



The Voice

Connecticut Valley Church of Christ

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Worship Today

Sermon	Called by God
Coordinator	Ken Erman
Scripture	Galatians 1:11-24 Henry Bonet
Communion	Dennis Brown
Prayer	Mike Gilliland
Wintonbury	Steve Webb
Cleaning	Schneider and Sundberg

Current Sermon Series: Freedom in Christ

Unlike other letters where he is optimistic about churches' futures, when Paul crafts the letter to the Galatians, he is concerned about their formation. The church is in disarray. Some opposition has arisen against Paul's earlier teachings, and these opponents have created a divisive environment for the believers. Simply stated, love does not exist. Paul rebukes this way of life, specifically calling out those who would enforce boundary markers other than Jesus Christ. Within this combative letter we discover Paul's instincts on the freedom that the gospel offers. Decrying the way the world attempts to enslave us to a chaotic, self-serving existence, Paul calls the church back to the way of Christ. The letter to the Galatians reminds us of the necessity of the gospel, or the good news, for without it we are defenseless against the empty promises of being slaves to the world. Paul invites us to freedom that only resides in Christ.

Remember to take your joy boxes. Some are still on the table.

We will once again collect toiletry items for our friends at Wintonbury to distribute in gift bags decorated by our children for the Christmas holiday season. The following items are needed between now and the end of November.

- Full Size Shampoo
- Lotion
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Combs
- Body wash
- Chapstick
- (NO Razors, please)

Please place these items in the plastic bin marked Wintonbury.

Pantry Needs
 Baking Supplies
 Dish Soap
 Tomato Sauce
 Laundry Detergent
 Canned Peas and Corn

Please give grocery cards to Linda Kiebish.

Children's Ministry Meeting on Sunday, November 8th following service.

Ministry Leaders Meeting on Sunday, December 6th following service.

Contribution for October 11, 2009: \$1617.00
Weekly Budget for 2009: \$2,381.20

Our Shepherds	Minister Sam Garner samjgarner@gmail.com Cell: 860.992.8050	Ministry Leaders Adult Education - Katherine Trumbull Benevolence - Jeri Erman Body Life - Paula Brown Children & Youth - Sam Garner Facilities - Henry Karas Finance - Jeri Erman Missions - Mike & Pennie Gilliland Outreach - Julie Georges Small Groups - Mike Gilliland Worship - Sam Garner
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Sunday Morning: 9:30 am - Bible Classes for all ages 10:45 am - Worship	Wednesday Evening: 6:00 pm - Meal 7:00 pm - Bible Classes for all ages	

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, and mind, and love your neighbor as yourself. Matthew 22:37-39

Jesus is Lord Authority of Scripture Importance of Baptism Spirit of Unity

What's Happening

- **Today: Meal Sunday: Potluck**
- **Today: Youth Group 6pm**
- **Today: Last Day to give items and cash to Donna for college boxes**
- October 21st: Presentation by Juozas Puodziukaitis from Lithuania
- October 24th: Community Clothing Exchange and Fundraiser for India
- October 25th: Walk for Haiti following service
- October 25th: Turn in Christmas boxes for Haiti
- October 25th: Small Groups Meet
- November 1st: Leadership Training for Christ parent meeting 1pm
- **November 1st: Outreach Ministry Meeting following service**
- November 1st: Area Wide Harvest Hymn Sing at South Road C of C
- November 2nd: Silpada Jewelry Party hosted by Lenny at 7pm
- November 7th: Men's Breakfast
- **November 8th: Children's Ministry Meeting**
- November 13th: Children's Fun Night: Make Duct Tape Flowers 6:30pm
- November 14th: Potato Bake (details coming)
- November 13-15: Manchester Youth Rally
- **December 6th: Ministry Leaders Meeting**
- December 11: Veggie Tales Christmas Movie at 6:30pm

Today is the last day to give items and cash to Donna for college boxes and to leave donations at the building for the tag sale on Saturday.

Wednesday Meal: Rachel Garner

Juozas Puodziukaitis from Lithuania will be with us this Wednesday night, October 21 to share about the work he is doing. He is associated with the camp that the mission group from CVCC worked at this past summer. Join us for dinner at 6pm and his presentation at 7pm.

In an effort to provide more time during our Sunday morning gatherings to worship, we are transitioning to not having "open announcement time." We are asking everyone to provide necessary announcements to the office by Thursday each week, so that one person can make announcements in a brief, concise format on Sundays. The goal is not to prohibit announcements, but we are attempting to offer them in various formats such as The Voice, the website, email, and during the announcement portion on Sunday. We do understand that the need occasionally arises after Thursday to provide information the following Sunday; we simply ask that you provide that to the person making announcements on Sunday.

This minor change in format will offer a couple of opportunities. First, the office will gain information, so that it can be provided through appropriate avenues. Many times announcements are made only during our Sunday worship because we either cannot hear them or the information is unclear. If it is provided in writing or through a phone call earlier in the week, the most effective format for that specific news can be implemented. Second, it is clear that the most effective way to provide information is not through announcements on Sunday morning. While some people value this time to discover news, most leave the worship service forgetting the specifics or even the general topic of what was announced.

The office is making an effort to improve the process of providing information. Please assist us with this effort. We are not prohibiting announcements on Sunday; we are only attempting to provide news in an effective manner. Most importantly, this change should allow us to devote more time during our assemblies to song, prayer, and other worship practices.

2009 Walk for Haiti's Kids

Sunday, October 25th at 12:30pm
Children of Haiti Presentation 9:30-10:30am

We will begin having attended nursery for birth to 2 years during worship service in November.

Karen Kenney has moved from Wintonbury to Farmington CT. She would like to worship with us if there are people who would give her a ride. Please email Leena if you would be willing to do this. The number to contact her is (860) 321-7068.