



The Steeple was lighted to the Glory of God

January 14

In Loving Memory of Tiffany Brown

January 28

In Loving Memory of Ceil Kurnik, by the Kurnik Family

FROM THE DEACONS – The Deacons will be hosting a **Fat Tuesday supper** of pancakes, eggs, bacon, and sausage on **Tuesday, February 13 from 5:30-7:00 pm**. Plan to bring the family and start the Lenten season off right. A free-will offering will be appreciated. On a more spiritual note, there will be an **Ash Wednesday Service on February 14 at 7:00 p.m.**

CALL TO THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF BURLINGTON ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2018 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CHURCH SERVICE. The meeting will provide a final update on our 2017 Budget vs Actuals, review the reports from the Church Council and committees and elect our leadership slate - Church Council and committees. A potluck supper will be served. Please bring a food item to share...

Last Names A-I: appetizers/sides/salads.

Last Names J-R: sandwiches or fixings/main course.

Last Names S-Z: desserts.

Council: beverages

A **Teachers Appreciation Dinner** will be held on **Friday, February 23 at 6:00 pm** at the church. This is a great time to share in fellowship with other Sunday School Teachers and discuss the Sunday School Curriculum/Program. The dinner is open to anyone currently teaching Sunday School and anyone who is interested in teaching in the future. Thanks to the Men's Ministry in advance for hosting!!!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS – March 3 – Pasta Dinner and Variety Show sponsored by the Evangelism Committee. Calling all singers, dancers, comedians, musicians, jugglers, storytellers, or whatever your talent may be—we want you! Whether you want to entertain or be entertained, come join the fun! Please see/email Laura Chandler at lpsc22@comcast.net or Sara Szafranski at smszafranski@gmail.com to sign up.

Have you been attending the Congregational Church of Burlington but not yet a member? We will be **welcoming new members on Sunday, March 11**. Please contact Sara Szafranski, Chair of the Evangelism Committee at smszafranski@gmail.com to learn more about the benefits of membership.

A big THANK YOU from the Men's Ministry and Soup Kitchen Committees for the generous donations of pork roasts. On Sunday, January 7, we served a hearty meal to those in need that braved the cold and made it to Center Church in Hartford for dinner. We hope to do this again in the future so thank you for your continued generosity!!

The Sexton Committee is in need of a new member. A heartfelt thank you to Holly Kaseta for her many years of dedicated service to keeping our church clean and tidy. She is leaving our committee and we need another member to join us to help clean for the months of February and September. We should mention the tremendous amount of help we are getting from Boy Scout Troop #23 which has lessened the workload of the Sexton Committee tremendously. If you are in a position to help us, please see Tammy Eisenmann or Joanne Reitz. Thank you!

THANK YOU, THANK YOU TO THE MEN'S MINISTRY for hosting such a wonderful Women's Appreciation dinner on January 19! The food was delicious, the waitstaff delightful, dessert decadent, and the movie enjoyable! Lots of chatter and laughter ensued and a good time was had by all!!!

THE FLOWER COMMITTEE would like to thank all those who contributed flowers in 2017. The new calendar is up for 2018, so please select a special date and fill in a form at the same time. The calendar and forms are available in the Chapel Room.

Members needed for Stewardship Committee - This committee has been woefully short on members and we need a few people to help out as the duties of this committee have been mostly covered by our church secretary and Moderator. This committee is responsible for organizing our special stewardship collections throughout the year (such as One Great Hour of Sharing, Neighbors in Need, Mother's Day/Father's Day) as well as our annual pledge campaign. A volunteer can pick a collection to organize, working with our church secretary to get the materials together and informing the congregation. This is a minimal time commitment - a few hours at certain times of the year - so please consider helping out in this important mission of our faith. Talk to Maryann if you are interested or have any questions. Thank you!

The **Lay Reader and Coffee Hour sign-up lists** have been updated and are available in the Chapel Room for your convenience. If you have volunteered for either of these assignments, please check the schedule and arrange to swap dates with someone else if you are not available to read/host on the assigned date. Thank you!

Please plan on attending Reverend Taylor's Lenten Study program on **the Gospel of Mark.**

I plan to attend the
2018 LENTEN STUDY

Name

(Please leave in secretary's mail slot or on office desk.
Thank you.)



THE GOSPEL OF MARK

Wednesdays
February 21 & 28
March 7, 14, & 21
7:00-9:00 p.m.
Sunday School Room