

THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF VERNON, he UCC

August 3, 2014

Holy Communion

PRELUDE "Air" Bach
"Sheep May Safely Graze" Bach
"Prelude in Classic Style" Young

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL to WORSHIP (*responsive*)

George Apel

Leader: We gather here in the presence of God,

People: **We are standing on holy ground.**

Leader: Here is a place of rest for weary hearts.

People: **Here is a place of comfort and peace.**

Leader: Here is a beloved community.

People: **Here is a love that heals.**

Leader: We gather here in the presence of God,

People: **And we are filled, refreshed, renewed and restored.**

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

PRAYER of INVOCATION (*unison*)

God of abundant grace, you are the source of all we need. Draw near and linger long among us. Let your Holy Spirit lift us up and fill us with your peace and power. As we worship in this hour, renew our joy, nourish our faith, give us new hope, and help us find our strength in you. For you are our God, and we are your faithful people in the world. Amen.

SACRAMENT of HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

CALL to PRAYER

Leader: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to God.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to God Most High.

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

COMMUNION PRAYER

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.

WORDS of INSTITUTION

BREAKING the BREAD and SHARING the CUP

(*Gluten-free bread is available. Please indicate your preference to a Deacon. Please hold the elements until all are served.*)

PRAYER of THANKSGIVING

Loving God, we thank you for refreshing our souls with this remembrance of your love. By your Holy Spirit, strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another and send us out into the world to do your will, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

SCRIPTURE

SERMON

Rev. Meg Watson

SHARING of JOYS and CONCERNS

MORNING PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE

CALL to OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"I Need Thee Every Hour"
Duet – Leanne and Erin Connolly

R. Lowry/C. Brown

*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 #82 "His Eye Is on the Sparrow"

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Fugue"

Handel

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

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

The flowers on the Marbletop Table are given by Donna Burgess in memory of her Mom's birthday.

Greeters: Board of Deacons

Coffee Hour: Furnishings & Memorials and Ushering Committees

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.

Deacons assisting with Communion: Delythe Kracke (Deacon-in-charge), Karl Prewo, Sue Pilkons, Pam Lyons

In Our Ongoing Prayers . . .

Nick Bartos; Susan Ahrens (friend of Debbie Bartos); **Mary Jarvis** (friend of Linda Dayton) and **family** on the death of her daughter Kimberly Jarvis; **Amy Freisinger**, friend of Millie and Bill Oliphant; Pat Melville; Philip Bogard; Sarah Bird; Wendy Parker; Isiah Fleeting; Tim and Althea Madigan; Helen Dyar; Rachel Andrews; Christa Hockenberry; Cindy Madden; Marge Salmon; Mary White; Eleanor Sweet; Joyce Smith; Jan Peacock; Julie Wrona; Bob O'Gara; Bonnie Brenner; Carol Shea; Bobby Kelley; Will and Diane Livermore; Susan Shimer; Nancy Bailey; Sonja (Marlene) Mayhew; Lorrie Dobson; Ben Savage; Lillian Burnett; Debbie Chase; Will Fisher and Jessica Surratt; E.G. and Donna Harvin; Adeline McGee; Chantelle Fuller; Pat Lazeren; Kim Burnham; Betty Worden; Mason Bowler; Debbie Marshall; Jeanine Uthgenannt; Michael Turner; Candy Buswell; Rachel Meneses; Lois Montlick; Donna Peacock; Deborah Costello; Richard Brooke; Ray Turner; Martha Fowler; Michael Bebrin; Thelma Gifford; Cooper Doyle; Horst Pohlmann; John Kaminski; Bess Howe; Melissa Morse; Charlotte Driggs

New additions in bold print

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES:

Council: Wednesday, August 6, 7 PM, Fellowship Hall

Support Group: Friday, August 8, 10:30 AM, Library

Desperately Needed! Women's Fellowship needs baskets for the Holiday Fair. Donations may be left in the Women's Fellowship closet.

The loose offering collected today is placed in the Deacons' Fund for aid, in time of emergency, to people within the congregation.

Summer Sunday School for grades 3 years-3rd grade needs teachers for a one-week (or more) commitment. Please sign up on the bulletin board near the Library.

Please Note: 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**.

Scrip-Your-All earnings have reached \$4,100! Thank you to all who have helped us reach this milestone! Our goal for the end of the year is now \$6,000. Come downstairs today to pick up your grocery cards, gifts for weddings, birthdays, etc. Check out our new card offerings and the **120+ eCards that we can print for immediate use**. We can also re-load many of your existing cards. If you use a Smart Phone, go to MyScripWallet.com to get the Scrip app that allows you to carry your eCards in your phone (no printing necessary). To learn more about the Scrip-Your-All program, stop at the Scrip-Your-All table during Coffee Hour or go online to ShopWithScrip.com (enrollment Code: F2F1CF113843L). For the Scrip app (iPhone and Android) visit myscripwallet.com.

Greeter and Coffee Hour Summer Schedule

- August 10 Board of Christian Education/TPC
- August 17 Ways and Means Committee
- August 24 Library Committee/Board of Trustees
- August 31 Stewardship & Evangelism and flower Committees

Thank you to the Furnishings & Memorials and Ushering Committees for hosting today!

Reminder: FCCV records its Sunday worship services. These services are available for viewing on a one-week delay on Comcast Community Voice Channel 5, Sunday mornings at 10 AM and Monday evenings at 6 PM. Check your local listings or go to www.CVCCT.org for the dates and times of showings of other FCCV events. Full length DVDs of the services are also available for borrowing in the Library.

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 (872-1757 or jmoze@hotmail.com) or Jon Dunlap (875-7254).