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**Subject:** Pastor's Weekly Email

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

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**Date:** Friday, September 16, 2016 11:49 AM

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Family and Friends of FCCV,



We had a spectacular day of celebration this past Sunday, which was Rally Sunday! I could actually *feel* the excitement as we worshipped together. That excitement is still buzzing through the halls here at church and I'm sure we will all feel it again this Sunday.

Once again, we will share in the sweetness and joy of a baptism. Tyler Gregory Richards will be baptized during our Sunday morning service. Along with Lindsay and Greg, Tyler's parents, we will welcome Tyler's family and friends to join us for this special day.

This Sunday, we are starting a new program called "**Coffee & Conversation**" - a time of intentional conversation about a specific topic to be shared by a presenter(s). It will be held during Coffee Hour in the designated space named "Coffee & Conversation." Look for it this Sunday in Fellowship Hall ... and join the J-Walkrz, our youth, as they share their experiences from the National Youth Event this past summer!

Speaking of the youth ... a new group has been started that is called **J-Walkrz Jrz (or J-Jrz for short)**. This is a group that includes our younger youth from grades 4 to 7. They will have their very first meeting **THIS SUNDAY** from 3:30 – 5 p.m. I've already heard that some pretty wacky and wild stuff has been planned! Make sure you stop by the J-Jrz table after service on Sunday!

This Sunday's text comes from Genesis 15 where God makes a promise to Abraham. Come and hear this promise ... and hear what God is saying to you! Come and celebrate God!

Grace be to y'all,  
Robin



### **Prelude to the Preludes**

Have you noticed the beautiful Harvest Moon growing more brilliant each night this week? Well, it reminded me of a promise I made this summer (to whom I forget, and beg their pardon) to play Beethoven's "Moonlight" Sonata—at least the popular first movement. Like many pieces of classical music, its nickname came from someone else besides the composer. In this case the poet and music critic Ludwig Rellstab compared the effect of the first movement to that of moonlight shining on Lake Lucerne. The final "presto agitato" movement is a bit too stormy, violent and downright difficult for this Sunday so I've taken the liberty of pairing the famous "adagio sostenuto" movement with a Prelude by Chopin which shares its wistful melancholy and the somber key of C-sharp minor. The last three preludes take up the theme of peace and brotherly love. "Hymn for

Brotherhood" by Hughes you will recognize as "In Christ There Is No East or West" while the other two are original pieces by contemporary composers Paxton and Chesterton. —James

## REMINDER.....

Ways and Means will be holding their **Shred Event** this **Saturday, September 17** from **9 AM-2 PM**. This event is open to the public, so spread the word! **Shredding** will be **available** from **9 AM-Noon** in the church parking lot. For \$10 per box (a paper box like you buy at Staples which holds 10 reams of paper) we will unload your car and you may watch your personal data being disposed of!

In addition to the Shred Event, we will also be having a **Book/Mum/Bake Sale** that will continue until 2 PM. **Baked goods are needed for the Bake Sale. Anyone who would like to provide baked goods may drop them off at church on the morning of the event.** Thanks in advance. For additional information, contact Carol Slicer at (860) 872-2690. Hope to see you there!



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