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The Beauty of Falling Leaves

Tony Bennet recorded a song called, "Autumn Leaves." It is a song that is most played this time of year, it seems. It makes sense because the first lines of the song are, *"The falling leaves, Drift by the window, The autumn leaves, Of red and gold."* As we look out our windows this morning, one cannot help but notice the vibrant colors of autumn have begun their gentle descent, blanketing the ground with a sea of color. There is an undeniable beauty in all of it, but it also carries a profound spiritual truth for our daily walk with Christ.

Falling leaves remind us that life on this earth is temporary. The prophet Isaiah used the imagery of autumn to remind us of our own fragile nature, writing, "We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away." (Isaiah 64:6) Seeing the bare branches can initially cause one to feel sad, representing a conclusion or a loss. Yet, in the perfect design of God's creation, the falling of a leaf is not a tragic end, but a necessary letting go. Trees shed their leaves to survive the harsh winter ahead, trusting that the sap and life force stored deep within their roots will sustain them until the warmth of spring arrives.

Are there heavy burdens, old habits, or anxieties from this past year that God is asking you to let go of in this season? Just as the trees freely release their leaves, we can cast our cares upon the Lord, knowing that He holds our future. Scripture reassures us that "for everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven." (Ecclesiastes 3:1) Transitions can be uncomfortable, but we can rest securely in our Creator, whose love for us never changes. As the apostle James reminds us, every good gift comes down from the "Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change." (James 1:17)

While the physical world around us fades, withers, and changes, we can anchor our souls in the one thing that stands absolute, our LORD. Isaiah 40:8 says, "The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever." This autumn, let every falling leaf be a visual reminder of God's unshakeable faithfulness. As the canopy clears, it opens up the forest floor to new sunlight, preparing the ground for future growth. Trust God through the shedding seasons of your life, because He is already preparing your heart for a beautiful new spring ahead.

~ Ron Saracino

NEWS & NOTES

Nov. 17- 9:30 am Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study via zoom.

Nov. 14-10am-Ladies Bible Study at church building.

Nov. 28 - Families with Young Children will be going to Glow Wild at Beardsley Zoo. All are welcome. See Derin or Kristen for details.

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Barnabas Project-Please contact Lisa Saracino if you would like to be included in this ministry (original list was lost),

Welcome visitors-please share a record of you visit by filling out the Welcome card or using the app on the laminated card, both located on the pew in front of you,

Prayer Requests

*Pray for Ray Fernandes and his family, his mother ,Eva, passed away on Tuesday.
*Pray for **Brother Devlal**, recovering from cataract surgery.*Pray for **Michelle Wilson**, she will be having extensive dental work done over the next few weeks.
*Pray for **Gus and Judith** who are in Puerto Rico visiting family.
*Pray for Kevin Jones' father , **Michael**, who had triple by-pass surgery.
Pray for **Lisa Saracino** and her family, her father passed away this past week.
*Pray for Cindy Holly,D-I-L's uncle **Fonzo, recently** diagnosed with lymphoma.
*Pray for the **Alp family**(neighbors of Debbie Christy) they had a family member pass away recently.
*Pray for **John Robertson's father** who is not doing well and for **John** as he travels to Florida to be with him.
*Pray for **Stacie Terrell** (friend of Mary Warren) who had bone marrow surgery this past week and is in a lot of pain.
*Pray for **Rosalyn Ross** who has an autoimmune illness and needs to be on oxygen all the time.
*Pray for **Greg Cerminara**, recently diagnosed with multiple myeloma, he has begun chemo treatments.

*Pray for those dealing with cancer and chemo treatments- **Judith Gomez,ay for Cohen** (Ron's friend)**, Tom Byer**
***Prayers for all those who have lost loved ones this past year.**
*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, Gina Porto
***Pray for those suffering from long term illnesses and physical challenges** :Leo Benevento, Deserine Forbes, Emille Jones, Mike & Paula Ross, Ted & Toni Bonadio, Kevin Early, Nadine Keller, Greg & Linda Cerminara, Pat & Henry Yaglowski. Meegan and Irene, Judith &Nuris Gomez, Karen O, Anthony Katz, Jasmyn Malagutti, Daniel Ruiz., Zak Pappas Fernandes, Jim Walkup's brother (Sam), Lance Flood, Jenna Strickland. Zach Saracino, Joshua Ruiz, Brody Streety & all children with diabetes.
***Opportunities** to serve: any men willing to participate in worship service in other capacities for the church, please contact Patrick Keller. Anyone interested in leading and/or helping the building or church house maintenance please contact Bob DiScala

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.

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Wednesday Night Bible Study
7:00 pm via zoom
Bible class Sun. 10 am, worship service 11am
Online bible class and worship service go to our website:
trumbullchurchofchrist.org
Week of Nov. 8, 2026
Song Leader:Patrick Keller
Lord's Table:Raymond Lewis
Closing Prayer/Announcements:Derin Wilson
Usher:Bob DiScala
Week of 11/1--11/7/26
Donations:$4993 Expenses:$1640