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**Subject:** Pastor's Weekly Email

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**From:** FCCV (fccv@snet.net)

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**To:** fccv@snet.net;

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**Date:** Friday, October 18, 2013 11:12 AM

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### Friends in Christ,

Do you remember the first time you stood up to sing, speak or lead a prayer in church? This week, young people from our Youth Group and Transformers choir will do just that. I hope you will support them with your prayers and your presence as they spread their wings of faith and learn to fly. I am so proud of our young people! I know you are, too.

Also this week, we will celebrate the sacrament of Baptism as we welcome Olivia Lucille Bilodeau into the body of Christ. Olivia is the daughter of Dan and Arista Bilodeau. We share in their joy and blessing!

Finally, we are getting ready to create a new pictorial directory and we need YOU to make it complete! Photos will be taken on November 22-23, November 25-27, and December 3. Each family (or individual) photographed will receive a free 8x10 professional portrait and directory just for participating. Family and friends are encouraged to participate as well. They do NOT need to be members of our congregation to have their picture taken and receive a free portrait. (Nor do they need to be included in the directory).

Schedule your portrait sitting in one of three convenient ways:

1. Go to our website: <http://www.firstchurchofvernon.org/> and click on the link.
2. Sign up in Fellowship Hall during coffee hour this Sunday.
3. Or call Martha Fowler at (860) 896-0768 for assistance.

Remember - you will never be younger or better looking than you are right now!!! Sign up today and bring your friends or family for a FREE one-of-a-kind keepsake that is sure to make you smile long after the flash has faded. Our new directory simply won't be the same without you.

God is blessing our church in so many wonderful ways! I look forward to seeing what God has in store for us this Sunday. See you there!

With you on the journey,  
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**COMING UP...**

**Youth Fellowship** trip to **Lake Compounce**, Saturday, October 26, 4-11 PM. Cost: Rides and Graveyard - \$29.99; Rides Only - \$22.99. **Sunday, October 20 is the last day to sign-up.**

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**Trunk or Treating:** Sunday, October 27, 11:30 AM in the church parking lot (parsonage side). Adults are invited to decorate their car trunks (decorating not required to participate) and hand out candy to the children who will be wearing their Halloween costumes to church. And, kids...don't forget to bring a bag for all the candy you will collect! **Adults participating must sign up. You can do so today during Coffee Hour at the BCE table in Fellowship Hall.**

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**Apple Festival:** Saturday, October 26, 8 AM - 3 PM, sponsored by Women's Fellowship. **The following is needed...**

**Donations of baked goods.** Please drop off at the church anytime on Friday, October 25 or Saturday, October 26 by 9 AM. Please label if item contains nuts or is gluten-free and have packaged to sell.

**Volunteers to bake pies** on Friday, October 25 starting at 9 AM. Please bring a knife, cutting board and apple peeler/parer if you have one. Ingredients will be supplied.

**Volunteers to help set up** on Friday, October 25 from 12 - 5 PM

**Volunteers to work at the festival and to help on the Bake and Book Sale Tables** on Saturday, October 26 from 8 AM - 3 PM