### **Member Congregations**

Acushnet-Wesley United Methodist Church - Acushnet Allen's Neck Friends Meeting - Dartmouth Anchored In Christ Four Square Church - New Bedford Bethel A.M.E. Church - New Bedford Centre-Trinity United Methodist Church - New Bedford Church of the Good Shepherd - Fairhaven Church of the Good Shepherd - Wareham First Baptist Church - New Bedford First Congregational Church - Fairhaven First Congregational Church - Marion First Congregational Church - New Bedford First Congregational Church of Rochester - Rochester First Congregational Church of South Dartmouth - Dartmouth First Congregational Church - Wareham First Portuguese Baptist Church - New Bedford First Unitarian Church - New Bedford Grace Episcopal Church - New Bedford His Mercy International Ministries - New Bedford Immanuel Baptist Church - New Bedford Long Plain United Methodist Church - Acushnet Mattapoisett Congregational Church - Mattapoisett Mattapoisett Friends Meeting - Mattapoisett New Bedford Friends Meeting - New Bedford New Seasons Worship Center - East Freetown North Baptist Church - New Bedford Pacific Union Congregational Church - Westport People's Christian Church - New Bedford Pilgrim United Church of Christ - New Bedford St. Aidan's Chapel - Dartmouth St. Andrew's Episcopal Church - New Bedford St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church - Marion St. George's Orthodox Church - Dartmouth St. Martin's Episcopal Church - New Bedford St. Paul's United Methodist Church - New Bedford St. Peter's Episcopal Church - Dartmouth Salvation Army - New Bedford Seaman's Bethel - New Bedford Smith Mill's Christian Congregational Church - Dartmouth Smith Neck Friend's Meeting - Dartmouth South Baptist Church - New Bedford South Primitive Methodist Church - New Bedford Trinity Lutheran Church - Fairhaven Union Baptist Church - New Bedford Unitarian Society of Fairhaven - Fairhaven Westport Friends Meeting - Westport Westport Point United Methodist Church - Westport

### Bringing Churches and Community Together to Serve The SouthCoast for over Seventy Years



For more than 70 years the ICC has united area churches and the greater Faith Community in service to the surrounding area. With 47 member congregations from Westport to Wareham and a volunteer force of 150 leaders, the Council is a strong faith collaborative committed to social, economic and racial justice and spiritual renewal within a framework of ecumenical cooperation.

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Serving *the* Lord *by*Serving *the* Community

Matthew 25:37-40

## We are In the Community Christ-like! 1 Corinthians 11:1

#### WHAT ARE WE?

The Inter-Church Council is a council of 47 churches in the Greater New Bedford area committed to knowing and sharing the transforming love of God as reflected in the life and teachings of Jesus, to all who thirst for God's love and for the Spirit's healing.





**Our Housing Ministries** 





**Our Hospital & Police Chaplains Ministries** 



Representative Payee Ministries



**Healthy Choices** 





**Bridges to Faith** 



Advocacy



### WHERE ARE WE?

- In our Housing programs serving more than 400 low-income elderly and disabled residents at Melville Towers, and at The Young House.
- ♦ In police cars during the Clergy and Police Ride-Along Chaplains.
- In the rooms of patients and throughout St. Luke's Hospital our Chaplains work with local churches and the Faith community to provide support to those who are in need.
- In working with the community on homelessness and other social justice issues.
- In the Representative Payee Ministry, an accounts payable ministry in partnership with the Massachusetts Department of Developmental Services. Handling the checkbooks and fiscal obligations of 175 individuals.
- In working to end violence through collaborative community ministries, in Peace Marches, gun exchanges for food and hands on ministries in the neighborhoods.
- In the ICC Council Alerts sharing information with approximately 1500 area clergy, lay and community leaders.
- In the gathering of clergy for fellowship and mutual support.
- In the churches each week.
- ♦ In the community through a variety of activities, programs and Council sponsored events.
- ♦ In our data base support.
- ♦ In collaboration with Bridges to Faith Ministry
- In public schools with mentors and our "Healthy Choices Program" to help kids make good choices resolving problems with non-violence and respect.

#### WHO ARE WE?

- We are thousands of people across the South-Coast, parishioners and congregants, lay leadership and individuals.
- We are over 140 volunteers who serve the area through our efforts as delegates, alternates, committee members and Board of Director members.
- We are over 47 ministers and pastors throughout the region.
- We are the thousands of people touched in some way by the work of the Inter-Church Council through the efforts of its membership, volunteers, lay leadership, community and staff.





### **Community Worship Services:**

- New Year's Eve Service
- ♦ Martin Luther King Service
- ♦ Easter Sunrise Service
- ♦ Holocaust Memorial Service
- Prayer Walks for Peace
- Inter-Faith "Voices for Youth and Education" Worship Service
- ♦ Together for Our Children Service
- ♦ 9/11 Memorial Service





The work of the  $\underline{\underline{I}}$ nter- $\underline{\underline{C}}$ hurch  $\underline{\underline{C}}$ ouncil is everywhere...