

## A **Publication** of the Trumbull Church of Christ, 2 Drew Circle, Trumbull, CT. 06611 203-261-5201 Volume CLI 151 Issue 34, July 3,2022

## **Endure and Press On**

As we read the New Testament letters written by Paul, we are amazed at his Passion for sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We are amazed at how much he was willing to endure and overcome to get the Good News of Salvation out to the known world. We admire his dedication to writing God's Word while traveling in dangerous conditions and while in prison. And we are inspired when we read his words in 2 Timothy 4:6-8, "For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time has come for my departure. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day-and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing."

What kept him going? We know he sometimes had his storms and trials (2 Cor. 1:8-10; 11:22-29; Phil. 2:28). How could he fight on with such firm resolve? How could he attack life with "a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-discipline?" (2 Tim. 1:7) For Paul, everything began and ended with his focus on Jesus (1:8-10), the one who brought to life the plan God formed "before the creation of the world." Jesus died on a cross for the sins of the world, was buried, and then conquered death by being raised to life on the third day. All people can have salvation and a new start because, in Jesus, God fulfilled his purpose and poured out his grace.

When we read Paul's summary of events in 2 Timothy 1:8-10, we are not surprised to hear his confidence in verses 11-12 where he says, "Of this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher. That is why I am suffering as I am. Yet I am not ashamed, because I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him for that day." Paul knew Jesus. He trusted Jesus. He would refuse to be ashamed no matter what anyone thought about him because of his faith in Jesus. He would even suffer, if necessary, for Jesus. He would not be shaken by uncertainties or things he did not know. When would the suffering end? When would the Day he awaited come? He didn't need to know those details because he knew Jesus, who he is, and what he has done.

Knowing Jesus, Paul knew he had been saved and called to a holy calling. So, he kept serving as he had been called, as an evangelist, apostle, and teacher. He remained true to teaching he had received and taught. He did not give up on what he believed to be true. He endured! He pressed on! Let us likewise endure and press on!

~Ron Saracino

## **NEWS & NOTES**

Sister to Sister virtual Ladies inspirational hour hosted by Arlington Road Church of Christ (Sister Simone Beans Congregation) July 30th from 11 am -12:30 pm. Event theme **The Battle is not Mine: Let God Do** His Job . More info to follow

**Spooner House** has specific needs for towels, washcloths, pillow cases, toothbrushes and toothpaste.

**Donations: \$2309** 

Guide One Insurance:\$13,734

Money in: \$16.043

Deposit AC replacement: \$9,381 Other Spending: \$\$4,708 Money out: \$14,089

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

**Tithing** can be done either through the mail or via the tithely app

**Spooner House** is in need! Donations may be dropped off at the church building or contact Ron. Weare 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 service

## **Prayer Requests**

- \*Pray for Chelsey Eddie who is in pain from dislocating her
- \*Pray for Lauryn Stephens who will be having surgery July 19th to remove her tonsils and adenoids.
- \*Prayers for Nadine, Brian and Kimberly Keller who are traveling to Florida.
- \*Prayers for **Judith Gomez**, additional lumps behind her ear,
- \*Pray for Zach's friend, Jen for her grandmother in China who only has weeks to live.
- \*Pray for Carlos & Kala Perez, they found lumps in her breast (nephew and wife of Gomez family & Jen Ruiz)
- \*Prayers for Mel's health.
- \*Pray for Bruce Post and his family and all those grieving a lost loved one.
- \*Pray for Fran for her comfort and peace while she waits on
- \*Pray for Meegan Aschen's job search,
- \*Pray for Pamela Pimpton's friend Karen Harvey who has breast cancer.
- \*Pray for **Flo**'s health (recently diagnosed with long haul covid) and Jay's job search.
- \*Pray for **Jen Ruiz** who is struggling with severe vertigo.

We Rejoice- Justin Coon was baptized last Sunday! Prayers as he begins his walk with God.

**Registration** is now open for current and past members to join us on Nov. 4th,5th & 6th to celebrate our 150th anniversary. See page 3

- \*Pray for those dealing with cancer and chemo treatments- **Judith** Gomez, David Fritzinger, Cohen (Ron's friend), Sarah (Angela's niece), Teri (Ray's S-I-L)
- \*Pray for our country & our leaders in government, first responders and healthcare personnel.
- \*Pray for all the Ukrainian citizens and those trying to help
- \*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:Jen Ruiz,
- Sylvia Sandoval, 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 . 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.

**July 10th** right after service- planning session

- \*Anyone interested in helping with **World Bible School** contact
- \*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.

If anyone would be interested in being a liaison to one of the organizations that we have assisted over the past six months, please let Ron know: Yale, Boys detention center, Umbrella center for domestic violence, etc.

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 June 26, 2022 Online Bible study and service; Go Trumbull Church of Christ website trumbullchurchofchrist.org **Song Leader:Derin Wilson** Lord's Table: Patrick Keller **Closing Prayer: Bruce Pancoast** 

> Week of 6/26-07/02 **Donations:**\$16,043 **Spending:**\$14,089

Registration is now open for current and past members to join us on November 4th, 5th and 6th.

Here is how to register:

Visit our church website – www.trumbullchurchofchrist.org

Click on the 150th anniversary link

Click on current and past members and complete the RSVP.

Recipes of favored potluck dishes from years past can also be shared for a recipe book that will be put together for the event. Photos can also be uploaded (up to 5 photos).

To upload photos:

1. Digitally

A. Email to 150th@trumbullchurchofchrist.org

(no more than 5 attachments in an email). You can send as many emails as you might like.

**B.** Direct upload

Goto: http://150ys.trumbullchurchofchrist.org

Note: (Do not use www.)

Password is: Trumbull!

Use the the ... at the upper right and create a new folder and rename it your first and last name.

Open the folder and either use the up arrow or drag and drop folders or individual pics. Every member needs to register individually, for us to get a complete headcount for those that are coming. It only takes a few minutes to register