

**FCCW Members:** All members are invited and encouraged to attend the Chair Meeting on this coming Saturday, May 3 from 8:30-10:00AM. We'll be hearing from each of the church's boards and committees about upcoming plans and ideas. Please come! Everyone is needed in the activity and rebuilding of our church body.

Any chair person or staff member who is unable to attend, please send a representative.

### Upcoming Events:

**Saturday May 3**—Chair Meeting – all members encouraged to attend 8:30-10:00 AM.

**Sunday, June 1**—Last day of Sunday School

**Sunday June 8**—First day of summer hours, worship begins at 9:30AM

### Weekly Opportunities

Tuesdays, 7:00 am—FCCW Breakfast Club (Middle School & High School Bible Study)  
Contact Michael Byrne at [michael@fccw.net](mailto:michael@fccw.net)

Tuesdays, 10:00 am—Ladies' Bible Study at FCCW and via ZOOM, contact Bonnie Atwood, (802) 457-4120, [bonhope2@gmail.com](mailto:bonhope2@gmail.com)

Tuesdays, 6:00 pm—Prayer Meeting via Zoom, contact Dick Atwood at (802) 457-4120, [rbatwood1@gmail.com](mailto:rbatwood1@gmail.com)

Wednesdays, 6:15 am — Men's Bible Study at FCCW and via ZOOM, contact Dick Atwood, (802) 457-4120, [rbatwood1@gmail.com](mailto:rbatwood1@gmail.com)

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*Welcome*  
*to the*  
**First Congregational Church**  
*of* **Woodstock, Vermont**

Declaring, "Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, today, and forever." Heb. 13:8

April 27, 2025

We are so pleased you are here with us today  
to worship Jesus Christ and celebrate the love of the Lord.

If you are a visitor, please sign the guest book in the entryway or fill out a welcome card at your seat and drop it in the offering plate.

### **OUR MISSION**

We are a Christ-centered community, proclaiming the grace and truth of the Gospel in Woodstock, the Upper Valley and the world, sharing Christ in word and deed.

### **OUR VISION**

We endeavor through the Holy Spirit's power to faithfully serve in this calling by ...

- Proclaiming Christ's truth and grace.
- Nurturing young and old in biblical growth.
- Reaching the lost with the only hope for salvation.
- Healing the broken with Christ's love and mercy.
- Practicing repentance, forgiveness, and reconciliation as Christ has commanded.

## The Order of Worship

April 27, 2025

10:30 AM

Welcome & Announcements ..... Elder Gil Emery

Prelude & Prepare for Worship ..... Organist, Jonathan Denham

✠ Call to Worship

✠ Hymn 164..... *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

Pastoral Prayer

Collection of Tithes & Offerings

✠ Doxology, hymnal 731 ..... *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

✠ Responsive Reading ..... Psalm 15, hymnal p. 787

✠ Hymn (printed lyrics) ..... *Before the Throne of God Above*

Scripture Reading ..... 1Peter 1:3-12, pew Bible p. 1014

Sermon ..... Joel Adeney

*Resurrection Joy*  
Habakkuk 3  
pew Bible p. 786

✠ Hymn 274..... *Thine Be the Glory*

✠ Benediction

Please be seated for a moment of reflection after the benediction  
and consider praying for someone seated near you

Postlude

✠ = please stand if able

Please remember to silence phones

Families with Young Children: We encourage parents to keep children with them in the pew during worship. There are a few toys and coloring supplies as well as children's bulletins available at the entrance to the sanctuary. If needed, however, there is a library space available for young ones and their adult helpers, (through the door up front to your left, then turn right) where you can watch the worship service livestream, and a selection of toys are available. We're glad you're here!

Please help us welcome our guest preacher, Joel Adeney.

Joel Adeney serves as a Pastoral Resident at Valley Bible Church in White River Junction and works full time at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center. He has degrees from Wheaton College and Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. Joel and his wife, Rebecca, live in Windsor with their five children..

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### Before The Throne Of God Above

#### Verse 1

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea  
A great High Priest whose name is Love, Who ever lives and pleads for me

My name is graven on His hands, My name is written on His heart  
I know that while in heaven He stands, No tongue can bid me thence depart

#### Verse 2

When Satan tempts me to despair, And tells me of the guilt within  
Upward I look and see Him there, Who made an end of all my sin

Because the sinless Savior died, My sinful soul is counted free  
For God the Just is satisfied, To look on Him and pardon me

#### Verse 3

Behold Him there the risen Lamb, My perfect spotless Righteousness  
The great unchangeable I AM, The King of glory and of grace

One with Himself I cannot die, My soul is purchased by His blood  
My life is hid with Christ on high, With Christ my Savior and my God