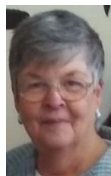




*Christ Community Church of Blackstone*  
*Proclaiming Hope through the Good News of Jesus Christ*  
**September 2021 Newsletter**



***A Message from Pastor Ruth***

“There's a time for everything, and the season for every activity under the heavens;”  
Ecclesiastes 3:1

Here we are already looking at another seasonal change. It seems like just yesterday we were looking forward to summer and the warm weather it would bring. Yesterday my grandson Max received letters from his school giving directions on how to drive in and out of the school when you're picking kids up. It won't be long before the buses are pulling up and our children will be back in school.

One of the things that I have loved about living in New England are the seasonal changes. I am already looking forward to those homemade donuts at the Big Apple and those long rides as we go leaf peeping around New England. But I think the thing that I love the most about this season is everyone begins to come together again, and it seems like things get busy. I know that the women in the church are looking forward to their craft fair. They are all working hard on different projects to sell at the church's table.

As you read Ecclesiastes 3 Solomon is trying to remind us that there is a season for everything. We have just come through a season of COVID and having the opportunity to stay in the quiet with God. I'm sensing that that season is ending and that we will be stepping into a season of busyness. I think that most people feel that they are ready for that new season, but we need to be careful that as we gear up and get busy that we keep Jesus in the center of our lives. So, as we look forward to pumpkins and apple pies and fairs and coming together as a church body again, with all that it holds for us, let us be ever mindful of who put the seasons into place.

I am looking forward to the cooler days and seeing everyone's smiling faces as we worship this September.

Blessings,  
Pastor Ruth

***Please Pray for***

Pastor Ruth, moving  
Pastor Warren, health & moving  
Dale & PJ – jobs  
Nancy- A-fib issues  
Julie & Bill – prayer for family  
Sandy, Beth, Bunny---pain  
Dan – heart issues  
Dick – hospice care  
Dennis – Parkinson's & Jeannie – ALS  
Rene – recouping from a series  
of surgeries  
Lynne's Dad, Jack

For All Caregivers – that God will grant wisdom, stamina,  
comfort and peace as they minister to their loved ones  
Others who are suffering from cancer, depression,  
recuperating from surgery or in rehab

Pastoral Search Committee  
The Sale of our Parish Hall  
Our unsaved loved ones  
Our Church Family

The President, our Leaders  
Our Country & World Leaders  
Fires & drought on the West Coast  
Hurricane & Flood damage



## Happy Birthday to

Jackie St. Jean Sept. 5th

Chi Salvatore Sept. 7th

Joanne Caselli Sept. 16th

Helen Harvey Sept. 26th



Dan & Jen Watson Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> 2018

Paul & Nancy Mandeville Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1977

Bill & Julie Wronski - Sept. 28, 2013



## OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE

**September 12 at 9:30 am**

We are resuming our Annual Outdoor Service followed by a picnic. Burgers, hot dogs, soda, water and condiments provided.

Bring a side dish if you like! Bring a friend too.

**All are welcome!**



To Benefit Christ Community Church  
Repair Fund

**Saturday, October 30, 2021**

**9:00 to 3:00**

**ELK'S LODGE**

**380 Social St.**

**Woonsocket, RI**

We will have all types of craft tables and a few vendors. We've had a couple of cancellations so some tables have opened up. If you know of anyone interested, please let Jackie know. Thanks.

## Tuesday Mornings at 10 a.m.



Our Virtual Bible Study continues on Tuesday mornings at 10 am with a study on "Meeting the Spirit."

If you are interested in joining us, please speak to Lynne Cignarella so she can add you to her list for Zoom.com Meetings.

You can also call the church at 1.508.883.7885 and ask to be added to the meeting.



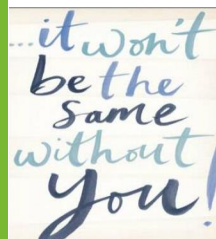
Join us for a Farewell Party  
for

**Pastor Ruth & Pastor Warren**

**Saturday, September 25, 2021**

**4:00 pm**

**Oakhill Club House  
1003 Oakhill Ave., #66  
Attleboro, MA 02703**



**RSVP by 9/18  
Lynne Cignarella  
(617)893-1904  
or  
Text her**

## THOUGHT FOR SEPTEMBER

Autumn is a good time to focus on your commitment to God. Some of the saddest words in the Bible are in **Jeremiah 8:20**, "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." If you've never made a commitment to Jesus Christ, do it now, while there is still time.

### Isaiah 40:33

...but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint. And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.



September 6<sup>th</sup>

### 20<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary of 9/11



**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 Narthex. **Due to allergies, no nuts please!**

**Sweet Dreams** - providing a pillow, a blanket and a book for homeless children in shelters.

**Due to Covid, the shelters are not accepting anything at this time.**

**St. Paul's Food Pantry** - We are resuming the collection of canned goods and packaged foods for the Food Pantry. **Please leave your donations in the shopping basket in the Narthex.**

**Help the Homeless R.I.** Collects and distributes items to the homeless and provides meals to homeless in Woonsocket & Pawtucket. **There is a box in the front of the church that helps provide meals.**

**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.



## FUND RAISING



Marketplace

Thank you

--to all who continue to donate items for our fund raisers using these various methods...

--your donations of electronic, small appliances, household products for Marketplace.

--AmazonSmile.com as you shop on line, a percentage of your purchase is donated to our church.

**\$1,517 has been raised so far this year.**

We continue to raise funds at no additional cost to you.

**Praise God as he helps us  
meet our expenses!**

### 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.

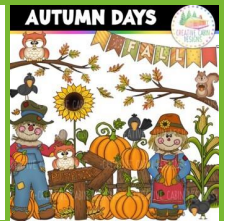
**Pastor:** Rev. Dr. Ruth Blais

**Associate Pastor:** Marc Greenwald

**Visit our website at [www.cccob.org](http://www.cccob.org) to listen to Pastor Ruth's sermons and to find out more about us**



~ September 2021 ~  
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God endures forever. Isaiah 40:8			1	2	3	4
5 Sunday Service 9:30 am	6 <b>LABOR DAY</b>  Tres Dias Group Meeting @ 7pm	7 Virtual Bible Study 10:00 am 	8	9 20 <sup>TH</sup> Anniversary 	10	11
12 Sunday Service 9:30 am	13	14 Virtual Bible Study 10:00 am 	15	16	17	18
19 Sunday Service 9:30 am	20	21 Virtual Bible Study 10:00 am 	22	23	24	25 Farewell Party for Pastor Ruth & Pastor Warren 4 pm
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