
Subject: Pastor's Weekly Email

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Family and Friends of FCCV,

What a wonderful 2 months we have spent outside this summer for our Sunday worship services! I enjoyed the sunshine, the birds chirping, the gentle breezes, and the much needed shade. **This Sunday, September 4th, we will be back inside our beautiful sanctuary for our Sunday services which will begin at 10 a.m.**

Sunday's sermon will come from the Book of Esther in our Hebrew Scriptures. Ms. Martha Fowler won the "Sermon of Your Choice" auction bid from the Golf Tournament in June. Come and hear the beautiful story of an orphaned girl, Hadassah, who grew up to be Queen Esther and saved her people from demise!

Most of you are aware that the Hockanum Valley Day Care, who occupied our educational building for over 40 years, ended its services at the end of June 2016. We were extremely fortunate to host such a wonderful ministry to our community. Since the beginning of July, Millie Oliphant, co-chair of the Board of Christian Education, has "led the charge" to organize, clean, and paint our education wing in order for our classrooms to be ready for Rally Sunday. Dave Symonds has been instrumental in patching ceilings, waxing floors, and laying tile in the toddler room. Both Millie and Dave have spent countless hours over these past 2 months making this space ready to welcome our children and youth. There have been numerous volunteers – whose names will be shared soon – to help along the way. I cannot adequately express my gratitude for all the work that has been done. I am so very proud of all of you, and feel blessed to serve such giving and caring people!

FCCV volunteers to prepare and serve lunch at The Cornerstone Soup Kitchen the 1st Saturday of every month. This event is coordinated by the Board of Missions. The preparations begin at 9 a.m. and then lunch is served around 11:15 a.m. If you would like to share in this wonderful ministry opportunity, please contact Taunya Bird at 407.655.9880, or look for the sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall on the "What's Happening" bulletin board. You are needed!

Grace be to y'all!
Robin

Prelude to the Preludes

This weekend we celebrate Labor Day but there's not a lot of music written for the occasion. I could only think of a couple tie-ins. One last rag to usher out summer: "The Eight O'Clock Rush" by Bess Rudisill. Then a baroque piece by Francois Couperin called "Le Tic-Toc-Choc ou les Maillotins" which evokes incessant (but musical) hammering. "Work for the Night is Coming" is an old-timey hymn from the 1860's which charges one to "make hay while the sun shines" before we take our eternal rest. Lastly, I've paired a brief Prelude by J.S. Bach with Wagner's Overture to the Meistersinger--a rousing finish in C major. As an offertory anthem, Michelle and David Bower will sing "How Beautiful" by Twila Paris. --James



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