

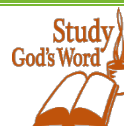


Christ Community Church of Blackstone
Proclaiming Hope through the Good News of Jesus Christ
September 2023 Newsletter



A Message from Pastor Marc

"There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens" Ecclesiastes 3:1 -NIV



*Tuesday morning
study at 10: am via
zoom.com
Opened to all!*

It's hard to believe that the summer is fast approaching conclusion, I see that Dunkin Donuts is already introducing their pumpkin lineup. The days are getting shorter and the nights are dipping into the mid-50's. Children are heading back to school and within a few short weeks summer will be but a memory. And while the change of seasons is so apparent, many of the changes in our lives are subtle and some are what might be called Significant Emotional Events (SEM) that impact our lives forever. Some are the result of life choices we make and some are outside of our control but are part of God's providential plan.

Like Solomon I have come to realize that all life is meaningless without Jesus Christ being at the center of my life. Like the ancient Jews of Moses' time, Deuteronomy 6:4-7 declared that not only was there only one God but it succinctly tells us just how important God needs to be in our everyday life. He is our center. It is when Jesus is our center, we have the unique ability as believers to weather the trial and tribulations that life will bring us.

As many of you may know, I recently had a medical issue that needed to be dealt with. Yet while in the ICU for eight days I took that time to minister to the staff who attended to my needs. Many of the medical staff come back to speak with me and I considered it a blessing to share my faith and how God has worked in my life. But most recently I had to deal with the layoff of nearly 5K corporate colleagues including two of my direct reports. What I told all of my staff is that God does not value us by the work we do but rather who we are, warts and all; He loves us.

I share this with you all because with the change of the seasons I ask that you examine your relationship to our Savior. Ask yourself if God is at the center of your daily life. Do you look for opportunities to share your faith with others when the moment arises. Remember that God has given His believers the privilege to make disciples of others, but we need to be open to that call. I heard it said that by sharing your story it may be the only book that a non-believer will read.

May God richly bless you all as we start a new season of our lives.

Soli Deo Gloria "To God Alone the Glory" – Written on every composition of Johanne Sebastian Bach

Pastor Marc

Joshua 1:9

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."

Please pray for...

*Beth - minor surgery rehab
Pamela - healing post-surgery
Ben Benjamin - healing
Bob - severe headaches
Shirley Scott & family - brother died
Andrea - seizures & Jeff - migraines
Ron & Jackie - health and move
Michelle D. and Pastor Warren
Susan, Cindy, Cindi - cancer
Jess' Mom Pat - cancer
Bruce - recuperating
Aubrielle, Kayden - ongoing issues
The President, Our Country
World Leaders*



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Matthew 3:16

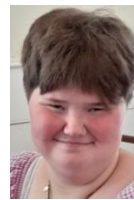
When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him.

Sunday, August 27, 2023

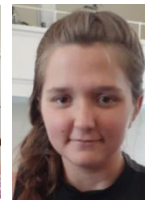
Today was a wonderful day of celebration.

Thirteen people walked down to the Mill River in Blackstone, where Pastor Ruth Blais and Deacon David Baisley waited to immerse them into its waters as they received the sacrament of Baptism.

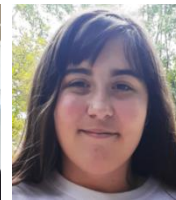
Those baptized were Hope Robeau, Adrianna Cyr, Abby Lenahan, Amanda Guilbeault, Beth Hoyle, Bill Wronski, Gracie Guilbeault, Marc Guilbeault, Jess Lenahan, Lynne Cignarella, Nancy Mandeville, Pastor Warren Blais and Sheila Robeau.



Hope



Adrianna



Abby



Amanda



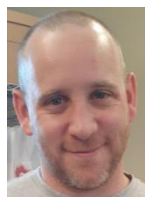
Beth



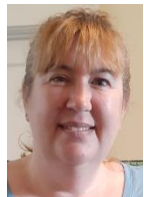
Bill



Gracie



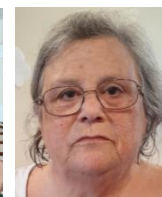
Marc



Jessica



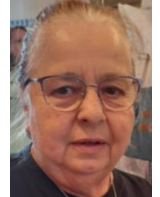
Lynne



Nancy



P.W.



Sheila



Pastor Ruth addresses everyone as we begin the service.



Matthew 28: 19-20

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."





Happy Birthday to
Jackie St. Jean Sept. 5th
Chi Salvatore Sept. 7th



to
Paul & Nancy Mandeville Sept. 17th
Bill & Julie Wronski Sept. 28th

Date Received as Members
Marc & Barbara Greenwald - Sept. 1990

Baptism
Jackie St. Jean - Sept. 12, 1982

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 AT 10 AM - 4 PM EDT

Fall Artisan Fair at Beef Barn

200 Industrial Drive, Smithfield, RI

We will have a craft table at the Beef Barn Restaurant on September 30th.

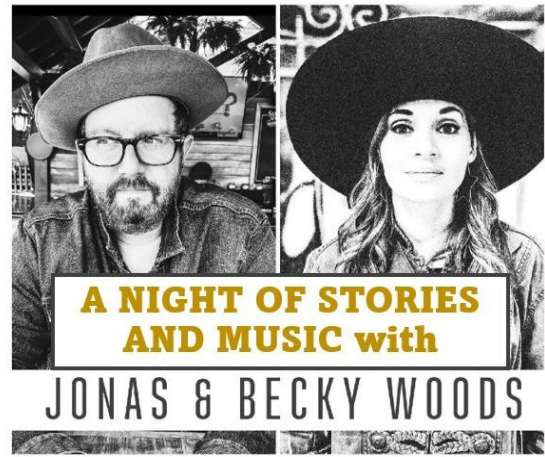
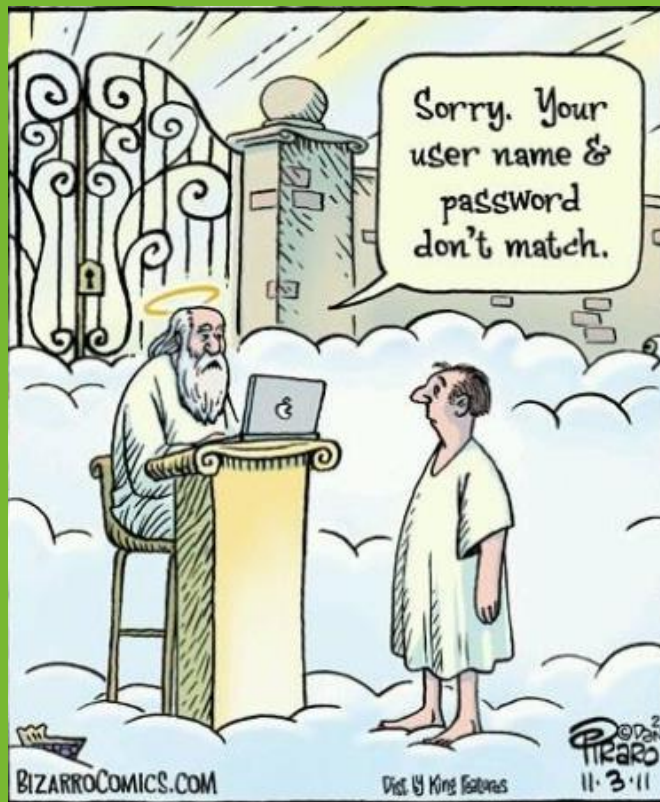
Come and support our church by visiting us to check out our crafts.

All our items are hand-made by local artisans along with some of our church friends.

All proceeds to benefit our Church Restoration Fund.

See you there!!





**September 16, 2023
6:30 pm**

Christ Community Church of Blackstone
31 Church Street, Blackstone, MA

Admission: Free Will offering

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. Please leave items in the church cart marked "Mary's Closet."
Due to allergies, no nuts please!

Straight Ahead Ministry – Serves incarcerated youths, helping them to move from lock-up to leadership. As a church we give an annual donation and at Christmas, we provide them with a gift of clothing, hygiene products and games.

Upcoming Craft Shows

We will be at several upcoming craft shows. Proceeds benefit our Meeting House Restoration Fund.

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Fall Artisan Fair at Beef Barn
200 Industrial Drive, Smithfield, RI

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2023 AT 10 AM – 4 PM

Lions Country Fair
286 Mendon St, Blackstone, MA 01504

Sunday, November 19, 2023 AT 10 AM – 3 PM

CCCoB Holiday Arts & Craft Show
Elks Club, 380 Social St., Woonsocket, RI 02895

Saturday, December 2, 2023 AT 10 am

BMR Christmas Craft Show
BMR High School, Blackstone, MA 01504

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.

Associate Pastor: Marc Greenwald

Visit our website at www.cccob.org to listen to our sermons and to find out more about us. Visit us also on Facebook @ Christ Community Church of Blackstone



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 Sunday Service 9:30 am 	4	5 Bible Study 9:30 am at the Church	6 Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm Via Zoom.com	7	8	9
10 Sunday Service 9:30 am	11	12 Bible Study 9:30 am at the Church	13	14	15	16
17 Sunday Service 9:30 am	18	19 Bible Study 9:30 am at the Church	20	21	22	23
24 Sunday Service 9:30 am	25	26 All-Church Mtg 7pm via Zoom	27	28	29	30 Fall Artisan Fair @ Beef Barn Rest. 10 am to 4 pm