

From the Pastor

Easter is almost here. Our theme in worship throughout Lent has been JOY. I've been wondering how much joy we actually have in life. Oh, we celebrate joyfully on Palm Sunday and again on Easter Sunday. But we also get a bit somber on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. Shouldn't we be just as joyful then as on Easter Sunday? Rick Warren defines joy as, "the settled assurance that God is in control of all the details of my life, the quiet confidence that ultimately everything is going to be alright, and the determined choice to praise God in every situation."

So, as we celebrate the joy of Jesus entering Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and as we celebrate Jesus' resurrection on Easter Sunday, let's also remember to be confident that God is in control even on Good Friday; and we can celebrate that too! When things are the most difficult and when we can't see a way forward, God is in control. When we feel alone and abandoned by our closest friends, God is in control. When we are falsely accused or beaten by the world, God is in control. In the good times and in the bad times, God is in control! Rejoice in all things! God is in control!

On Friday, April 26, Steve Gretz and Leslie Lee will be in concert here at Cornerstone. The concert will be after the Be Our Guest Dinner and will be free and open to the public. Also, joining Steve and Leslie will be The Waterwalkers. A love offering will be collected. Won't you join us for an evening of good food and great music!

An update on Howard Valley Church: at our most recent Advisory Council meeting, I proposed that we reinstate our contract with ABCCONN and begin hosting at least one worship service a year there. We will begin a couple of the major renovations (a new roof, stabilizing the front porch, painting inside and out, and repairing the corner posts of the building) to the building in the next few weeks, hoping to have them completed by July. Then we will schedule a cleanup day both inside and outside. Another change in the agreement is that Federated Church in Brooklyn will be assisting us with the annual service. Pastor Jane and I have discussed the possibility of having a monthly service at Howard Valley from May to September. If there is interest in the community then we will continue with other repairs as the funds are available from the Howard Valley account.

See you in church! I love you all!!

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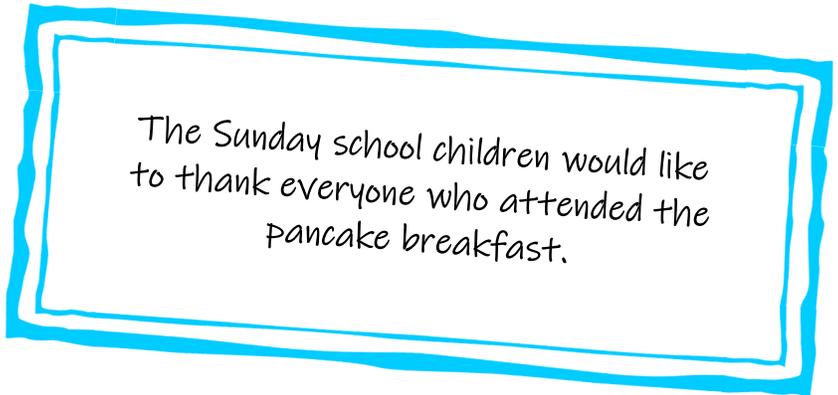
**In Worship
This Month**



- Sunday, April 7:** 10:30 am—Worship & Communion
Fifth Sunday in Lent—Self-discipline/denial with Joy - Blue
- Sunday, April 14:** 10:30 am—Palm Sunday Worship
Sixth Sunday in Lent—Giving with Joy - Purple, Indigo, Violet
- Good Friday, April 19:** Procession of the Cross—Davis Park, 11:30am, Worship at St. Alban's - noon
- Sunrise Svc. April 21:** 6:00 am - Allen Hill Tree Farm, Brooklyn
- Sunday, April 21:** 10:30 am—Easter Sunday Worship - Receiving with Joy
All colors of the rainbow
- Sunday, April 28:** 9:45 Fellowship
10:30 am—Worship, Family Sunday

Ladies Luncheon

The next luncheon will be on April 9th, at "Railside" in Dayville at 12 noon.
All ladies of the church are welcome.



Just a couple of reminders:

- Camp registration is due by April 1st. Please see the camp corner poster and sign the sheet for which week you plan to attend.
- Also, there will be no Sunday school classes on Easter Sunday.
- Family Sunday will be April 28th.

Pastor:
Rev. Scott Hayes

Organist/Choir Director:
Howard W. Curry

Director of Christian Education:
Cindy Marcheterre

Administrative Secretary:
Kris Useted

Remember: the last person to leave the church building should be sure that all doors and windows are closed/locked. The Academy Street door into Fellowship Hall is kept locked during the Sunday worship service. Thank you for helping us take care of our facilities.

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SPRING/SUMMER CLOTHING SWAP

April 14th

FOR ADULTS & CHILDREN: OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

You do NOT have to donate clothes to receive FREE clothes; just show up!



Closet Cleaning Opportunity! Seeking donations of clean, good condition clothes.

CLOTHES DROP OFF now until April 12th

(call the office to make sure the church will be open)

TAKE FREE CLOTHES: SUNDAY, April 14th, 11:30-3pm



All Are Welcome. Downstairs in Fellowship Hall.

Cornerstone Baptist Church, 247 Broad Street, Danielson, CT. 06239, 860-774-3907

Please note that any leftover clothing will be donated.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED AND APPRECIATED:

SUNDAY, April 7th: After memorial service reception - Set up & clean off racks

ALL WEEK of April 7th: Stop in when you get a chance to hang some clothes, but call the office to make sure the church will be open (Many Volunteers Needed)

Saturday April 13th: 8am-Noon or until done: HANG CLOTHES ON RACKS AS A GROUP (Many Volunteers Needed)

Sunday April 14th: CLOTHING SWAP 11:30-3pm (2 volunteers needed from 11:30-1:30, and 2 volunteers needed from 1:30-3pm)

FREE CONCERT!

At Cornerstone Baptist Church

247 Broad St., Danielson

Songs to lift the spirit and soothe the soul

Friday, April 26 – 6:30pm

(after the Be Our Guest Dinner)

Featuring the music of

Steve Gretz and Leslie Lee



Along with locally renowned band:



Free-will offering will be taken, proceeds to be donated to local charity.



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