

WORDS FROM OUR PASTOR



Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ!

Finally we begin to witness the signs of spring season around us. Even though we still see a snow capped mountain, we can feel, smell, and almost touch the

warm breeze spring brings. In no time, we would see green grass, flowers, and trees with green leaves. We would also begin to work on our gardens. We are filled with excitement and joy, just because of the change of season into spring. And we would want to make the best and most of this new season. We would not want to miss opportunities to enjoy the signs of spring. We would hate it when and if we miss it. It is like a long waited show or game you just miss it because of unexpected and unplanned events.

Now can we replace the signs of spring with the signs of God's presence? Are we excited about all the signs of God's presence? Are we expectant and hoping to catch at least a few signs of God? Would we be sad or regretful when and if we miss those signs that God intends for us? Do we have such desire to enjoy every sign of God's presence?

God's signs are without limits and boundaries. God is everywhere. God can come and speak to us in places we expect the least. God can whisper to us, even when we are not ready to hear and see the signs of God. God's signs can be in everywhere and everything. They are meant for us to recognize, appreciate, give thanks and praise, pray, and to work with.

This season of spring presents us numerous and constant reminders of a new season and a new creation. We can also expect to encounter many signs of God in any day of the week. As much as we get excited about the spring, why don't we get excited about God's signs. So let us be expectant, vigilant, and hopeful for God's signs are everywhere all the times.

In Christ, Your pastor, SangChurl Bae

MEMO FROM GOD

To: You Date: Today From: The Boss Subject: Yourself Reference: Life

Today I will be handling all of your problems. Please remember that I do not need your help. If life happens to deliver a situation to you that you cannot handle, do not attempt to resolve it. Kindly put it in the SFGTD (Something for God to do) box. It will be addressed in My time, not yours. Once the matter is placed into the box, do not hold on to it.

God

Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass....
It is learning how to dance in the rain.

Prayer Chain: If you have a concern and wish to have prayers sent through the chain, you call Ginnie Martin at 244-8955. She will contact Pastor Bae at 899-4288 & then she will call JoEllen Valley 244-1780 who will in turn call Prue Baker 244-7538 – Prue calls Jessie Graves 244-6380 – Jessie calls Bev Vilcins 244-5040 – Bev calls Diane Corse 244-8137 and Diane will call Ginnie. Your prayer concern will have made the loop. Prayer chain people: In the event that no one personally answers your call, please leave a message if you wish, but do go ahead and call the next person on the chain to keep it going!

May MINISTRIES

- 1 MAY DAY
- 3 HOLY COMMUNION
- 8 Tag Sale 9 a.m. 4 p.m.
- 9 Tag Sale 9 a.m. 3 p.m.
- 12 Fun Faithful Folks meet 10 a.m. Lunch provided
- 13 Ladies Aide at the church 2:00 p.m.
- 16 ARMED FORCES DAY
- 17 WeaveR deadline for June issue
- 18 Trustees meet at 6 p.m.
- 25 MEMORIAL DAY celebrated

TRUSTEES

No report this month.

*Next meeting Monday, May 18th at 6pm.

Tag Sale, Crafts, Baked Goods

May 8, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. & **May 9**, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Includes: household items, appliances, toys, books, linens, collectables & much more.

The Fun Faithful Folk (Craft group) will have items they have made. You'll find Great Gift

Baked goods will be available – cookies, breads & baked beans. If you have items to donate <u>be sure we have them one week in advance, otherwise we won't have time to get them set up for the sale.</u>

FYI

- ..The Turkey Take out dinner raised close to \$900.00. Will report the amount next month.
- ..We still need those 1# coffee cans....leave in the kitchen

MY CUP RUNNETH OVER

I've never made a fortune, and it's probably too late now. But I don't worry about that much, I'm happy anyhow.

And as I go along life's way, I'm reaping better than I sowed. I'm drinking from my saucer, 'cause my cup has overflowed.

I haven't got a lot of riches, and sometimes the going's tough. But I've got loved ones around me, and that makes me rich enough.

I thank God for his blessings, and the mercies He's bestowed. I'm drinking from my saucer, 'cause my cup has overflowed.

Oh, I remember times when things went wrong, my faith wore somewhat thin.

But all at once the dark clouds broke, and sun peeped through again.

So Lord, help me not to gripe, about the tough rows that I've hoed. I'm drinking from my saucer, 'cause my cup has overflowed.

If God gives me strength and courage, when the way grows steep and rough.

I'll not ask for other blessings, I'm already blessed enough.

And may I never be too busy, to help others bear their loads. Then I'll keep drinking from my saucer, 'cause my cup has overflowed.



FUN, FAITHFUL FOLKS



At the April meeting we made Mother's Day gifts which will be handed out on Mother's Day, May 10th. We ended with a nice visit during lunch. Our next meeting will be May 14th. Please consider joining us then. If you need a ride call Mary Ethel at 244-7558.



Successful witnessing depends on four essential ingredients:

- $\ensuremath{\mathbb{1}}$ The joy you have in your own heart. If you are thrilled to be a Christian, you won't have trouble convincing lost people of the value of accepting Christ.
- 2 The purity of your own life. If your own life is right with God, lost people will listen to what you have to say. If your life is stained with sin, your testimony for Christ will be weakened.
- 3 Your ability to use the Bible. The successful Christian witness has to know his Bible. With a thorough knowledge of God's Word, you should be able to answer the questions and excuses put forward by the unsaved.
- 4 Your willingness to try. You can't win others to Christ if you don't make the effort! Catch the vision. Talk about Jesus to everyone you meet. Winning others to Christ is one of the greatest joys in life.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES

Be back soon.

rescuecoach@comcast.net or 244-6723. Nancy and Jeff Robinson

> A Sunday school teacher was discussing the Ten Commandments with her give and six year olds. After explaining the commandment to 'Honour thy rather and thy mother, ' she asked, 'Is there a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters?" Without missing a beat, one little boy answered, 'Thou shall not kill..'

MISSIONS

The last Special offering was for Native Americans Ministries April 19th. Ongoing specials are the Local Food Shelf (in great need at this time); and the 'Goodie Box' for O.U.R. House. The Penny Bank and Birthday Bank are back in the front of the sanctuary ready for 2015.

-Prue Baker & Peggy Gates, Co-Chairs

SUNDAY SCHOOL

It's hard to believe but Sunday School classes will end May 17th with our Annual Children's Day tradition of celebrating our children during the service. We will also prepare refreshments that day as well. The last day of actual classes will be May 10th. We will announce the results of our 'Fish of Dimes' in the next issue of the WeaveR. Thank you to the families who bring their children to our small but steady Sunday School! And thank you to my co-teachers, Peggy Gates, Melissa Tice and Kaity Tice!

Debbie

NEWS from our Church Family

-Kelly Welch, Reporter-

Congratulations to Chloe Lavign for receiving an award from the Vermont Historical Society for her documentary category for "Rowland T. Robinson: Ordinary Farmer, Extraordinary Man" ...

The "Goodie Box" is up front and almost ready to be delivered. If you want to contribute and don't want to shop, see me any Sunday after church and I will be glad to shop for you.

lf you are planting flower flats for garden, why not plant your own one OUR House garden? I will pick the them up or you can bring to church any Sunday. I won't need them until Memorial Day. Hopefully it will be warm by then! Thank you to everyone for your help with this worthwhile mission.

-Virginia Martin

MUSIC

With summer coming soon the choir will be doing special hymns through Graduation Sunday and then will be on leave until September. Our choir adds so much to our services each week and they always welcome new voices, Soooo - if you like to sing in the shower or in the car, etc. this is the place for you. If you would like to join us in September, we practice on Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:30. Contact Dan Krymkowski or anyone in the choir for more information.

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In ancient times, a King had a boulder placed on a roadway. Then he hid himself and watched to see if anyone would remove the huge rock. Some of the king's wealthiest merchants and courtiers came by and simply walked around it. Many loudly blamed the king for not keeping the roads clear. But none did anything about getting the stone out of the way. Then a peasant came along carrying a load of vegetables. Upon approaching the boulder, the peasant laid down his burden and tried to move the stone to the side of the road. After much pushing and straining, he finally succeeded. After the peasant picked up his load of vegetables, he noticed a purse lying in the road where the boulder had been. The purse contained many gold coins and a note from the king indicating that the gold was for the person who removed the boulder from the roadway.

The peasant learned what many of us never understand. Every obstacle presents an opportunity to improve our condition.

LADIES AIDE

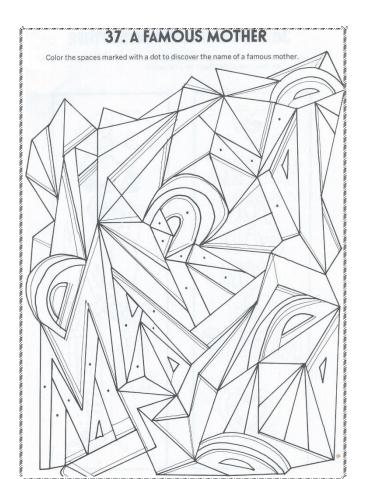
The Ladies Aide enjoyed their Annual "dining out" meeting this month. 7 ladies met at Maxi's for dinner and enjoyed a nice meal and good conversation.

The blanket challenge continues until Mother's Day the 10th of

The Sugar on Snow Supper netted \$1400. A thank you to all who participated in any way. Many complements followed the supper.

The next meeting will be at the church May 13th with our usual business meeting. Kelly Welch LA President

June WeaveR deadline May 17th



We cannot direct the wind But we can adjust our sails

PUPPIES FOR SALE

A farmer had some puppoes he need to sell. He painted a sign advertising the pups and set about nailing it to a post on the edge of his yard. As he was driving the last nail into the post, he felt a tug on his overalls. He looked down into the eyes of a little boy..

"Mister," he said, "Iwant to buy one of your puppies."

"Well, said the farmer, as he rubbed the sweat off the back of his neck, "These puppies come from fine parents and cost a good deal of money."

The boy dropped his head for a moment. Then reaching deep into his pocket, he pulled out a handful of change and held It up to the farmer. "I've got thirty-nine cents. Is that enough to take a look?"

"Sure, said the farmer. And with that he let out a whistle, :Here, Dolly!" he called. Out from the doghouse and down the ramp ran Dolly followed by four little balls of fur. The little boy pressed his face against the chain link fence. His eyes danced with delight. As the dogs made their way to the fence, the little boy noticed something else stirring inside the doghouse. Slowly another little ball appeared, this one noticeably smaller. Down the ramp it slid. Then in a somewhat awkward manner the little pup began hobbling toward the others, doing its best to catch up..... "I want that one," the little boy said, pointing to the runt.

The farmer knelt down at the boy's side and said, "Son, you don't want that puppy. He will never be able to run and play with you like these others dogs would."

With that the little boy stepped back from the fence, reached down, and began rolling up one let of his trousers. In doing so he revealed a steel brace running down both sides of his leg attaching itself to a specially made shoe. Looking back up at the farmer, he said, "You see sir, I don't run too well myself, and he will need someone who understands."

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The world is full of people who need Someone who understands!

'Our Histories are the Treasured directions to our Future'

WATERBURY'S HERO

In May we celebrate both Armed Forces Day and Memorial Day. Waterbury has a man who served in WWW II with honors. Daniel Marshall was born February 9, 1917 in a farmhouse that originally served as the Toll Keepers home on the earliest plank road between Waterbury and Stowe.

Marshall was a 1937 graduate and decided to enlist into the Marines in July 1941. He ended up in some of the most famous close quarter combat fought during the entire war. In March of 1942 Marshall was promoted to Private First Class with the paperwork being signed by Major-General H. Denny Campbell of Waterbury. Marshall served under Campbell and came to attention as a potential officer. Campbell recommended placing Marshall in Office Candidate School. He received his commission as a Second Lieutenant.

By war's end Marshall would end up with two Bronze Stars, two Purple Hearts, his picture in Look magazine and a series of promotions ending with his retirement as Lt. Colonel.

In December of 1943 he was in the Solomon Islands. In his first days of combat he picked up an MI Garrand from a dead Marine and carried this same rifle through such bloody battles as Guam and Iwo Jima. He served as an Intelligence Office. In Guam he was struck in the back by a sniper. The shot hitting his dinner plate deflected much of the bullet's power. In the fighting for Iwo Jima, Marshall was wounded once again, this time in the kneecap.

Returning stateside, Dan entered Harvard Graduate School of Education. He was awarded the Harvard Traveling Scholarship, which enabled Dan to study the transition from schools to work in England. Dan was appointed Assistant Professor of Education at Tufts. During 30 years of tenure, Dan was chairman of the Dept. of Education from 1954-1971.

Dr. Daniel Waite Marshall passed away at 91 years of age and is buried in the Old Route 100 Cemetery south of the Church in Waterbury Center.

Remember Dan and all those who have served to keep us free.

Our Future Is In Our Past

by

Betty Jones