

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

Welcome to Merrimack Valley Church! We are thankful for the gift of prayer by which we talk to God about our joys, sorrows, and needs; and tell Him that we love Him and want to love Him more!

Church Events This Coming Week

Sunday	3:30	pm	Pathfinders + Staff Meeting
Wednesday	7:00	pm	Prayer Meeting
Thursday	7:30	pm	Elders Meeting
Sabbath	10:00	am	Sabbath School
	11:30	am	Worship Service – Speaker: Phil Vasseur
	6:00	pm	Adult Christmas Party

Announcements

The *Dependant On God* Puppet Ministry of our church will meet after the worship service on December 3rd for practice. Thereafter, practices will be held every Thursday at 7 pm.

A Mitten/Glove/Hat Drive is taking place now through January for the families at the *House of Hope* located in Lowell, MA. They primarily serve homeless mothers and their children. Thank you for your generosity!

This Sunday, November 27, at 10 A.M. we need your help with decorating the church for the Christmas season and setting up the Nativity props.

The Christmas Party sign-up sheet is posted in the fellowship hall. Please put your name on the list if you are planning on attending.

Thought Spot: Nurture is the assignment of believers who have taken Jesus seriously when He urges, “Occupy until I come.” That’s why I say “thank you” to all of you – male and female – who invest in small group fellowships, who stand in Sabbath school classrooms, who greet and encourage in a hundred drafty church foyers, who reach out to the lonely and the hurting with both words and casseroles, who give that cup of cold water that you carried the extra mile. You are doing the work of Jesus just as surely as is the evangelist in his auditorium or the pastor in her pulpit or the conference president in his office or the surgeon in her operating room. And the fact that we can see the results of your ministry only over time does not lessen its crucial importance for the growth of the kingdom. – Bill Knott, *Adventist Review*.

Sunset Tonight 4:15

Next Friday 4:12

Merrimack Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church
November 26, 2005

Worship Celebration

Discovering New Prayer Dynamics

Gathering to Worship

Prelude	Marianne Wiacek
Worship Host's Greetings	Warren Saxton
Call to Worship	

Praising His Name

Praise Songs	Ellie & Sherri Dovich
<i>Let Us Pray</i>	Rita McCall & Ingrid Mergenthaler
<i>O How I Love Jesus</i>	
Congregational Prayer	Warren Saxton
Gifts of Worship	Warren Saxton
Atlantic Union College	
Offertory	Marianne Wiacek

Proclaiming the Word

Children's Corner	Sherri Dovich
Scripture Lesson	Nancy Saxton
<i>Matthew 6:5-8</i>	
Worship in Song	Marianne Wiacek
Sabbath Message	Phil Vasseur
<i>How to Pray Authentically</i>	

Dedicating Our Lives

Hymn of Dedication	#301
<i>Nearer, Still Nearer</i>	
Prayer of Dedication	Phil Vasseur
Worship Host's Benediction	Warren Saxton
Postlude	Marianne Wiacek

Thank you for reverencing God's house.
Hushed voices and muted phones enhance our worship experience.

Future Church Events

- Dec 3 Adult Christmas Party and Yankee Swap, 6 pm.
Christmas Wish Tree – Take Tags for Needed Gifts.
- Dec 10 *A Midnight Clear* Christmas Cantata, Church Service.
Women's Ministries *Women of the Bible* Study/Supper/Craft, 4:30 pm.
- Dec 16 Live Nativity, 6-9 pm. Cookies needed.
- Dec 17 Kids Christmas presentation – *Away in a Manager*.
Christmas Fellowship Dinner.
- Dec 18 Cookie Swap.
- Dec 31 New Year's Eve Agape Supper and Communion.

Giving Hearts: November Report

Offerings	Received	Monthly Budget
Church Budget	\$1,789.00	\$2,942.00
Building/Organ Fund	\$1,579.00	\$3,725.00
Special Offerings To-Date	Received	Needed
Tables and Chairs	\$0.00	\$7,000.00

Here to Serve

Audio/Visual:	Andreas Goelzer.....	603/821-1041
Community Services:.....	Karen McClendon.....	978/658-2893
Deacon:	Gary Patch.....	978/663-4544
Deaconess:.....	Juanita Ortiz	978/683-1319
Elder:	Steven Dovich	978/621-4925
Membership Clerk:	Joan Reiss	978/256-1671
Pastor:	Phil Vasseur	603/429-2410
Recording Clerk:.....	Sue Markin	978/957-6384
Sabbath School:	Ingrid Mergenthaler	603/883-3587
Treasurer:.....	Marge Patch	978/663-4544

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