

October 11, 2009
10:00 AM Service

We welcome you to the Village Congregational Church as we gather for this service of praise and worship. May God bless your life today.

Nursery care is offered during the service.

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***-Please stand if you are able.**

PRELUDE-"Selected"

JOYS AND CONCERNS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP- "Not I, but Christ" Forrest

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he had visited and redeemed his people, and has raise up a horn of salvation for us; to give light to those who sit in darkness and to guide our feet in the way of peace.

***HYMN-** "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" #68

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**(In Unison)

Gracious God, forgive us for allowing living water to be fouled. There are times when we blame you for all our troubles, and cast upon you the waste of our lives. Our wants are insatiable through misuse of your mercy; we tap your good graces with unending requests. We let the waters of our baptism become barren and stagnant; new life cannot flourish when we don't do your will. Cleanse us through Christ, in whose name we confess to you, and bathe us in mercy to give us fresh hope.

***WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

For I am convinced that neither death nor life, not angels or rulers, things present or things to come can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Therein lies our assurance of pardon, through Jesus our Lord, who taught us to pray.

***LORD'S PRAYER** (Trespases/Trespas)

***HYMN OF PRAISE-**"He Is Lord" #103

(The Sunday School is excused to go to class)

SCRIPTURE LESSON – Galatians 6: 7-10

Don't be misled—you cannot mock the justice of God. You will always harvest what you plant. Those who live only to satisfy their own sinful nature will harvest decay and death from that sinful nature. But those who live to please the Spirit will harvest everlasting life from the Spirit. So let's not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up. Therefore, whenever we have the opportunity, we should do good to everyone—especially to those in the family of faith.

CHOIR ANTHEM- "Lord Jesus, I Love Thee" Gordon/Yannerella

SILENT PRAYER

Prayer List – Geryl Anderson, Mary Andrews, Albert Brouder, Sue Burns, Darcy Cassidy, John Ciampi, Anna Fijol, Alexander Gregoire, Pauline Guyette, Lola Harper, Ken & Lois Macomber, James Maloughney, Phil Poore, Amy Pupka, Steven Valk, Ed Witkin, Ren Yeo, Hany.

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY- "Selected"

***DOXOLOGY**

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**(In Unison)

Lord, as we present our offerings, we remember how the church began with a small group of believers gathered in the upper room, and grew to include every nationality, race and tribe. We give these gifts in order for that church to continue to thrive. AMEN.

***HYMN-**"Blessed Be The Name" #59

MESSAGE

***HYMN-** "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" #56

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE- "Selected"

Announcements

The Chancel flowers are given in loving memory of Bernard Bortz and George and Laura Plitouke by Melanie and Anthony Plitouke and Matt, Nick and Sherry.

The Guyette family and the Paille family will be hosting coffee hour this morning.

Volunteers and donations needed for the CROP Hunger Walk on October 17. We need people to walk and people to sponsor those who walk. Please help raise money and awareness to bring clean water to families in impoverished areas. We walk so they don't have to. The Northbridge Association of churches sponsors the walk. For more information please contact Carolyn Mitchell, coordinator, at 508-234-3544 or Mike Tatarek, Treasurer, at 508-234-5768.

Clothing needed! Please clean out your closets and give to the Outreach Clothing Drive in time for winter. Donations go to local and global families in need. Donations can be dropped off in Mason Hall.

The Northbridge Association of Churches is presenting "It's a Matter of Faith: Talking About Domestic Violence in Our Churches" on Wednesday, October 28, from 7 PM – 9 PM at the Blackstone Valley United Methodist Church.

This Week:

Children's Choir rehearses today at 11:15 AM

Youth Group will meet today at 5 PM

Music Committee will meet Monday at 6 PM

A Cappella Choir will rehearse Monday at 7 PM

Village Bells will rehearse Tuesday at 6:45 PM

Chancel Choir will rehearse Wednesday at 7 PM

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