

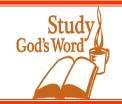
Christ Community Church of Blackstone Proclaiming Hope through the Good News of Jesus Christ

October 2019 Newsletter





"The heavens are yours, and yours also the earth; you founded the world and all that is in it." Psalm 89:11



Tuesday morning study at 9:30 am at the church.

Opened to all

How blessed we are in New England as we enter fall. The leaves on the trees are slowly turning crimson red, yellow and orange. No matter where we turn we see the hand of God at work. People are out at the apple orchards picking baskets of apples and having their fill of fresh cider and donuts. Hayrides pull the children through the fields and down country roads as they celebrate harvest season.

Too often we lose sight of the grandeur of God. We forget how mighty he is and that he is the Creator of all that beauty. Sometimes we are reminded by a breathtaking sunset or the waves on the ocean or a ride through the mountains, but we need to stop once in a while and remember who the Creator is.

As part of God's creation we can build houses and cars. We can grow food and create great meals but none of us can create the tree that produces the wood or create the seed that grows our vegetables. We must be reminded that we are to worship the Creator and not the creation.

As we enjoy the blessings of this season and all the wonderful food at our Fall Dinner this month, take some time to reflect on all the blessings of our Creator has given us.

Blessings in Christ, Pastor Ruth Blais



Anyone interested in joining the church, please call Pastor Ruth at 508.883.7885



Please pray for...

Julie & Bill and family John - healing Nancy - shoulder pain Beth - pain & healing Jeff - cancer Sheila - leg pain Dale - job search Michelle-recuperating from surgery Those suffering from depression Those recuperating from surgery Those in rehab Our unsaved loved ones Our Church Family The President, Our Country World Leaders

"God loves us not because of who we are, but because of who He is."



Christ Community Church of Blackstone Harvest Dinner



Saturday
October 26, 2019
4:00pm to 7:00pm



At
Club Par-X Inc.
36 Stanley Avenue
Woonsocket, R.I. 02895

Menu

Ham
Mashed potatoes
Butternut squash
Carrots
Coffee, Tea

Harvard beets
Apple compote
Salad
Home-made pies
Juice Boxes

LISTENING MUSIC BY POLKA PAUL Served buffet-style

Tickets on Sale Now!

Call 508.883.7885 (Church phone)

\$15 for 1 Adult - \$25 for 2 Adults \$8 for 1 Child 6 to 12 \$35 per family FREE for children 5 and under

ALL ARE WELCOME

Tickets also sold at the door

BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY



We now have a Nursery area for children up to age 4. We have set up a curriculum appropriate for that age group.



Committee Reports are due by October 15th.

Please e-mail or give a hard copy to the Church Clerk.

jackie.stjean@cox.net



Volunteers are needed for the following areas:

- Ticket Table (2)
- Servers for the Buffet Table (4)
- Dessert Table (2)
- Bake Sale Table (2)
- Clean-up crew

If you can help in any capacity, please see Jackie St. Jean or Julie Wronski.

Thank you



Deb Butero – October 15 Ashley Gobin – October 15 Barbara Greenwald – October 8 Nancy Mandeville – October 23 June Hoague – October 13



Bill & Ann Marie Hoyle October 24, 1981

DRIVEN BY LOVE

But whoever has this world's goods, and sees his brother in need, and shuts up his heart from him, how does the love of God abide in him? 1John 3:17

Ronald Dembner, an elderly veteran, didn't have anyone to drive him home after his hospital stay, so attendants called Uber. Lauren Mulvihill showed up and took him home. When she helped him inside, she was shocked at the squalor and filth. Dembner couldn't get around and do the cleaning, and he had no one to help him. Mulvihill, a single mom, couldn't clean the entire house by herself, so she asked for help on Facebook. Dozens of volunteers showed up. They removed the garbage, hauled out old furniture, and pulled up the ruined carpet. The Facebook page grew to more than eight hundred volunteers, some of whom helped Dembner get healthcare services and social aid. His response: "I don't know what I did to deserve all of this from all you guys."

Being a servant of God doesn't necessarily mean going to a mission field, but in seeing a mission field around you and noticing the needs of others. The Bible says, "My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth" (1John 3:18)

"The call to love is not so much a call to a certain state of feeling as it is to a quality of action." R.C. Sproul (Taken from the October 2019 issue of Turning Point, a monthly magazine by Dr. David Jeremiah, Org.

Our Outreach/Missions and Fund Raisers



Mary's Closet -We continue to provide teens at a local charter high school in need of clothing, personal items and food snacks. A basket for these items is located in the church Narthex.

Due to allergies, no items with nuts or apples in the ingredients please!

Sweet Dreams - providing a pillow, a blanket and a book for homeless children in shelters. If you are interested in this ministry, please see Pastor Ruth or Joyce.

St. Paul's Food Pantry_ We continue to collect canned goods and packaged foods for the Food Pantry. Please leave your donations in the shopping basket in the Narthex.

Straight Ahead Ministry -

"To See Jesus Christ Transform the Lives of Juvenile Offenders."

We support this ministry with an annual donation. In addition, Christmas gifts of clothing, games and candy are given to teenage girls and boys who are in training facilities.

Our "Christmas in August" program was very productive. We collected almost everything we need to donate for Christmas.

We are still in need of winter gloves, Men size L and XL. Please place your item in the bin located in the Narthex.

Thank you to everyone who participated in this!



AmazonSmile.com donates a percentage of your purchase.

Just go to https://smile.amazon.com/

As you shop on line, please select Christ Community Church of Blackstone as the nonprofit to support. Every time you make a purchase using this link, Amazon will donate a percentage to our church.

Junk in the Trunk



This is a flea market website that we use to sell gently used items that you donate to us. There is a basket in the Narthex for these items.



SODA CANS & BOTTLES RECYCLING

We continue to recycle cans and bottles.

With these different options, we continue to raise funds at no additional cost to vou!

We have raised \$1250+ in 2019 from these various means. This money has been used for community outreach and church renovations.

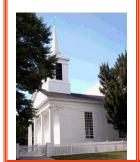
Your donations are greatly appreciated!

About us:

We are a bible-based, Christ-centered Christian church, located on the corner of Church and School Streets in Blackstone, MA. We are affiliated with the 4Cs – Conservative Congregational Christian Conference.

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Ruth Blais Associate Pastor: Marc Greenwald

Visit our website at <u>www.cccob.org</u> to listen to Pastor Ruth's sermons and to find out more about us



~ October 2019 ~

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Bible Study 9:30 am at the Church	Prayer Meeting at 7pm at the Church	3	4	5
6 Sunday Service 9:30 am Sunday School during the service	7 Tres Dias Reunion Group	8 Bible Study 9:30 am at the Church	9	10	11	12
13 Sunday Service 9:30 am Sunday School during the service	14 Tres Dias Meeting 7pm	15 Bible Study 9:30 am at the Church	16	17	18	19
20 Sunday Service 9:30 am Sunday School during the service Quaker Meeting House 2pm	21	22 Bible Study 9:30 am at the Church	23	24	25	26 Church Harvest Dinner 4 to 7pm Par-X Club 36 Stanley St Woonsocket
27 Sunday Service 9:30 am Sunday School during the service	28	29 Bible Study 9:30 am at the Church	30	31	November 1 st Annual Mtg At 7pm	



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