

THE SERVICE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

March 7, 2010

10:00 AM Service

We welcome you to the Village Congregational Church as we gather for this time of reflection on God's love for his people. May God inspire and bless our hearts and lives today.

Nursery care is offered during the service.

***All who are able please stand**

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PRELUDE- "Selected"

WELCOME and OPPORTUNITIES

*CALL TO WORSHIP- "Jesu, Blessed Jesu" Young

*HYMN- "Victory In Jesus" #511

*INVOCATION

O God of heaven, From whom all creatures on earth have breath: Lord God of all good creation from the beginning! Draw near to us men and women of clay. Give us breath to sing your praise. AMEN.

*GLORIA PATRI

SCRIPTURE LESSONS- Isaiah 42:1-4; Hebrews 4:14-16; Mark 1:1

"Look at my servant, whom I strengthen. He is my chosen one, who pleases me. I have put my Spirit upon him. He will bring justice to the nations. He will not shout or raise his voice in public. He will not crush the weakest reed or put out a flickering candle. He will bring justice to all who have been wronged. He will not falter or lose heart until justice prevails throughout the earth. Even distant lands beyond the sea will wait for his instruction.

So then, since we have a great High Priest who has entered heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to what we believe. This High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses, for he faced all of the same testings we do, yet he did not sin. So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most.

This is the Good News about Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God. It began..."

CHANCEL CHOIR ANTHEM- "He Won the Fight" Leech/arr. Tabell

SILENT PRAYER

Prayer List - Mary Andrews, Vahness Buchanan, Darcy Cassidy, Anna Fijol, Robert Garabedian, Penny Gustafson, Pauline Guyette, Lola Harper, Billy Hindes, Maggie Jaffarian, Kristen Kent, Ken & Lois Macomber, Kristine Thompson, Hany.

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER (Trespases/Trespas)

OFFERTORY- " Selected"

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER

*HYMN- "What A Friend We have in Jesus" #162

MESSAGE

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*CONFESSION OF SIN (In Unison)

O God, I offer you my confession in union with the merits and sufferings of Jesus Christ, my Savior; asking you to pardon all that is wrong and supply all that is wanting. Grant that what is spoken on earth will be confirmed in Heaven, through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

THE INVITATION

THE COMMUNION

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*BENEDICTION

*HYMN- "Since Jesus Came into My Heart" #351

POSTLUDE- "Selected"

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Announcements

The Chancel Flowers are given in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Wood by Bob and Barbara Bosma. They are also given in loving memory of Elinor Wood Smith, Marjorie Wood and Marilyn Wood Blair by Jeffrey and Betty Smith.

All are welcome to join us in Mason Hall for coffee hour following the worship service. Thanks to Kristin Reeves-Hall for hosting this morning.

The birthday party held on Feb 28th was truly a "Bash!" The kids had a marvelous time chasing each other. What a great opportunity for fellowship! The event was fully attended: no seats left. The kids had cake smiles, a balloon and a bag of candy from the Pinata at the conclusion of the party. Thanks to all who helped out and to all who brought a potluck dish and/or birthday cake! Everything was delicious! The baby pictures were so cute, especially Dottie Kanz's! Special thanks to this year's Confirmation Class for putting up the decorations. You kids are great! Good job, Heather, Debbie, Dottie, Donna, Jo, Johnny Jr. and that church custodian!

Volunteers are needed for the Peace of Bread meal on March 17th. We need help with set up, cooking, serving and clean up. Please sign up in Mason Hall. Be prepared to wear the color green!

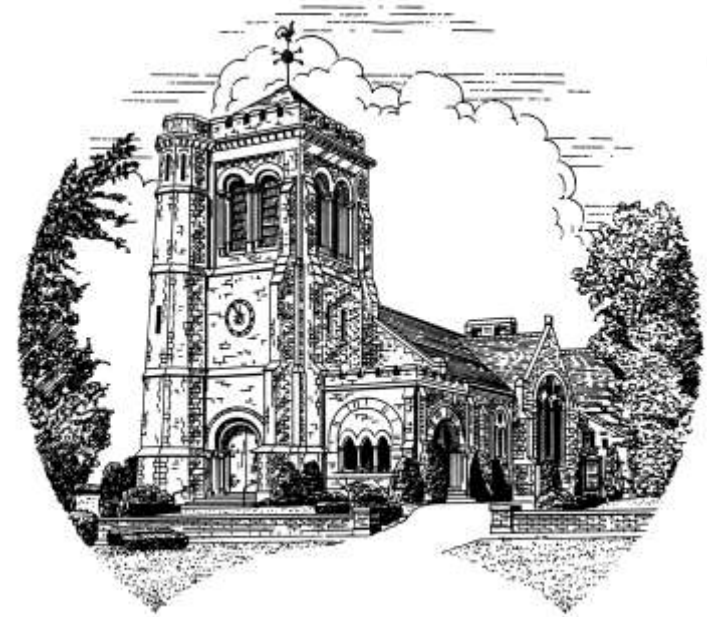
The VCC will be providing Easter baskets to families in need. Please support this effort to bring the good news to others. Tags and sign ups are in Mason Hall.

The next VCC book discussion will be held on March 21st, shortly after worship. We will be discussing the book The Year of Living Biblically by A. J. Jacobs. All are welcome to join in. If you are interested please sign the yellow pad in Mason Hall & read the book prior to attending. We'd love to have you join us Please contact JoAnne Guyette with any questions.

Next week Marion Bosma will start collecting money for Easter flowers. Look for order forms in the bulletin starting next week.

Whitinsville Christian School WCS Preview: On Saturday, March 13, at 9:00 a.m., learn more about what makes Whitinsville Christian School distinctively Christian, actively engaged, student-focused, academically challenging, artistically comprehensive, and athletically competitive in an informative and engaging format. Presentations, panel discussions, and a campus tour are included. **Registration is required. For more information or to register please call (508) 234-8211, Ext. 11.** Whitinsville Christian School, 279 Linwood Ave., Whitinsville, MA 01588, www.wcs.mec.edu

This Week:
4th-6th Grade Youth Group- Today 6pm
Music Committee- Monday 6pm
A Cappella- Monday 7pm
Village Bells- Tuesday 6:45pm
CE Committee- Tuesday 7:30pm
Chancel Choir- Wednesday 7pm



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