

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

**Welcome to the Merrimack Valley Church!** We are the beloved people of God; His chosen ones. Let us respond in love and gratitude today as we worship Him!

**Pam and Jimmy Rhodes** will perform a benefit concert for the Boston Van Ministry tonight at 7:00 in the Stoneham Memorial Church.

**The Salisbury Beach Social** will be held tomorrow.

Directions: Rte 495 north to exit 55 and the intersection with Rte 110. Follow Rte 110 East to Salisbury and the intersection with Rte 1-A North. Follow Rte 1-A north about 2 miles to the Park entrance on your right. Follow road to the very end.

Parking: \$7.00 per car

Time Tables: The Pavilion is ours from 10:00 till dark. Lunch will be at 1:00 pm.

Lunch: Potluck picnic. Bring enough food for your family. Corn on the cob, grills, and charcoal will be provided. Bring: Swim suits, chairs, sun block.

**The Church Board** will meet Tuesday evening at 7:00 to meet evangelist Rick Kuntz, finalize plans for the new church sign, and to explore the possibilities of a live Christmas nativity program.

**Greater Boston Academy/Edgewood Elementary School** begins classes on Monday morning. Please remember our school in your prayers.

**Next Sabbath** the Pastor's message *When Christians Differ* will be drawn from Romans 14:1-12.

**The Lord's Supper** will be celebrated on September 11.

**Giving Hearts: Weekly Financial Update for August**

<i>Offerings</i>	<i>Received</i>	<i>Monthly Budget</i>
Church Budget	\$2,002	\$3,033.00
Building/Organ Fund	\$1,438	\$3,725.00



**Merrimack Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church**  
August 28, 2004

# Worship Celebration

A Chosen People

## Gathering to Worship

Prelude

Sherri Dovich

Worship Host Greetings

Gustav Mergenthaler

## Praising His Name

Praise Songs

Ingrid Mergenthaler & Gilda Newell

*Stand in the Congregation*

*Your Everlasting Love*

*The Family of God*

*Let It Be Said of Us*

Congregational Prayer

Gustav Mergenthaler

Church Alive

Steven Dovich

Gifts of Worship

Gloria Candelario

Conference Advance

Offertory

Sherri Dovich

## Proclaiming the Word

Children's Corner

Warren Saxton

Scripture Lesson

Jennifer Voight

Matthew 1:1-6

Worship in Song

Men's Chorus

Sabbath Message

Pete Cristoph

*Lessons From the Begats*

## Dedicating Our Lives

Dedication Hymn

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*Anywhere With Jesus*

Prayer of Dedication

Pete Cristoph

Worship Host's Benediction

Gustav Mergenthaler

Postlude

Sherri Dovich

**The Women's Retreat** will be held at the Snowy Owl Lodge November 12-14. For the best price, sign up and pay the deposit by September 15. For more information, call Karen McClendon at 978-658-2893.

**The 2004 Camp Meeting Evangelism Offering** reached \$105,946.19. We thank the Lord for the generous response of His people.

**The Passion of Love**, the chapters from the Desire of Ages that describe the final events in the life of Christ, will soon go on sale in Walmart stores across the country. The sale of the books will coincide with the sale of Mel Gibson's DVD *The Passion of the Christ*. Members are encouraged to purchase copies to share with friends. Good sales may lead to the further placement of Ellen White books in Walmart stores.

*Sunset Tonight 8:22*

*Next Friday 7:12*



## Here to Serve ...

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Every Believer, Ministers .....	*****
Dan Martella, Pastor .....	978/851-4004
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Gary Patch, Head Deacon .....	978/663-4544
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## Stand In the Congregation

I will stand in the congregation and I will exalt You.  
I will stand in the congregation and I will exalt You.  
Let the children of Your salvation lift their praises too!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
Let the children of Your salvation lift their praises too!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

I will stand in the congregation and I will praise Your name.  
I will stand in the congregation and I will praise Your name.  
With Your people in every nation, I will shout this praise!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
With Your people in every nation, I will shout this praise!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

We will join as a congregation and we will exalt You.  
We will join as a congregation and we will exalt You.  
We will sing as all creation lifts the song anew!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
We will sing as all creation lifts the song anew!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

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## Your Everlasting Love

Your everlasting love is deeper, deeper, deeper than the sea.  
Your everlasting love is deeper, deeper, deeper than the sea.  
Deeper than the sea.  
O the wonder of Your everlasting love is deeper than the sea.

Your everlasting love is higher, higher, higher, than the sky,  
Your everlasting love is higher, higher, higher than the sky,  
Higher than the sky.  
O the wonder of Your everlasting love is higher than the sky.

Higher than the heavens above is the glory of Your wonderful love.  
I'm lost in the mystery of  
Your everlasting love, Your everlasting love.  
Your everlasting love, Your everlasting love.

Your everlasting love is reaching, reaching, reaching out to me.  
Your everlasting love is reaching, reaching, reaching out to me,  
Reaching out to me.  
Oh, the wonder of Your everlasting love is reaching out to me.

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## The Family of God

### *Chorus*

I'm so glad I'm a part of the fam'ly of God.  
I've been washed in the fountain, cleansed by His blood!  
Joint heirs with Jesus as we travel this sod,  
For I'm part of the fam'ly, the family of God.

You will notice we say "brother" and "sister" 'round here.  
It's because we're a family and these folks are so near.  
When one has a heartache, we all share the tears,  
And rejoice in each victory in this family so dear.

From the door of an orphanage to the house of the King,  
No longer an outcast, a new song I sing.  
From rags unto riches, from the weak to the strong.  
I'm not worthy to be here, but praise God, I belong.

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## Let It Be Said Of Us

Let it be said of us that the Lord was our passion,  
That with gladness we bore ev'ry cross we were given.  
That we fought the good fight, that we finished the course  
Knowing within us the pow'r of the risen Lord.

### **Chorus:**

Let the cross be our glory and the Lord be our song,  
By mercy made holy, by the Spirit made strong.  
Let the cross be our glory and the Lord be our song  
'Til the likeness of Jesus be through us made known

Let it be said of us we were marked by forgiveness,  
We were known by our love and delighted in weakness  
We were ruled by His peace, heeding unity's call  
Joined as one body, that Christ would be seen in all.

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