



The \_\_\_\_\_  
**First Congregational Church**  
of Woodstock \_\_\_\_\_

*Declaring, "Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, today,  
and forever." Hebrews 13:8*

*June 20th, 2021*

# *The Order of Morning Worship*

*For assistance as we “gather” remotely and in-person to worship together.*

June 20th, 2021

Nine-thirty

Welcome

Elder Peter Vanderhoof

Prelude & Silent Prayer

❖ Call to Worship

Psalm 19

Pastor: The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim  
the work of His hands.

**Congregation: Day after day they pour forth speech; night after  
night they acknowledge His glory.**

Pastor: There is no land or nation where their voice is not heard.

**Congregation: Their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to  
the ends of the world.**

❖ Hymn of Exultation

Number 598

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

## Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

*He will be our guide even to the end. Ps. 48:14*

1. Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this  
 2. O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing  
 3. When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y; hold me with thy  
 stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me all my  
 fears sub - side; Death of death, and hell's De - struc - tion, land me safe on

pow'r - ful hand; Bread of heav - en, Bread of heav - en,  
 jour - ney through; strong De - liv - 'rer, strong De - liv - 'rer,  
 Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es

feed me till I want no more, feed me till I want no more.  
 be thou still my strength and shield, be thou still my strength and shield.  
 I will ev - er give to thee, I will ev - er give to thee.

## Scriptural Call to Repentance

Habakkuk 2: 14, 18 – 20

For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea... “Of what value is an idol, since a man has carved it? Or an image that teaches lies? For he who makes it trusts in his own creation; he makes idols that cannot speak. Woe to him who says to wood, ‘Come to life!’ Or to lifeless stone, ‘Wake up!’ Can it give guidance? It is covered with gold and silver; there is no breath in it. But the LORD is in his holy temple; let all the earth be silent before him.”

## Collective Confession

Psalm 25

Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old. Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD! For your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my guilt, for it is great. Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted. The troubles of my heart are enlarged; bring me out of my distresses. Consider my affliction and my trouble, and forgive all my sins.

## Silent Reflection and Confession

### Proclamation of Forgiveness

Romans 8: 1

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

### Scripture Reading

Joshua 1: 7 – 9

<sup>7</sup> Only be strong and very courageous; be careful to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, so that you may have success wherever you go. <sup>8</sup> This book of the law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it; for then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have success. <sup>9</sup> Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous! Do not tremble or be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.”

Pastor: The grass withers, the flower fades,

**Congregation: but the Word of our God will stand forever.**

### Pastoral Prayer

*What Wonderful Love Is This*

*How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! 1 John 3:1*

Chords: F Dm Am C Em Dm C Dm Dm7 C 7

1. What won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul, what  
 2. To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to  
 3. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and

Chords: C Bm Am G Am G C Dm C F C F C

won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won - drous love is  
 God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to God and to the  
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm

Chords: Dm C Am Bm7 C Dm Am Em Dm C

this that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread - ful curse for my  
 Lamb, who is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will  
 free, I'll sing and joy - ful be, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing

Chords: Dm Dm7 C F C Bm Am G Am G C Dm 7

soul, for my soul, to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul!  
 sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing!  
 on, I'll sing on, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on!

*“A Call to Salvation, A Call to Discipleship”*

Luke 14: 25 – 33

<sup>25</sup> Now large crowds were going along with Him; and He turned and said to them, <sup>26</sup> “If anyone comes to Me, and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be My disciple. <sup>27</sup> Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple. <sup>28</sup> For which one of you, when he wants to build a tower, does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if he has enough to complete it? <sup>29</sup> Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who observe it begin to ridicule him, <sup>30</sup> saying, ‘This man began to build and was not able to finish.’ <sup>31</sup> Or what king, when he sets out to meet another king in battle, will not first sit down and consider whether he is strong enough with ten thousand *men* to encounter the one coming against him with twenty thousand? <sup>32</sup> Or else, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. <sup>33</sup> So then, none of you can be My disciple who does not give up all his own possessions.

❖ Hymn of Response

Number 571

*Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus*

# Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

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*Endure hardship with us like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. 2 Tim. 2:3*

1. Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, ye sol - diers of the cross;  
 2. Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, the trum - pet call o - bey;  
 3. Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, stand in his strength a - lone;  
 4. Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, the strife will not be long;

lift high his roy - al ban - ner, it must not suf - fer loss:  
 forth to the might - y con - flict in this his glo - rious day:  
 the arm of flesh will fail you, ye dare not trust your own:  
 this day the noise of bat - tle, the next the vic - tor's song:

from vic - t'ry un - to vic - t'ry his ar - my he shall lead,  
 ye that are men now serve him a - gainst un - num - bered foes;  
 put on the gos - pel ar - mor, each piece put on with pray'r;  
 to him that o - ver - com - eth a crown of life shall be;

till ev - 'ry foe is van - quished, and Christ is Lord in - deed.  
 let cour - age rise with dan - ger, and strength to strength op - pose.  
 where du - ty calls, or dan - ger, be nev - er want - ing there.  
 he with the King of glo - ry shall reign e - ter - nal - ly.

Benediction

2 Corinthians 13: 14

Pastor: The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

The Congregation may be seated after the Benediction for silent prayer.

Postlude

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*~~ Organist: Jonathan Denham ~~*  
*~~ Please ensure cell phones are off ~~*

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**NO Young Adult Fellowship Tonight.**

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### **Air Conditioning**

Summer is upon us and the warm sunshine can heat the Meeting Room to sometimes unbearable temperatures. We are privileged to have an air-conditioned Meeting Room to help combat those hot temperatures and stale air. Please remember to bring a sweater in case the Meeting Room is on the chilly side. Also, to avoid being too chilly, please sit away from the Air Conditioning vents. Please don't hesitate to ask an usher to help you find a spot that won't be drafty.

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## Guest Speaker: Ernest Shipman

I was born in 1959 & grew up in Atlanta, GA. I was raised in a Christian home and came to faith at age 14. I moved to NH in 1985 to get married. I have been married to Wendy since 1986. We have two adult children: Sam, who lives in Chattanooga (who incidentally is friends with Molly Holleran, whose parents go to the church) and Emma, who is married & lives near us.

I have 2 connections to the church! In the mid 1990's, Wendy's sister took a job at Dartmouth Hospital and she attended the church. We used to visit her often and Sunday mornings were always a treat. We got to be friends of the Koops as well. I am an ordained ruling elder in the Presbyterian Church of America, and I am friends with Pastor Warren as he and I are both members of the same Presbytery.

In addition to being a ruling elder (and a member of Exeter Presbyterian church), I have been called to preach and have been licensed by the Presbytery. I do pulpit supply and preach as I am needed. My passion is preaching the Gospel and doing one on one discipleship.

When not in ministry, Wendy & I have a mini farm (really a former blueberry farm) in New Durham, NH. I am semi-retired, having been in business since 1991 and recently sold both of my businesses. I used to own a commercial sign shop (my wife is very artistic), and I used to also own a small retail firearms store.

God has been very faithful to us!

My life verse is:

*Only fear the Lord and serve him faithfully with all your heart. For consider what great things he has done for you. 1st Samuel 12:24*

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## Summer Services

BEGINNING Today, Sunday, June 20, we will revert to our Summer schedule. NO Sunday School. The Morning Worship Service will begin at 9:30 am.

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## Administrative Assistant Position

We are looking for an Administrative Assistant for FCCW. Terri has done a fantastic job and is now going to be transitioning into a teaching position at Woodstock Christian Child Care Center. This is answered prayer because we have had a desperate need for teachers. None-the-less it leaves us in need for someone with excellent organizational skills to step into the vacancy that will begin in July. Please contact Steve Selbo at 802-299-6446 or e-mail him at [steve.selbo@outlook.com](mailto:steve.selbo@outlook.com) for more details or to submit an application. Thank you.

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## Teachers Needed

WCCC is in need of **Teachers, Assistants, and Substitutes**. We have one teacher retiring, one who will be delivering a new son soon, and we are looking for a licensed teacher to work at least 10 hours a week in the Fall Session.

This vital ministry in our community allows our light to shine, as we serve our neighbors and friends. Please pray for staff to be found because WCCC is almost completely full with children at this time, and projections are the same throughout Summer and Fall sessions!

Please contact Ruth Brisson at [brissonwccc@comcast.net](mailto:brissonwccc@comcast.net) or 410-925-7959, if you are interested in serving in any of these roles.

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## Nursery Staff Position

We are looking for someone to serve as a Nursery Staff Person. Please join us in praying for the Lord to raise up someone who loves Jesus and children and who would be the anchor for caring for the little ones assisted by volunteers from the congregation. For more information, please contact Steve Selbo at 802-299-6446 or e-mail him at [steve.selbo@outlook.com](mailto:steve.selbo@outlook.com) for more details or to submit an application. Thank you.

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