

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

Welcome to Merrimack Valley Church Family! Let's enter into His gates with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise! Thank you for worshipping with us.

Church Events This Coming Week

Today	1:00 pm	Fellowship Dinner
Sunday	5:00 pm	Valentine's Party
Monday	7:00 pm	Church board meeting - RESCHEDULED
Sabbath	10:00 am	Sabbath School
	11:30 am	Worship Service – Steven Dovich
	1:00 pm	Adventurer Club lunch
	2:30 pm	Adventurer Club meeting – Dress uniform
	5:00 pm	Pathfinder Club meeting
	7:30 pm	Pathfinder Staff meeting

Announcements

February 14th fellowship dinner will be hosted by Beginners, Kindergarten, Primary, Junior, and Youth Sabbath School divisions today. The menu will be haystacks (a stack of tortilla chips, chili/beans, cheese, salad stuff, sour cream and salsa), and an ice cream *Sabbath* bar. Visitors are welcome.

Annual Valentine's Dinner-- is here at the church tomorrow, February 15 at 5 pm for those that signed up in advance. Any questions, contact Cindy Harris, Alice Jacobson or Karen McClendon.

Church Board Meeting has been RESCHEDULED to 7 pm Monday, February 16, 2009. Board Members, if you are not able to attend please contact Pastor Phil Vasseur by Monday evening.

Friendship Sabbath—Geared for Guests - Sabbath, February 28th is Friendship Sabbath. The worship service will welcome our friends and family that don't attend church regularly. Friendship Sabbath, is a great opportunity for you to deepen your connection with them and their connection with Christ! Let us know who you are inviting and we will send them an invitation also. There are forms in the foyer.

Sunset Tonight 5:13

Next Friday 5:20

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Worship Celebration

Worship Essentials

Gathering to Worship

Prelude	Marianne Wiacek
Worship Host's Greeting	Benjamin Osei-Mensah
Call to Worship	

Praising His Name

Praise Songs	Shirley Antoine & Elizabeth de Jesus
<i>Holy Ground</i>	
<i>Blessed be the Lord God Almighty</i>	
<i>All Creatures of Our God and King</i>	
Congregational Prayer	Shirley Antoine
Gifts of Worship	Sue Markin
<i>World Budget</i>	
Offertory	Marianne Wiacek

Proclaiming the Word

Children's Corner	Gilda Newell
Scripture Lesson	David Morris
<i>Isaiah 6:1-8</i>	
Worship in Song	Jovanie Whyte
Sabbath Message	Phil Vasseur
<i>Worship Essentials</i>	

Dedicating Our Lives

Hymn of Dedication	(see insert)
<i>I Worship You Almighty God</i>	
Prayer of Dedication	Phil Vasseur
Worship Host's Benediction	Benjamin Osei-Mensah
Postlude	Marianne Wiacek

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

Future Church Events

Feb 15	Valentine's Party
Feb 28	Prayer Breakfast – Gary Swinyar
Feb 28	Friendship Sabbath
Mar 14	International Sabbath
Apr 5	Progressive Dinner Party
Apr 16-18	<i>Real Questions</i> seminar with Pastor Phil
May 16	Area Youth Sabbath
June 6	Women's Ministry Day
July 27-31	Vacation Bible School – <i>Crocodile Dock</i>

Please visit our web site for additional calendar information:
<http://www.mvsda.org/Calendar/>

Giving Hearts: January Report

Offerings	Received	Monthly budget
Church Budget	\$3,868.00	\$3,792.00
Building Fund	\$4,087.00	\$3,250.00
Special Offerings To-Date	Received	Needed
Sound System	\$1,041.00	\$6,025.00

Bulletin information should be sent to Vivian Irrgang (e-mail: bulletin@mvsda.org; phone: 978/683-1319. Items submitted each week by 7p.m. Tuesday evening will be considered for inclusion in the bulletin.

Here to Serve

Audio/Visual:	Andreas Goelzer.....	603/821-1041
Community Services	Karen McClendon.....	978/658-2893
Deacon:	Gary Patch.....	978/663-4544
Deaconess:.....	Jean McKillop	603/382-4673
Elder:	Dale Jacobson	603/898-4075
Membership Clerk:	Joan Reiss	978/256-1671
Pastor:	Phil Vasseur	603/494-9242
Recording Clerk:.....	Sue Markin	978/957-6384
Sabbath School:	Alice Jacobson	603/898-4075
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Christian Home and Marriage Week is this coming week, February 14-21 in the North American Division of Seventh-day Adventists. Take this time to enjoy some special time together as a family. Our work for Christ is to begin with the family, in the home.

International Sabbath - March 14, is a celebration of our cultural diversity here at Merrimack Valley Church. All are encouraged to wear clothing which exhibits their cultural heritage or country of origin. After the worship service our Fellowship Dinner will feature foods from around the world. We will need Entrées, vegetables, salads, bread, drink and dessert. Bring enough for your family plus a little extra for visitors. Please plan to share your heritage as we fellowship.

Real Questions Seminar, April 16-18, 2009. Presented by Pastor Phil, the topics will include:

- Thursday 7 pm: *Is Jesus the Only Way?*
- Friday 7 pm: *Why Trust the Bible?*
- Sabbath 11:30 am: *How Can I Know God's Will?*
- Sabbath 7 pm: *Why is There Evil?*

The Prayer Warrior Team: Prayer requests may be sent to prayer@mvsda.org. The Prayer Team will add it to their list and present your petitions to God on a regular basis.

Prayer Request:

- Jim Reiss- prayer for healing
- David Morris- heart problems
- Cindy Harris' Mom – recovering from surgery
- Nydia Ortega – (Juanita Ortiz's co-worker)- breast cancer
- Idenir Bonfim – recovering from knee replacement surgery

Thought Spot: Showing up at church is not worship in and of itself. Worship goes to a deeper place—it is presence, God's presence. Worship is experiencing God and that begins with His presence. Now that's something to think about. *Pastor Phil*

Southern New England Conference Events

Feb 20-22	Marriage Retreat – Camp Winnekeag
Feb 28	Youth Leader Day Training
Mar 20-22	<i>Share Him</i> boot camp
Apr 3-4	Youth Leader Retreat
Apr 11	Day of Prayer – Worcester
Apr 18	Education Day
Apr 24-25	SNEC Women's Retreat
May 2	Pathfinder Day – Worcester, MA
Jun 5-7	Adventurer's Spring Escape
Jun 19-27	SNEC English Camp Meeting
Aug 11-15	Courage to Stand NAD Pathfinder Camporee Oshkosh, WI