

THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF VERNON, UCC

July 26, 2015

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PAY IT FORWARD

\*CALL to WORSHIP

John Koziol

Leader: Why have you come to this place?

People: We have come to find Jesus.

Leader: Why have you come today?

People: We are tired in body and spirit.

Leader: Jesus bids you sit and be at ease.

People: We are hungry with nothing to eat.

Leader: Come and eat your fill. There is plenty for all.

People: We will find wholeness here. Jesus gathers the fragments of our lives, that nothing may be lost.

\*OPENING HYMN #351 "Fill My Cup, Lord"

PRAYER of INVOCATION

God of our hopes and dreams, we are empty, and long to be filled; we are hungry, and long to be fed; we are lost, and long to be found. Gather us into your love, and pick up the pieces of our lives. Call us anew to eat our fill and to find our true nourishment in Jesus, the bread of heaven. Amen.

\*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

SACRAMENT of BAPTISM – Owen Brian Lisowski

Congregational Response (*unison*)

We promise our love, support, and care to this child and his family as he grows in faith and faithfulness. With God's help, we promise to guide and encourage him, by counsel and example, in prayer and with love, to follow the way of Jesus Christ.

\*BAPTISM HYMN #113 "Jesus Loves Me"

TIME with the CHILDREN

The LORD'S PRAYER (*unison*)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

ANTHEM

"Enough"

C. Tomlin

Leanne Connolly, Patrick Connolly, Joanne Myer

SCRIPTURE John 6:1-13

SERMON

Rev. Robin Bird

SHARING of JOYS and CONCERNS

MORNING PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE

CALL to OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"You Raise Me Up"

Graham/Loveland

\*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*PRAYER of DEDICATION

\*CLOSING HYMN #537 "My Hope Is Built"

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*\*All who are able are invited to stand.*

Join us for coffee and conversation after the service in Fellowship Hall.

We rejoice in the baptism of Owen Brian Lisowski, son of Sadie and Nicholas Lisowski. Welcome to Owen's sponsors, Jilissa Hamlin and Ryan Fujimoto.

Welcome to our guest organist Jim Purnell.

The flowers on the Communion Table are given by Cathy and Gary Foote in celebration of the marriage of their son Adam to Denise Oki, which is taking place this afternoon in Santa Barbara, CA.

**In Our Ongoing Prayers . . .**

**Paul Shimer** and family on the death of his wife, Susan; **Janita Majkowski**, mother-in-law of Pat Lazeren; the Harvin family on the death of Donna Harvin; Candy, Lynette Melanson's sister; Dave Boucher, brother-in-law of Jen and Tim Condry; Greg Moffatt; Owen Brian Lisowski; Lillian Burnett; Becky and Ron Burr; Carol Mento; Paula Dascomb; Lillian Morse, daughter of Jim and Heidi Morse; Rachel Meneses; Joyce Smith; Debbie Chase; Mike Lazeren; Deborah Liebl; Gilmay Markunas and family; Pat Lazeren; Margaret Klukas; Gail Brewer; David and Elizabeth Hollister; Jack Allen; Bobby Dwire; Warren Little; Frederick Burgess; Tom Fitzgerald; Melinda Singh; Bess Howe; Paul Westerberg; people struggling with mental illness; Sharon Lacey; Ed Rockland, Bettye Kramer's brother-in-law; Maggie and David Minnick; the people of Syria, including the family of Tarek Eid; Heidi Howie; Steve Bright; Pat Melville; Wendy Parker; Rachel Andrews; Cindy Madden; Carol Shea; Bobby Kelley; Nancy Bailey; Lillian Burnett; Will Fisher and Jessica Surratt; Adeline McGee; Kim Burnham; Mason Bower; Debbie Marshall; Jeanine Uthgenannt; Michael Turner; Candy Buswell; Richard Brooke; Ray Turner; Martha Fowler; Michael Bebrin; Thelma Gifford; Cooper Doyle; Horst Pohlmann; John Kaminski

*New additions in bold print*

## WELCOME to FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH of VERNON!

We are glad you are here. It is our hope that you will encounter God here, experience the love God showed the world in Jesus, and be inspired to share that love with the world. If you are worshiping with us for the first time, please stop by our Welcome Table. There you will find a guestbook to sign and a welcome gift to take home with you. Let us know if we can be of service to you in any way, and come back again soon.

**Greeters and Coffee Hour:** Board of Christian Education/Teaching Parish Committee

### TODAY DURING COFFEE HOUR downstairs in Fellowship Hall

**FCCV Mugs** are back! Only \$10 each and the money goes towards supporting our outreach efforts. Purchase a mug and receive a recipe for a Five-Minute Chocolate Mug Cake (if you've previously purchased a mug, you can pick up the recipe).

### THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

**Men's Group:** Tuesday, July 28, 6:30 AM, Vernon Diner

**Support Group:** Friday, July 31, 10:30 AM, Library

**Calling All Women...** Did you know that you are automatically a member of Women's Fellowship? Check out the poster in the Narthex for interesting facts about Women's Fellowship over the years and watch for a schedule of events for the coming year that will be available on Rally Sunday, August 30.

**Part Time Help Wanted!** Looking for a way to participate in a church committee that doesn't require a long-term commitment or attending monthly meetings? Stewardship and Evangelism may be the place for you! We are looking for the following: someone interested in writing for a new, monthly "guess who" segment for the Carillon and someone to post "Pay It Forward" information on a church bulletin board and write a monthly blurb for the Carillon. Anyone interested, high school age or older, should contact Kate Fowler (kfowler64@yahoo.com).

**Pardon Our Appearance:** The Deacons chairs in the Sanctuary are in the process of being repaired and reupholstered. We hope to have them restored by Rally Sunday.

Please take a minute to view the **Memory Books** so meticulously maintained by Jane Burr. The most up-to-date one is located in the top drawer of the cabinet in the Breezeway. The Memorial Garden Committee also has a book on display.

### Summer Greeter/Coffee Hour Schedule

**Aug 2** Moderator/Vice Moderator/Clerk/Assistant Clerk

**Aug 9** Ushering and Furnishings & Memorials Committees

**Aug 16** Board of Music/Library Committee

Boards/Committees responsible for the designated month must provide two greeters as well as host Coffee Hour. Please Note: If your Board/Committee cannot participate on its scheduled Sunday, please contact Tom Sweet, 860-875-3172.

**Please Note:** To request a visit with one of the pastors, please contact the Church Office at 860-875-7580.

**Scrip-Your-All:** Last week was a great week...with Sunday and online sales, we have now earned \$2,487!! Thank you to all you are participating. We hope others will do so! Visit our church website (firstchurchofvernon.org/scrip-your-all) for complete information on how to sign up or stop by the Scrip-Your-All table during Coffee Hour. People have asked what our top percentage cards are. Below is a list of those cards we sell during Coffee hour and the percentage that FCCV earns.

Ninety Nine	13%	JC Pennys	5%
Bertuccis	10%	Price Chopper	5%
Macys	10%	HomeDepot	4%
Barnes N Noble	9%	Kohls	4%
Fridays	9%	Lowe's	4%
LongHorn	9%	Rave	4%
Panera	9%	Staples	4%
Papa Gino	9%	Stop and Shop	4%
Outback	8%	Amazon	3%
Bed Bath	7%	DairyQueen	3%
Starbucks	7%	Dunkin	3%
TJMaxx	7%	Subway	3%
Big Y	6%	Shell	2.50%
CVS	6%	Target	2.50%
Walgreens	6%	Walmart	2.50%
iTunes	5%	Sunoco	1%

**Pairs and Spares:** It's coming...a new social group at FCCV for members and friends...a group for adults (singles or those with partners)! No commitment or meetings to attend. Watch for sponsored events and choose which ones you'd like to attend. Our first event is August 28. We'll be going to Cassidy Hills (cassidyhillvineyard.com/events) to enjoy live music. As the website states, "Grab your lawn chairs and bring your friends; we are looking forward to a great year of music at the vineyard." Any questions, contact Kate Fowler at 860-614-9747 or kfowler64@yahoo.com.

A **Crib Room** is available upstairs near the balcony for **parents with infants up to 12 months of age** where the worship service can be heard via intercom. Anyone with concerns about the Crib Room should contact Sally Sullivan, 871-1473. A staffed **Toddler Room**, located downstairs in the Kellogg wing, is open for **children 12 months to 3 years old**.

The **Care Network** is offered by the Deacons as a helping hand during difficult times. If you are in need of a ride to church, the doctor, hospital, grocery store, etc., in need of meals or a visit, contact Jan Muro at jmoze@hotmail.com or 872-1757 or Sue Pilkons at 860-875-4122.