

Our Global Partners: The Board of Christian Missions invites you to pray for these individuals and organizations

- * Steve and Miki Thrall, Artists in Christian Testimony Intl., Normandy, France
- * Daniel and Elizabeth Ransom, Baptist Mid Missions, Perugia, Italy
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- * Ben & Sarah Courtemanche, Navigators, Burlington, Vermont
- * Caleb Rayapati, Harvest Ministries, Secunderabad, India
- * Little Branches Learning Center, Woodstock, Vermont
- * Elevation Family Ministries, Milton, VT
- * Teen Challenge Vermont, Johnson, VT
- * Bethany Birches Camp, Plymouth, VT
- * Matt and Tara, serving in west Africa
- * H & H, serving in the Middle East
- * His Mansion, Deering, NH

Pastoral Search Committee (PSC): Please pray for the entire PSC team, and their mission: Jennifer Barnes, Stephen Briggs, Preston Bristow, Dan Bruce, Ruth Emery, Heidi Gennaro, Paige Gibbs, Anne Hablitzel, Karl Huck (chair, 802/457-3072), Cora Koop, and Heidi Tucker. This committee continues to meet every Sunday after worship.

Weekly Opportunities this Summer

Tuesdays, 6:00 pm—Prayer Meeting in the FCCW library and via Zoom, contact Dick Atwood at (802) 457-4120, 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

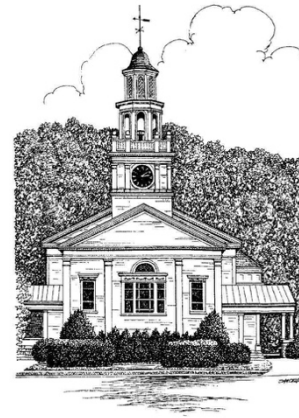
July 30, August 6, and August 13, from 6-7:30pm—Women's Bible Study at FCCW.
Contact Robyn Huck, (802) 457-3072, robynhuck@gmail.com

Did you know? FCCW has a collection of over 2,200 sermons and Bible lessons on our Sermon Audio page. Check it out! Here's the link:
<https://www.sermonaudio.com/broadcasters/fccwoodstock/>

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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

August 3, 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.

Order of Worship

August 3, 2025

9:25 AM

Welcome & Announcements Deacon Karl Huck

Prelude & Prepare for Worship Organist, Jonathan Denham

✠ Call to Worship Colossians 3: 12-13

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must also forgive.

✠ Hymn 529 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer (debts)

Scripture Reading Psalm 34:1-22, pew Bible p.463

Sermon Erik Schaefer

Taste and See that the Lord is Good

Psalm 34

pew Bible p. 463

✠ Hymn 523 *My Hope Is in the Lord*

Collection of Tithes & Offerings

Communion

✠ Hymn 310 *Rejoice, the Lord is King*

✠ 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

Please help us welcome our guest preacher, Erik Schaefer. Erik serves as Associate Pastor at Valley Bible Church. He and his wife, Anna, live in White River Junction with their three sons. Next week we'll welcome back Neal Patel.

We welcome families with young children! Parents are encouraged to keep children with them in the pew during worship, however we know this is not always possible. The downstairs nursery will be staffed with volunteers for the rest of the summer on August 3, August 17, and August 31. Another option, available every Sunday, is to use our library space (through the door up front on the left, then turn right) where you can watch the worship service livestream while supervising your children. A selection of toys are available. There are also a few toys and children's bulletins available at the entrance to the sanctuary. We're glad you're here! The downstairs nursery is staffed today, Sunday August 3, by Keri Bristow and Grace Esdon.

Summer Bible Study for Women: For three consecutive Wednesdays this summer, we'll be gathering for fellowship and Bible study here at FCCW. Please join us! Wednesday evenings July 30, August 6, and August 13 from 6 to 7:30pm. We'll be studying the concept of Joy in the Old Testament. This will be a precursor to our retreat day on November 8 on the full topic of Joy. Do you have questions? Please contact Robyn Huck at robynhuck@gmail.com or 802/457-3072.

Vespers Next Sunday, August 10: Our Vespers outreach happens on the second Sunday of every month. You are invited to join the Deaconesses and musicians at Woodstock Terrace at 3:00. We'll bring a short worship service to the residents there, then we'll bring the same worship and warmth to The Homestead and then Mertens House. This monthly outreach visit is immensely important to some of the residents, and it's a blessing to all of us who go. Please consider adding this to your Lord's Day next Sunday.

Guests: Please sign a guest card in the pew and allow us to welcome you. They can be placed in the offering plate as it comes by.