ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 23, 2025

UPCOMING

- Central VT Pregnancy Center's Baby Bottle drive is active now. Feel free to take a bottle and return it with your donation by Feb 23rd. Thanks!
- March 2: the Elders are thankful to welcome Zack Parton as he joins our church by baptism and profession of faith.
- Apr 11th-12th, 2025: Presbytery Ladies' Retreat at Swanzey, NH. The deadline for the retreat registration is in March but last year the retreat filled early. Register soon! See Olivia or Dawna if you have questions.
- English for Kids applications now open for our annual missions trip to St Georges Quebec. See the church home page for links to more info and applications. This years' dates are June 28th-July 5th. The deadline for E4K Applications is March 3rd.
- Nov 7th & 8th: Men's conference at COPC. Pastor Allen Tomlinson will be speak on the subject of prayer. Mark your calendar for this event; more details coming.

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LORD'S DAY EVENING WORSHIP

February 23, 2025



GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE

Prelude

A time to be quiet and prepare for holy worship. When the music begins, please take your seats.

Welcome, Salutation and Call to Worship

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

*Opening Hymn

Crown Him With Many Crowns # 295 (Trinity Hymnal, all verses)

1 Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne; hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own: awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

2 Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side, rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified: no angel in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

3 Crown him the Lord of peace; whose pow'r a scepter sways from pole to pole, that wars may cease, absorbed in prayer and praise: his reign shall know no end; and round his pierced feet fair flow'rs of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

4 Crown him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time; Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime: all hail, Redeemer, hail! for thou hast died for me: thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.**

*Invocation

Reading of God's Law

Genesis 49:8-21 (p 50 pew Bible)

Hymn

How Firm a Foundation # 94 Trinity Hymnal (verses 1-3)

1 How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent Word! What more can he say than to you he has said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

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2 "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed; for I am your God, and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

3 "When through the deep waters I call you to go, the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow; for I will be with you, your troubles to bless, and sanctify to you your deepest distress.**

Psalm of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Congregational Prayer

GOD SPEAKS HIS WORD TO HIS PEOPLE

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Psalm 3 (p 528 pew Bible)

John 17:15-21(p 1074 pew Bible)

Sermon Our Lion of Judah (Part II)

Prayer of Application

* Closing Hymn

Day By Day # 676 Trinity Hymnal (all verses)

1 Day by day and with each passing moment, strength I find to meet my trials here; trusting in my Father's wise bestowment, I've no cause for worry or for fear. He whose heart is kind beyond all measure gives unto each day what he deems best—lovingly, its part of pain and pleasure, mingling toil with peace and rest.

2 Every day, the Lord himself is near me with a special mercy for each hour; all my cares he fain would bear, and cheer me, he whose name is Counselor and Pow'r. The protection of his child and treasure is a charge that on himself he laid: "As your days, your strength shall be in measure," this the pledge to me he made.

3 Help me then in every tribulation so to trust your promises, O Lord, that I lose not faith's sweet consolation offered me within your holy Word. Help me, Lord, when toil and trouble meeting, e'er to take, as from a father's hand, one by one, the days, the moments fleeting, till I reach the promised land. **

* Benediction

*Please stand if able

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Communicant member Timothy Raymond Commeret fell asleep in the Lord on 12/31/24. We express our love and sympathy to Lelia at this time. Tim was a founding member of this church, and the son of our founding pastor. We give great thanks to our gracious Savior, that despite Tim's long struggle with multiple health issues, he held onto his trust in Christ as his Lord and Savior to the end. We fondly remember how Tim loved to sing the praises of his God and King. Though we grieve his passing, we rejoice in the sure hope that Tim is now is healed in the fullness of the redemption purchased by Christ, whose praises he now sings with glorious and everlasting joy. The funeral services for Tim will be Saturday, June 7th at 10 am, at the church, followed by a graveside service for the family.

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