
Subject: Pastor's Weekly Email

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

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Family and Friends of FCCV,

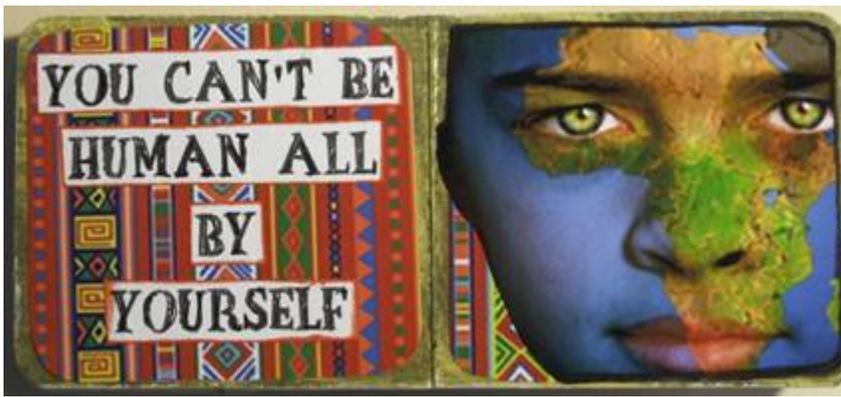


"Ubuntu" (oo-BUUN-too)

This Sunday is Children's Sunday! Under the leadership of our Director of Christian Education, Debi Hockenberry, each Sunday school class has been preparing a special presentation to share with us during our worship service. The "Ubuntu" theme is like our Golden Rule. In the way that kids interpret it, it means, "How can we be happy if one of us is sad?"

It is exciting to watch our young worshippers learn about God, learn about how to treat each other, and learn about their church community. Even though you may not have children who will be sharing on Sunday, or maybe your children are grown, you are still a part of their faith community. They need us. They need to know that we support them at this young stage in their Christian walk by being present for them. Matthew's gospel states it well, "*When the religious leaders saw the outrageous things he (Jesus) was doing, and heard all the children running and shouting through the Temple, 'Hosanna to David's Son!' they were up in arms and took him to task. 'Do you hear what these children are saying?' Jesus said, 'Yes, I hear them. And haven't you read in God's Word, 'From the mouths of children and babies I'll furnish a place of praise?'"* (Matthew 21:15-16)

We have a place of praise! Come and experience worship with our children and youth!



Grace be to y'all,
Robin



Prelude to the Preludes

Though this week's preludes all fall within the domain of "classical" music, they should nevertheless hold some appeal to children of all ages (as well as the young-at-heart). Ede Poldini's "Poupee Valsante" (Waltzing Doll) is a charming miniature that Fritz Kreisler made famous when he transcribed it for his instrument, the violin. "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star" and the "Alphabet Song" have the same simple melody which actually originated in France. A couple decades after it was published (in 1761) Mozart wrote a set of twelve variations on the tune, known by its French title: "Ah vous dirai-je, Maman."

I'll also play a couple pieces from the opera: the sunny "Overture" to Schubert's "Rosamunde" and Leo Delibes' Hungarian Dance, Csardas. The final prelude may be one of the most recognizable pieces in all of classical music--Franz Liszt's second "Hungarian Rhapsody." Perhaps on account of its rambunctiousness it's been used in numerous early cartoons featuring Mickey Mouse (1929), Krazy Kat, Bugs Bunny, Tom and Jerry, Woody Woodpecker, not to mention the Marx Brothers and many other films. I admit it was one of my favorites when I first became interested in the classics sometime during my middle-school years. Enjoy! ---James

Reminders...

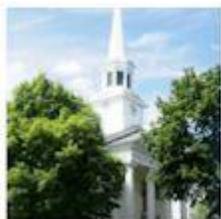
Annual Meeting this Sunday following the Worship Service.

Olive Garden Pasta Dinner Fundraiser, this Sunday from 5:30-7 PM in Fellowship Hall. The J*Walkrz will be **selling tickets during Coffee Hour**. Adults, \$12 and kids, \$7. Meal includes a pasta, salad and breadstick dinner. Please support our youth in their mission and enjoy some really great company as well! Our youth will also be **selling Jeff's Kettle Corn** for \$6 a bag or \$30 for a card of 5 bags plus one free (with this option you shop at the store in Tolland).

The Young Christian Leaders Scholarship Program is a \$500,000 commitment from the law firm of Daniel P. Buttafuoco & Associates to support the next generation of dedicated Christian professionals who will use their talents to impact their families, communities and the world." Our very own Ryan Moreau is a nominee for the YCL scholarship this month. We can help support Ryan by voting for him when you click on the link on our Facebook page.

FCCV will participate in the 49 Bells Movement

"As part of many acts of love and kindness following the tragedy, some of the mothers of the Pulse victims reached out to the City of Orlando and the One Orlando Alliance with a special idea: find 49 churches around the world willing to toll their church bells 49 times in tribute to the 49 loved ones taken that day. The 49 Bells project will be just one part of the Act. Love. Give. movement that is taking place on **June 12**. "Orlando United Day - A Day of Love and Kindness," June 12, is now dedicated to the 49 innocent lives taken at Pulse Orlando on June 12, 2016 in Orlando, Florida. The announcement recognizes and reaffirms the community's commitment to the Pulse survivors, family members of the victims and their loved ones, in addition to recognizing an outpouring of global compassion and love displayed in the wake of the tragedy."



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