone notice? What steps are you taking to grow in Christ? Don't worry about the past. The future will come later. It's all about now. Here. Go all in. Sunday School. It's for life. Be rooted. Focus. Look at the big picture. Look at the small pictures. We need your undivided attention.

EPHESIANS

An Encounter with a Book in the Bible

Facilitator: Pastor Don Olson

Ephesians is a letter to today's church. It is about us. It describes human beings, their predicament, sin and delusion, but much more it describes God's reaching out to people to recreate and transform them into a new society. It shows who we are to become both individually and corporately with Christ. In God's Kingdom, we cannot separate the "me and the we." To summarize, it is about "identity formation." Specifically, our identity "in Christ." Come and claim your true identity.

SHARING THE STORY

Facilitator: Pastor Dave Capozzi

Everyone loves a good, compelling story, but so many of us are convinced that we don't have one to tell. This class, quite simply, will remind us that we do. Our aim is to encourage one another to hear and understand, not only our own personal stories, but our collective story as people who have been redeemed through Jesus the Messiah.

Join in the fun. Both classes are open to all adults (post High School – Senior Adult). **Sunday School is for all ages.** After all, we are all life-long learners. Sunday School is not just for children. God wants everyone to develop into mature followers of Jesus Christ. Here is a great opportunity to be on the learning/growing journey with Christ. See you in Sunday School.

Pastor Don Olson

Pastor Dave Capozzi

CCCEB SMALL GROUP MINISTRIES 2015-16

“And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.” Hebrews 10:24-25

Small Group Ministries at CCCEB exists so that each of us would grow deeper in our relationships with Christ and each other as we learn, support, worship, serve, and pray together. Our vision is to provide a point of connection within the church and the larger community where we may grow spiritually in our faith and knowledge of Christ; be encouraged, supported, and challenged; and feel a sense of belonging and our place in the larger body of Christ.

To sign up or learn more, please visit the Small Groups table in the multi-purpose room, speak with a group leader or with Katie Sandford, or contact the church office.

YOUNG ADULTS

Who is Jesus? **and** Who are we in light of him? The **TWO** young adult small groups will be tackling these foundational questions in pursuit of becoming a more faithful Christian community. The groups will share dinner together, followed by a time of conversation and encouragement. Childcare will be provided.

East Bridgewater group- 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month, 5-7pm, Pastor Dave and Jen Capozzi's home
Raynham group- 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month, 5-7pm, Melissa and Joe MacDonald's home

CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS

Confirmation is a discipling ministry for 7th & 8th grade students that is deeply rooted in our church's history. So what about us adults? If you did not have Confirmation as a teenager or it has been a few years since 8th grade, this is a small group for you. We will use the Evangelical Covenant Church's Confirmation/Discipleship as we do an overview of the whole Bible and Church history in chronological order. Since Confirmation is a two-year program, we will speed up the pace, noting key theological truths of the Christian faith. This will be a fun time of learning and growing in our relationship with Jesus Christ and with each other.

1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month, 7:00-8:30 pm, beginning October 1st, at the church, led by Pastor Olson

MISSIONS

The missions small group will continue in study of the books *50 People Every Christian Should Know* and *Operation World*. Group time is also dedicated to growing relationship with missionaries through correspondence and praying for their daily challenges and rejoicing in victories which are shared with the group and church.

Every other Sunday, 6-8 PM, beginning September 20th, at Kathy and Jim Clements' home in East Bridgewater

AFTERNOON TEA BOOK CLUB

This group is a great option for those who would rather not be out at night. We choose a Christian novel to read each month and then discuss it when we are finished. We have a lovely time of fellowship together. We would welcome anyone who would like to join us that enjoys reading.

1st and 3rd Thursday of each month, 2-4 pm, at Carol Phelan's home in West Bridgewater
(after Daylight Saving Time ends we meet from 1:30 to 3:30 pm so that no one is driving home in the dark).

THE PATRIARCHS: ENCOUNTERING THE GOD OF ABRAHAM, ISAAC, AND JACOB

This group study will explore God's commitment to His children through lessons learned in Genesis, using a Beth Moore study. Each week each group member will complete 5 days of Bible reading, personal reflection, and prayer. Group time will include small group discussion, written responses, and a video presentation. Although some of the material may be difficult, God wants you to be excited in your commitment to walk with Him...learn from Him...be transformed by Him. He loves you! Following the sharing of our thoughts, you will hear Beth's message that complements the workbook in a 60 minute video. Please ask Carol or visit the table in the MPR for more details on this material.

Two Thursday evenings each month, 7-8:45 pm, beginning October 8th, at the church, led by Carol Ostlund

WOMEN'S GROUP

This year we will be starting our small group with the 2nd book by Sharon Garlough Brown, *Two Steps Forward: A Story of Persevering in Hope*. The books of the *Sensible Shoes* series are stories about four women who say "yes" to the invitation to travel deeper into the heart of God. Join in the journey to freedom, healing, and transformation. May you know the adventure of keeping company with Jesus!

2nd and 4th Thursday of each month, 6:45-8:45 pm, starting October 8th, led by Beth Stewart