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Broad Brook Congregational Church

United Church of Christ

[22 Main Street, Broad Brook, CT 06016

November/December 2018

The Wayside BEACON

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Broad Brook Congregational Church Pastor: Reverend Carol Lewis

Important Reminders:

Beacon

Articles and reports due on the 10th of each cycle. Final requests for changes due by the 20th.

Council Meeting

There will be a Council meeting on Sunday, December 2, 2018 @ 11:20 pm. There will be a light lunch. All Committee Chairs are to bring a printed report to read and give to the Chinue at the meeting.

Gathering produce for the Cornucopia to be displayed on November 18th. Please bring to BBCC before NOV. 17 ANY WINTER VEGETABLE PRODUCE AS SQUASH, PUMPKINS, NUTS, AND LEAVE IT ON THE COUNTER IN THE KITCHEN.

Thank you.
Betty Stratton, Clerk pro tem

Broad Brook Congregational Church

122 Main Street Broad Brook, CT 06016 860-623-4547



Pastor
Rev. Carol B. Lewis
Ministers
All Congregation Members
Moderator
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Chair, Board of Trustees
Rev. Carol B. Lewis
All Congregation Members
Betty Stratton
Karla Vince



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Sunday Worship Services are held at 10:00 AM.

Communion is observed on the first Sunday of each month.

Church Sunday School is held from September to June and starts at 10:30 AM after the children and teachers leave the Worship Service.

Rev. Lewis has office hours on Wednesdays from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm or by appointment. Calls for the Pastor should be made through the church office at 860-623-4547.

Please email staff@broadbrookcongregationalchurch.org with announcements or corrections to the weekly Bulletin or the Beacon.



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The Sunday School welcomed all children to join us on Rally Sunday, September 16, 2018 with an intergenerational worship service and an ice cream social to follow. The following Saturday, we participated in the East Windsor Heritage Day Parade. Shirts, designed and made by Linda York, were given to all who participated. We had seven enthusiastic children on the float waving and throwing candy to the many who lined the parade route.

Classes have continued each Sunday using the "Shine, Living in God's Light" curriculum. All are enjoying the new look and feel of classes this year. Plans are now being made for the annual Christmas Children's program to be held on December 16, 2018 during the Sunday worship service. We welcome all ages to participate in this Christmas celebration.



I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.

-Psalms 32:8

DONATION

Making a donation as a wonderful way to remember a special anniversary, to say "thank you," celebrate an event, or to donate in memory of a loved one or a friend who has passed away. Check the appropriate box below to tell us where you would like your donation to go.

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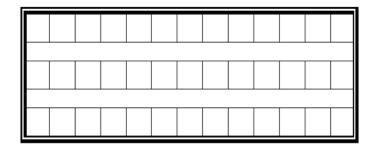
Fill out the form below with your desired inscription to purchase a Memorial Garden engraved brick and /or a Memorial Garden nameplate. Send the form along with \$35.00 for **each** item to:

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Broad Brook Congregational Church P.O. Box 466, Broad Brook, CT 06016

Memorial Garden Brick:

(placed within the garden, along the path, on the mulch) (Leave spaces between words and dates)



Memorial Garden Nameplate:

(placed onto the Dovecote Pole) (Leave spaces between words and dates)

Note: allow 4 weeks to produce nameplates and bricks.

Name_____
Contact number/email_____



- Betty Stratton

On Oct 14the Broad Brook Congregational Church celebrated Pastor's Appreciation Day and Rev. Carol's 5th Anniversary with us. We had a special coffee hour honoring her. Thanksgiving Family worship service will be held on Nov. 18 at 10:00 am. A service to give thanks for all the goodness each of us have received during 2018.

Upcoming events:

The Advent Season will begin on Dec. 2

The children's program will be on Dec 16

Christmas Family worship service will be on Dec 23 at 10 am

Candle light Christmas Eve worship service will be Dec, $24\ @ 7$ pm.



Ways and Means

With the fall months upon us, the Ways & Means committee would normally be heating up the kitchen with church suppers. We have encountered some unavoidable issues preventing us from putting them on. We will revisit hosting our suppers in 2019.

In the meantime, we are working on our fall fundraiser formerly known as our Ecumenical Bazaar. After 45 years under that name, the committee decided it was time to update our name. It seems our younger generation doesn't know what Ecumenical means and bazaar says antiquated!!!!! We will now be known as East Windsor Holiday Craft & Bake Fair.

The committee is currently comprised of 5 town churches. We get together a few times a Year to plan our annual event together. We set up booths for each church to sell homemade items and some white elephant items that are great for gift giving. One church steps up to host the event every year. They are in charge of all the planning with the arrangements as discussed in our meetings and the food booth. It's such a fun day and a wonderful community event.

East Windsor Holiday & Craft Fair:

Save the date!!! Saturday November 3rd from 9 am to 2 pm at the East Windsor Scout Hall on Abbe Road in East Windsor. Please stop by to pick up some great homemade items, early Christmas gifts, holiday pies, new hat/mittens/scarves, and so much more. Remember to grab some lunch while there. Parents bring your children, niece/nephew, grandparents bring your grandchildren......Santa and Mrs. Claus will be visiting to get an early headstart on the holidays. Bring your cameras!! Also Carol the Elf will be available for face painting. What a wonderful job she does. Definitely stop on by the BBCC booth to say hi! We enjoy seeing our friends.



Happy 5th
Anniversary with
BBCC, Rev.
Carol!

Hymnals Order Form

Each hymnal costs \$20.00. To donate a hymnal to the church, fill out the following form, neatly printing how the front inside cover donation plate should read. Turn in this form and a check for \$20.00 to BBCC, indicating "hymnal fund" in the memo. Thank you for your generosity.

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Broad Brook Congregational Church
122 Main Street
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Missions Committee

The Missions Committee continues to support the 5 Corner Cupboard with food collections and monthly monetary donations from the congregation. Any donations of food or money are highly appreciated. The Missions Committee will be meeting soon to finish planning for our 2018 Missions Giving and special projects. If you would like the church to support a worthy project or organization, please let the minister or a member of the committee know. (Linda York, Carol Lewis, Debbie Signor, Warren Wenz, and Katherine Mickens.) We are always looking for new ideas.



"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."



NOVEMBER:

- 3- Holiday Craft and Bake Sale-(formally Bazaar) 9am to 2 pm
- 4- Communion Traditional
- II-Veteran's Sunday
- 18-Thanksgiving Sunday
- 22-Thanksgiving Day
- 25- Reign of Christ Sunday





DECEMBER:

- 2- Communion Traditional
 First Sunday in Advent- **Hope**
- 9- Second Sunday in Advent- Peace
- @12 noon BBCC Christmas Party
- 16-Third Sunday in Advent- JoyChildren's Program
- 21- Blue Christmas Service @ 6pm
- 23-Fourth Sunday in Advent- Love
- 24- Christmas Eve Service @ 7 pm
- 25 Christmas Day Merry Christmas
- 31- New Year's Eve





Christmas Poinsettias 2018



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Please use a separate form for each order of Christmas Poinsettias.
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I will take the poinsettia after service on Christmas Eve.
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Congregational Church.

Return to Betty Stratton or Joyce Bonelli by December 16, 2018.



Happy Birthday

November

Mr. Robert Iones Mr. William Vince 3rd Mr. Kevín G. Yosky 7th Mrs. Tracey Nieroda 8th Mrs. Janice Lang 10th Miss Brianna Cadence York 10th Mrs. Theresa Drolett 14th Mr. Wade Signor 16th Ms. Katherine Adams 24th Miss Emma Zoe McMahon 26th Miss Isabelle Marie McMahon 26th Rev. Carol B. Lewis 29th







December

Lay Readers

November December

4—Katherine Mickens 2—Bob Cormier

11—Debbie Signor 9—Warren Wenz

18—Debbie Siekiera 16—Joyce Bonelli

(Thanksgiving Sunday) 23—Dr. James Clark

Children's Sermons

November December

4—Communion 2—Communion

11—Wade Signor 9—Carol Innes

(Veteran's Sunday) 16—Children's Christmas Program

Sunday) 23—Rev. Carol

(Christmas Sunday)

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25—Rich York

Thanks to

30—Katherine Mickens

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for our wonderful
flower
arrangements!



12th

Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Walker



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Dedicating a flower is a wonderful way to honor someone you love. To arrange to have flowers any Sunday, mail the coupon below with your check. Arrangements are only \$22.00. Check made payable to Broad Brook Congregational Church. We also do double dedications if the date you want is taken.

Mail-In Flower Dedication Form
Name:
Address:
Dedication:
Enclose your check for \$22.00 payable to: Broad Brook Congregational Church and mail to us at: Broad Brook Congregational Church, P.O. Box
466, Broad Brook, CT 06016

Apple, Pecan Cake With Buttercream Frosting Recipe





A Simple and special dessert for Thanksgiving and holiday season! Easy layer cake is a fall treat with chopped apples, pecans and buttercream frosting!

Hi All! Well.....it's officially fall with the holidays drawing closer. This time of year makes you want to warm up the kitchen/house with some great smelling desserts baking. Here is a simple and special dessert that will sure to please most of your house-guests or to bring with you for the holidays (or any event). This recipe mimics a carrot cake but with apples instead. The recipe doesn't state raisins but I have added them in sometimes (about 3/4 cups). It is basically simple to make once the apples are peeled/chopped, and the nuts chopped too. I am not one that likes to take a lot of time with a bunch of special steps to a recipe...... too time consuming! Peeling apples is one of those things like for a pie but you don't need so many for a cake and we all have a chopper of some kind, usually one of those modern conveniences we all have in this day and age kitchen! So give this recipe a try and see if you have a new "Special Dessert" for the holidays or whenever!! Happy baking!

Ingredients for cake:

3 eggs

2 cups granulated sugar

1 cup canola oil

2 teaspoon cinnamon

1/2 teaspoon nutmeg

Pinch of salt

- 1 ½ teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 cup sour cream or plain greek yogurt
- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 3 cups apple, finely chopped (any variety works)
- 1 cup pecans (or walnuts) chopped

For buttercream frosting:

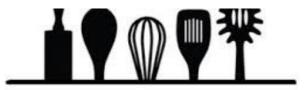
1 cup unsalted butter, softened

5 cups powdered sugar

1 teaspoon vanilla

Pinch of salt

5 tablespoons heavy cream



For garnish/decoration, optional: Extra Pecans, (or walnuts), approx 1 cup chopped for sides of cake. Note: leave a few whole nuts for

Instructions:

To make cake: Preheat oven to 350 degrees

- 1. Grease two 8-inch round baking pans, line with parchment paper or waxed paper, set aside.
- 2. In a medium bowl, mix flour, cinnamon, nutmeg, salt and baking soda.... Set aside.
- 3. In a large bowl, with an electric mixer beat eggs and oil until combined. Add sugar, vanilla and sour cream and mix well. Slowly add flour mixture until combined (batter will be very thick).
- 4. Stir in apples and nuts until mixed in.
- 5. Pour batter into prepared pans.
- 6. Bake for 35-40 minutes or until a toothpick in center comes out clean.
- 7. Let cool in the pans for 10 minutes, then remove the cakes to wire racks and let cool completely.

To make buttercream frosting:

- 1. In a medium bowl, beat butter until creamy. Add the powdered sugar, vanilla, salt to combine. Add the heavy cream - beating for 5 to 7 minutes, until light and fluffy. Add more powdered sugar as needed for thicker frosting or add heavy cream a little at a time to thin frosting. (I like
- my frosting to be soft but firm enough to

decorate the sides to hold the chopped nuts.)

- 2. Assemble/frost cake as usual for a layer cake.
- 3. Press the chopped pecans or walnuts into the sides of the cake and sprinkle some over the edges.

Note: The Cake is always the best the next day!!

Tell us how you did; post your results on our facebook page! https://www.facebook.com/BBCongregationalChurch

Volunteers always welcome! We can use a hand with:

- Food pantry donations/collection
- Refreshments after church service
- Prep and clean up for fundraisers
- Lay readers and greeters
- And more

