
Subject: Pastor's Weekly Email

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

To:

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Family and Friends of FCCV,



"Serve the Lord with celebration! Come before him with shouts of joy!" writes the psalmist; in Nehemiah, we read, "This day is holy to our Lord. Don't be sad, because the joy from the Lord is your strength!" This week we will be lighting the Advent Candle of JOY! Joy is not dictated by our circumstances. Our joy comes from possessing God's undivided attention and unfailing love. I hope that during this Advent Season you are filled with overwhelming joy!

Have you heard it's "All About That Baby"? Well, it is! And our children will be sharing the Christmas story with us this Sunday morning through a musical presentation. I encourage you to come and support our young worshippers while they share their talent and heart for Jesus with us. I guarantee you will not be disappointed. They have worked very hard and they are super excited to show all of us how much they love God through this presentation.

Come experience God with us! God is doing great things in our midst!

Grace be to y'all,
Robin

Prelude to the Preludes

All the preludes (and the postlude) are familiar Christmas songs, but I'll single out one that had its origins in our own corner of the world. The Massachusetts hymn-writer Edmund Sears penned the lines of "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear" back when our country was on the brink of a civil war--perhaps as a plea for "peace on the earth, good will to men." His poem was set to music by a prominent Boston musician named Richard Willis. I'll end by weaving together a medley of joyous Christmas favorites especially for children. Then I'm looking forward (as we all are) to the joy that the children of FCCV will bring to our service in their musical about "that baby." ---James



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