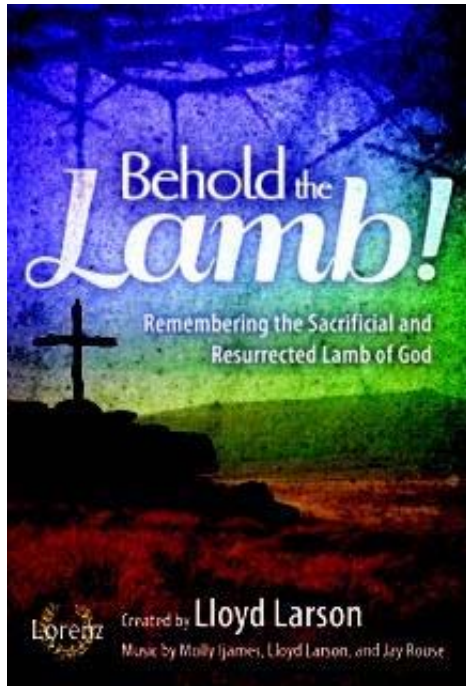

Subject: Pastor's Weekly Email

From: News from FCCV (lists@firstchurchofvernon.org)

To:

Date: Friday, March 11, 2016 11:23 AM



Beloved!

On Sunday our Sanctuary Choir, under the direction of Leanne Connolly, and organist James Burr, will present an Easter Cantata. It promises to be fabulous!

I wanted to share this wonderful paragraph from Director of Christian Education, Debi Hockenberry's March Carillon article, in which she responds to a recent Hartford Courant article on young families and church: **Young families said they didn't attend church because it was too difficult with small children. They make noise, and laugh, and they just aren't quiet when they're supposed to be. Silly children, being happy and full of life...Here at FCCV we "get" kids. It's not natural for a small child to sit perfectly still and quiet. So, please... bring your little wild one to church! After the Children's Message, we go downstairs where they have a little more freedom, but please**

don't stay away because your baby makes happy gurgles and coos, or your toddler points out different things in the church with loud exuberance. We love kids. If we look at them, it's because we love to see them. If we smile, it's because we have either been through it ourselves or witnessed many, many like them and we are enjoying them. Think of us as family. If it really bothers you, bring your child up to the Cradle Room where they can play and you can hear the service, but please, don't avoid church with your little ones. Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them! For the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to those who are like these children." - Matthew 19:14 We're raising some awesome kids here at FCCV!

Amen and Amen to that!

Don't forget to spring your clock forward one hour before you go to bed tomorrow night!

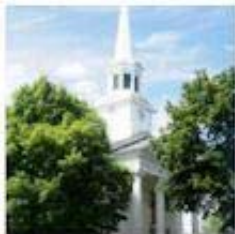
Behold the Lamb!,
Rev. Suz, Interim Senior Pastor

REMINDER....

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday

in Fellowship Hall following the Worship Service
to hear and act upon the staff configuration as recommended
by Church Council and the 2016 budget extension as discussed
at the January Annual Fiscal Meeting.



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