



The TrumBulletin



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WHAT IS OUR MESSAGE?

If someone asked you, "What does your church believe?" Would you be able to answer them? We should all be prepared to answer that question. 1 Peter 3:15 says, "Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have." So, what is the message that we, as the body of Christ, would like to share with others? Our message is the Gospel that was first preached on Pentecost in Acts 2. That is the message that went out into the world back in the first century, and that is the message that God wants to go out now in the twenty-first century. It says in Acts 5:28 that the message of the Gospel filled Jerusalem because of the evangelistic practices of the first century Christians. Will we be guilty of doing the same in Trumbull or the towns we live in? The Gospel should become our purpose and our emphasis. Let's share the Gospel message!

More specifically, what is the Gospel message? It is the news that God came to this earth in the form of a man (Phil. 2:5-11). God in the flesh, Jesus Christ, chose to die on a cross and shed His blood so that our sins against God may be forgiven. Ephesians 1:7 says, "In Him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace." It is only through the death of Jesus that we can be found faultless before God (Jude 24) and justified from all sin (Rom. 5:9). What is really exciting and where the victory comes is what happened after Jesus was placed in the tomb. He didn't stay in the tomb long enough to decay (Acts 2:25-32), but came out of the grave bodily (John 20) and presented Himself alive for forty days (Acts 1:3). Jesus conquered the grave so that we can conquer it as well and have immortality. 1 Corinthians 5:53- 54 says, "For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the

mortal with immortality. When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: "Death has been swallowed up in victory." The resurrection of Jesus brings us reconciliation and salvation. This is the Gospel!

This is what the first century Christians preached and they changed the world by doing so. It was only when the people heard the Gospel message and responded in obedience to it that God added them to His church (Acts 2:14-47). It is this Gospel message that was preached in the first century that we must also preach today. We must do it deliberately, for what we emphasize is what becomes our message. The church of Christ without the Gospel of Christ is not a church at all. Let us return to Pentecost and to the first century to find ourselves and our message. 1 Peter 4:17

says, "For it is time for judgment to begin with the family of God; and if it begins with us, what will the outcome be for those who do not obey the gospel of God?"

Let the Gospel begin with us... let's share the Gospel Message!

~ Ron Saracino

NEWS & NOTES

Wed. Night Bible Study via zoom
-7pm

Tuesday Ladies Bible study- 04/04
-9:30am via zoom

Sat. April 22 @1130 am Baby shower for Jessica Lennon @ the church building Sign up sheets on the door.

Beyond a Reasonable Doubt - April 29th @ 630 pm at the church building

Barnabas Project if interested in joining contact Mary Lou (475) 529-5751

Vacation Bible School - July 22

Tidal River Christian Camp-50th

anniversary-flyers on the back table. If able to help out with camp contact Pat Keller

Spooner House is in dire need of nonperishable items.

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 Tom Byer, the minister of South Road Church of Christ who has throat cancer and is undergoing chemo and Radiation treatments. *Pray for Pat Keller and family, his brother died suddenly this Past week. *Pray for Christiana Froehlich who is due to have her 2nd baby In May and was recently diagnosed with preeclampsia. *Pray for Desrine Forbes son , Shane, who is in Jamaica and in great danger with his job. *Pray for Andy Palo, (friends of the Saracino's) who has complications from having liver cancer surgery. *Pray for Nadine's cousin Jascinth, her mom passed away. *Pray for Irene Aschen who is recovering from hip replacement surgery. *Pray for Pat Yagowski who is in St, Vincent Hospital being Treated for pneumonia and undergoing many tests, *Pray for John & Rose Hardington & family (Mick McCreanor's friends) ,their grandson Seth is not doing well. (He has a Degenerative disease), *Pray for Olivia Likely (Ashley Stephens sister) who is recovering from eye surgery. *Pray for the families affected by the Nashville shooting.	*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) *Prayers for all those who have lost loved ones this past year. *Pray for our country & our leaders in government ,first responders and health care workers. *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: Allie Saracino-Cherie, ,Bob and Joanne Discala-Virginia *Pray for those suffering from long term illnesses: Jeremy Sazone, Flo Repecko, Pat Yagowski. Meegan and Irene, Sylvia Sandoval, Nuris Gomez, Mildred, Karen O, Angela's mom Connie Scalzo, Anthony Katz., Jasmyn Malagutti, Daniel Ruiz., Zak Pappas Fernandes. , Jim Walkup's brother (Sam), Cyrus (Zach's friend) dad who has brain cancer, Lance Flood, Zach Saracino, Joshua Ruiz, Brody Streety & all children with diabetes. *Anyone interested in helping with World Bible School- contact Ron *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.	
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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

Sunday Bible Class 10 am @ church building

Wednesday Bible Classes: 7:00 p.m canceled til further notice, participate online via Zoom

Worship Service @ 11 am

Elders: Bruce Pancoast 203-452- 0426
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

Bible class 10am worship service 11am
Online bible class and worship service

Go to our website :
trumbullchurchofchrist.org
Week of 04/09//23

Song Leader: Derin Wilson
Lord's Table: Bruce Post
Closing Prayer: Andrew Langalis
Usher: Bruce Post
Week of 4/2-4/8/23
Donations: \$4436
Expenses: \$4968

