

Friends helping friends  
become  
*Fully devoted followers*  
of **Christ**

**Welcome to Our Worship Celebration Today!** Together in song and prayer, giving and ministry, proclamation and dedication we will lift high the name of Jesus.

**The Week of Prayer** begins today. Join us for this time of inspiration and spiritual renewal as we pray for God's blessing on the harvest evangelism meetings to be held in two weeks. Meeting times:

- ? Today-- 4:30 pm
- ? Sunday-- 6:00 pm
- ? Monday-Thursday-- 7:30 pm
- ? Friday-- 6:00 pm

**The Pathfinders** will meet tomorrow at 3:00. Wear dress uniforms. A Staff Meeting will follow.

**A Longaberger Basket Party** will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3:00 here in the church to raise funds for the Pathfinder Club. Please RSVP to Sherri Dovich at 978/470-3294.

**Next Sabbath** our speaker will be Cindy DeWild. Cindy serves as the Prayer Ministries Coordinator for the Southern New England Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

**Evangelism Meetings** with Kenneth Cox are only two weeks away. We need your full participation in the following ways:

- ? Pray for the success of these meetings.
- ? Accept staffing ministry invitations.
- ? Contribute to the dinner and refreshment times. Sign up sheets are on the bulletin board.
- ? Donate shoe boxes for the Children's Ministries. Contact Person: Ingrid Mergenthaler.
- ? Invite and bring your family and friends to these meetings.

**A Fall Fun Day** will be held on October 26 from noon till 3:00. A potluck picnic lunch and games will be enjoyed by all.

**Building Fund:** Turn your Home Depot and Olive Garden purchases into donations for the Church Building fund. For more information about the SCRIP program contact Ingrid Mergenthaler.



**Merrimack Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church**  
October 18, 2003

# Worship Celebration

Together in Prayer

## Gathering To Worship

Prelude Marianne Wiacek  
Worship Host Greetings Gustav Mergenthaler

## Praising His Name

Praise Songs Pauline Beaulieu, Karen McClendon,  
& Ingrid Mergenthaler  
*I Will Sing of the Mercies*  
*Jesus Saves*  
*Gentle Shepherd*  
*Lord, Lay Some Soul Upon My Heart*

Congregational Prayer Gustav Mergenthaler  
Child Dedication Service DiBernardo Family  
Gifts of Worship Bob McCall  
Church Budget  
Offertory Marianne Wiacek

## Proclaiming the Word

Children's Corner GBA Puppets  
Scripture Lesson Gloria Candelario  
*Colossians 4:2-6*  
Worship in Song Ladies Chorus  
Sabbath Message Dan Martella  
*Soul Winning Prayer*

## Dedicating Our Lives

Song of Dedication  
*Make Me a Blessing*  
Prayer of Dedication Dan Martella  
Worship Host Benediction Gustav Mergenthaler  
Postlude Marianne Wiacek

**Dress Up For Christmas:** We are building a wardrobe collection for our Christmas pageants and other events. Donations needed this year include wigs, beards, moustaches, angel costumes, wings, and other accessories. For more information contact Karen McClendon.

**The Boston Van Ministry Banquet** will be held November 2 at 12:00 noon in the Greater Boston Academy Gym. Tony Romeo will be the speaker at this event. To purchase tickets call 781/438-2838.

**A Holiday Tea** will be shared by Southern New England women on November 9 from 10:00 - 1:00 in the Leominster Church. Call Lisa Paden at 978/534-9852 to RSVP.

**From My Heart:** Love and giving go together. When you are in love with Jesus, you want to give Him everything. And as we give, the old selfish nature dies away and we become more and more like Jesus--the greatest lover of all.

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*Sunset Tonight 5:58*

*Next Friday 5:47*



## Here to Serve ...

Every Believer, Ministers	*****
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## I Will Sing Of the Mercies Of The Lord

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever,  
 I will sing, I will sing.  
 I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever,  
 I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.  
 With my mouth will I make known  
 Your faithfulness, Your faithfulness;  
 With my mouth will I make known  
 Your faithfulness to all generations.  
 I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever,  
 I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.

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## Jesus Saves

We have heard the joyful sound, Jesus saves! Jesus saves!  
 Spread the tidings all around: Jesus saves! Jesus saves!  
 Bear the news to ev'ry land, climb the steeps and cross the waves;  
 Onward! 'tis our Lord's command; Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

Waft it on the rolling tide, Jesus saves! Jesus saves!  
 Tell to sinners far and wide: Jesus saves! Jesus saves!  
 Sing ye islands of the sea; echo back, ye ocean caves;  
 Earth shall keep her jubilee; Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

Sing above the battle strife, Jesus saves! Jesus saves!  
 By His death and endless life, Jesus saves! Jesus saves!  
 Sing it softly through the gloom, when the heart for mercy craves;  
 Sing in triumph o'er the tomb, Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

Give the winds a mighty voice, Jesus saves! Jesus saves!  
 Let the nations now rejoice, Jesus saves! Jesus saves!  
 Shout salvation full and free, highest hills and deepest caves;  
 This our song of victory, Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

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## Gentle Shepherd

Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us;  
For we need You to help us find our way.  
Gentle Shepherd, come and feed us;  
For we need Your strength from day to day.  
There's no other we can turn to  
Who can help us face another day.  
Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us;  
For we need You to help us find our way.

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## Lord, Lay Some Soul Upon My Heart

Lord, lay some soul upon my heart and love that soul thro' me;  
And may I always do my part to win that soul for Thee

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## Make Me a Blessing

Out in the highways and byways of life, many are weary and sad.  
Carry the sunshine where darkness is rife, making the sorrowing glad.

### Chorus:

Make me a blessing, Make me a blessing, out of my life may Jesus shine;  
Make me a blessing, O Savior I pray, make me a blessing to someone today.

Tell the sweet story of Christ and His love; tell of His pow'r to forgive.  
Others will trust Him if only you prove true every moment you live.

Give as 'twas given to you in your need; love as the Master loved you.  
Be to the helpless a helper indeed; unto your mission be true.

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## Memo

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**Date:** October 18, 2003  
**To:** The Merrimack Church Family  
**From:** Pastor Dan Martella  
**Subject:** Church Landscaping

Our September 28 Church Workbee rallied a large number of members and friends to pull weeds and begin the next phase of our landscaping project. Monies already donated for this purpose were used to purchase shrubs and flowers to plant along the south side and entrance of the church.

The result of this work has been so inspiring that many have felt the urge to take advantage of seasonal discounts and fall planting opportunities to complete the project along the east side of the church. To date an additional \$310.00 has been raised towards that goal. Additional shrubs have been purchased and planted, leaving about \$100 needed to complete the project this year. All landscaping to date has been covered by member donations that have been designated for this project.

Unfortunately, the promotion of this landscaping project has created some confusion and even feelings of broken trust in light of our agreement to make the installation of a church sign our first priority in our property development. I apologize for the misunderstanding that has been created. Please be assured that we are moving forward in the sign selection and fund raising process. Your generous gifts have already brought in \$700 for this important project.

Thank you for making our church home a warm and welcoming center for worship, fellowship, and outreach.

