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NOWHERE TO TURN TO?

We have seen it on the news for weeks now, thousands upon thousands of people suffering in a horrific war in Ukraine. We have seen the devastation caused by missiles, the thousands of people having to leave their homes behind, and the heartbreak of so many people who have lost loved ones. Many are afraid and helpless. It makes me ask the question, "Where are they looking for comfort, strength, and peace?" When going through a difficult time, we all turn to something to get us through. For some, family and friends are the source of comfort. For others, their home is a place to go to for security and peace. Some people turn to material things just to take their mind off their problems. However, for many in the Ukraine, they do not have any friends or family left, their homes were destroyed, and most of their possessions are gone. What now? It is my prayer that they find the one true source of comfort, strength, and peace that will never fail... God.

There is a Father in Heaven who will hold you until you feel better, help you until you can live with the hurt, and who will not go to sleep when you are afraid of waking up and seeing the dark. Romans 8:37-39 says, "In all things we have full victory through God who showed his love for us... neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord." We are God's idea. He chose to create us. We were made in His likeness. (Gen. 1:27) He wants us to succeed and find hope through Him. His blessings are what give us the hope we need to carry on in the worst of times. To accept Him as your Savior is to accept His gift of salvation offered on the cross. It is the blood of God's Son that makes you one of His Children. As His child, He will provide for your needs (MT. 6:25-34). As His child, He will protect you from harm (Ps. 139:5). God has proven Himself to be a faithful Father. It is up to us to be His trusting children.

What do you do when you have lost everything? Where do you turn? Turn to God. God will give you courage when you are afraid. God says, "Don't be afraid because I have saved you." (Is. 43:1) He says, "Don't worry, because I am with you." (Is. 41:10) God will bring you contentment when you are not satisfied. In Philippians 4, Paul said that through God, he learned to be content "at any time in everything that happens." God will make you strong when you feel like you cannot go on. Isaiah 40: 29, 31 says, "He gives strength to those who are tired and more power to those who are weak." There are people in Ukraine and all over the world who are unable to help themselves. There is nothing in this world we can count on to help us all the time, every time. Only God can do that. God was there for us during our greatest time of need and helped us in a way no one else could. "When we were unable to help ourselves, at the moment of our need, Christ died for us, although we were living against God... God shows his great love for us in this way: Christ died for us while we were still sinners." (Romans 5:6, 8) This world can hurt us, but it can never destroy us, as long we have God as our Father.

~ Ron Saracino

NEWS & NOTES

*Anyone interested in helping with **World Bible School**-contact Ron

*Asking for donations of nonperishable goods for in-house pantry.

Tuesday morning Ladies Bible Class -April 5 @ 9:30 am

Friday eve, Ladies Bible Study-April 8th @ 7pm at the building

***Kent Men's Retreat- June 24-25-see Patrick Keller for details**

***150th planning meeting -April 3rd** after worship service

Sunday Bible Class will now be available online. Go to the church website

***Announcements** to be made at the end of services should be given to Ron before Sunday.

***Opportunities** to serve: any men willing to participate in worship service in other capacities for the church, please contact Bruce Post. Anyone interested in leading and/or helping with the building or church house maintenance please contact Bruce Pancoast.

Prayer request for bulletin may be sent to Margaret @ mrizzio07@gmail.com

*Please let us know if you are not receiving robocalls so we can update our list.

Tithing can be done either through the mail or via tithe app

Spooner House is in need! Donations may be dropped off at the church building or contact Ron. We are also collecting travel size personal care items for abused women that come to the shelter.

To Our visitors: We welcome you to the worship service of the church of Christ that meets in Trumbull. Please fill out a visitor's card and place it in the collection plate when it is passed so that we may have a record of your attendance. If you have any questions concerning why we worship the way we do or what we believe, please feel free to ask. We would be happy to set aside time to study the Bible with you. Please let us know if we can be of serv

Prayer Requests

*Pray for Nadine's upcoming surgery. *Pray for David Fitzinger, his cancer has returned. *Pray for Pat Yagowski who is having additional health challenges in addition to her intense pain. *Pray for George & Elaine Caruthers , Elaine recently suffered a stroke. *Pray for Judith Gomez who is struggling with intense pain. *Pray for Skip French,a close friend of Jay Repecko. *Pray for Jody Pancoast who is due with her second child at the end of May. *Pray for Tracy Walkup and family, her Dad (Ray) passed away on Friday. *Pray for Joe Nuzzo's coworker Al Garcia who has had some challenges related to a kidney transplant.He and his wife are expecting their first child. Also for his friend Jason Kasprzyk who is dealing with pain. *Pray for Flo who is not feeling well and has been undergoing testing to find a cause. *Pray for all those citizens of the Ukraine and all those trying to help them. *Pray for Carolyn Metz recovering from a mini stoke. *Pray for Marie Preteska at the passing of her husband Eddie this week, also for Bob & JoAnne DiScala and family. *Pray for Sylvia Sandavol (Elmer's wife, Spanish ministry) who has a rare autoimmune disease that can cause paralysis. *Pray for John Partington & family. Their 9 y.o grandson, Seth has been diagnosed with a degenerative, incurable disease and their son (Seth's father) suffers from multiple health problems *Pray for Nadine's cousins, the Philips,who are struggling in age with their health. *Pray for Jen Ruiz who is struggling with severe vertigo. *Pray for Mel Skigen's declining health, also his sister, Arlene passed away recently. *Pray for Jay and Flo's daughter, Lauren. *Pray for Romeo Tomlinson who is having severe memory problems and stage 3 kidney disease. Also Nadine's cousin Veronica Ellis who has been having mini strokes.	*Pray for those dealing with cancer and chemo treatments- Judith Gomez, Donna Post, David Fritzinger, Cohen (Ron's friend) *Pray for all of our youth, that they see God's glory and find Jesus on their journey.. *Pray for our country & our leaders in government. *Pray for families, relatives, friends and people we are reaching out to, that they may turn to the Lord. *Special prayers for our church leaders. *Prayers for all families caring for their elderly or sick loved ones: Greg Payne caring for his mother ,Allie Saracino-Cherie, ,Dean Perkins-Mildred Perkins, Paula & Bruce-Fran. *Pray for: Pat Yagowski, Fran Elizus, Mildred Perkins,, Daniel Ruiz *Pray for those suffering from long term illnesses: Nuris Gomez,Irene Aschen, Mel, Gladys Howley,, Noah Darrow, Orion,, Tabitha, Karen O, Angela's mom Connie Scalzo, Anthony Katz., Jasmyn Malagutti,, Zak Pappas Fernandes. , Jim Walkup's brother (Sam), Taylor Rusin and Rocco's friends (Karolyn Kirchgessler & Joanne Karow) Cyrus (Zach's friend) dad who has brain cancer, Lance Flood,Zach Saracino, Joshua Ruiz, Brody Streety & all children with diabetes. ~Tidal River Christian Camp- info on back table. See Pat Keller for details. ~Next year our congregation will be celebrating it's 150th anniversary. Please let us know if you would be interested in helping to plan this event. Collection for Ukraine- Tori's school will be collecting supplies , items listed on the back door- due April 1. "When I was in prison you came to visit me" (Matthew 25;36) Starting March 13th we will be collecting toiletries for the Bridgeport Juvenile Detention Center.(ie:toothpaste, shampoo, body wash, they particularly like AXE body wash.) These items are put in a care package to give them when they are released from the center.
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Please bring nonperishable food items for the **Spooner House** - a list of all items needed is on back table: Jelly/Jam/Peanut Butter, Cereal/Oatmeal, Canned Meats: Chicken, Tuna, Corned Beef Hash, Canned Ravioli/Tomatoes, Pasta Sauce, Canned Fruit/Applesauce, Crackers/Snacks, Pancake Mix/Syrup, Ramen, Hamburger/Tuna Helper, Baked beans/Pork and Beans, Canned/Dried Beans (i.e. Black, Chick Pea, Cannellini, Kidney, Pinto), Rice/Rice-A-Roni, Soup/Stew/Chili, Instant/Canned Potatoes/Yams. Bring these food items to the building to be delivered to the Spooner House. Please make sure that items do not have expired dates. Thank you

Wednesday Bible Classes: 7:00 p.m canceled til further notice, participate online via Zoom
Sunday Bible Class 10 am @ church building

Worship Service @ 11 am
Elders: Bruce Pancoast 203-452- 0426
Ron Saracino 203-913-8345
Minister: Ron Saracino 203-913-8345
Spanish Ministry: Elmer Sandavol 914-914-486-9146
Deacons: Ray Fernandes 203-459- 0284
Luis Ruiz 203-610-2396

Week of March 27 ,2022
Online services
Go to Trumbull Church Of Christ website:
trumbullchurchofchrist.org
Song Leader:Bruce Pancoast
Lord's Table: Derin Wilson
Closing Prayer: Jay Repecko

