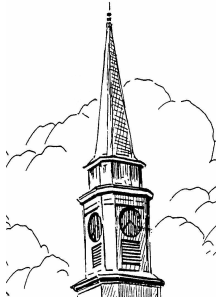


Message from the Pastor:



My brothers and sisters,

A happy new year to you!

It appears that for at least a portion of this new year that I will be serving as interim pastor of The First Congregational Church of Twinsburg, United Church of Christ. I celebrate this prospect, even as I acknowledge that our goal together now is to call a “settled” pastor who will, we hope, be able to serve us for some years to come.

I do want to point out to you something that is significant in all the turmoil of this past year and in all the pastoral turnovers of the last several years: the congregation has continued to minister in service to our Lord Jesus Christ! This is because, even as pastors come and go, the Great Pastor, the Great Shepherd of the Sheep, Jesus Christ, remains. (Hebrews 13:20) It is my calling as your interim pastor to remind you to look beyond the individual pastors who come and go through the years, to seek again the leadership of the Pastor who “is the same, yesterday and today and forever.” (Hebrews 13:8) I pray that I can do this. Let us together call upon the Pastor who alone can raise up for us good pastors!

God bless!

Pastor Jim

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Schedule

All services will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 14

Host: The Sanctuary of Praise Speaker: Jim Link

Monday, January 15

Host: Faith United Methodist Church Speaker: Dick Seawright

Tuesday, January 16

Host: Shepard Road Church Speaker: Ken Bieber

Wednesday, January 17

Host: Christ the King Speaker: Bishop Smith

Thursday, January 18

Host: First Congregational Church Speaker: Kevin Maxey

Friday, January 19

To be announced

Please plan to join us for these services.

A few years ago following a house fire in Twinsburg, the Benevolence set up the Pastor's Emergency Fund with \$200 set aside to be available quickly when urgent needs are made known to the pastor or church office. These needs include: medicine, utility bills, & food, which for whatever reason other sources of funds are not immediately available. Contributions directed to this fund through the Benevolence Committee are always welcome and may be made by noting on your giving envelope.

Excerpts from a Emergency Assistance Center thank you letter (the entire letter is posted on the bulletin board): "...Because the Emergency Assistance Center is a privately funded, independent nonprofit 501©)(3) tax-exempt charitable organization, that relies solely on community support, we would not have been able to help the countless number of our less fortunate *Twinsburg neighbors* that we have had the privilege to assist over the years, without the continued support of concerned churches like First Congregational. Your generosity has not only been a true blessing to those we help, but a tremendous source of encouragement as well to those of us engaged in the daily hunger battle."

CHURCH WORLD SERVICE (CWS) is a cooperative ministry of 35 Protestant, Orthodox, and Anglican denominations, providing sustainable self-help and development, disaster relief, and refugee assistance in some 80 countries. CWS is one of the agencies through which your financial gifts to missions through the Benevolence Committee reaches out to neighbors around the world. To learn more about CWS, check the weekly updates on the Benevolence section of the downstairs hall bulletin board or refer to the CWS web site at www.churchworldservice.com

MissionMoment

God is still speaking, Whose Children are They?

Making a world fit for all of God's children has been a guiding inspiration for the church for centuries. This year, our church is 50 years old, but the many examples of mission to children throughout our history as the United Church of Christ grow out of a much longer history and heritage of caring for children. Our church and its predecessors founded some of this country's first children's homes, many of which still serve thousands of children in the United States. The United Church of Christ has established schools overseas for children and youth who would otherwise receive little or no education. The United Church of Christ works in public education today toward good schools for all children in our nation. The United Church of Christ has worked for decades to provide basic medical care, clean water, and enough food for children in impoverished areas of the world, including here in the U.S. Throughout its history, the United Church of Christ has dedicated itself to helping children in need: whether they live in refugee camps, in families that cannot care for them, in remote villages, or on the streets of large cities. Through your gifts to Our Church's Wider Mission, you enable the United Church of Christ to care for children.

From the Pulpit Committee . . .

As members of the Pulpit Committee, we accepted the responsibility of investigating the motion that was approved by the congregation at the Congregational Meeting held in September 2006, as to whether First Congregational Church should remain a part of the UCC. I too, was dismayed by the chain of events that led to the churches legal entanglements during this past summer and the lack of involvement by the UCC, but I also understood the restraints of the lawsuit prevented Council from discussing any of the details, even with the congregation.

After much discussion, the members of the Pulpit Committee agreed that we needed to have an honest and frank dialogue with the UCC before we as group could make a recommendation to the congregation. The decision was made to contact The UCC national office for dialogue rather than the Western Reserve because the general consensus was that, even if it was just a perception that the Western Reserve had abandoned First Congregational Church. As a result of the call to the national offices, Rev. Lorin Cope, Minister of Conference Relations, agreed meet with the Pulpit Committee and he had a very frank and candid dialogue with the group on what the UCC's expectations were, and First Congregational's expectations. Rev. Cope has also graciously agreed to meet with the congregation on Sunday, January 14, 2007 for further dialogue.

For me this responsibility has been an emotional undertaking, because I grew up in a UCC church even though I had parted ways with the UCC for a number of years, I always remembered one thing about the UCC that I was unable to find in any other church and that was that the UCC celebrated diversity in people and in thought. It did not ostracized members because they questioned their faith and it did not demand that everyone be of one mind, but allows everyone to be guided by their own conscience. So when my family went looking for another church, we chose to visit First Congregational only because it was a UCC affiliated church.

At the end of the meeting with Rev. Cope, I personally felt that we were not alone as a church and that the UCC was still attuned to my spiritual needs. If there was one message that I brought away from the meeting with Rev. Cope it was that the UCC does not demand blind loyalty from its member churches and that it is up to each of its individual member churches to determine how involved they want to be with the UCC. For all of the above-mentioned reasons, my personal recommendation is that First Congregational Church remains a part of the UCC and actively work together with the UCC to repair the relationship.

Sincerely,

Ron Valentine

Pulpit Committee Chairman

From the Pulpit Committee . . .

As a member of the search committee, I went into the job of researching our relationship with the UCC and future possibilities with mixed feelings and described myself to the group as "on the fence."

The group agreed that our congregation needed ties with some larger organization for identity and resources. We looked at some of those and to me, nothing stood out as a better solution. After some lengthy heartfelt discussions, we found we had common agreement as a committee on two issues- that much of our negative experience with UCC in reality was the Western Reserve Association and that by either choice or neglect, our church had not taken an active role in UCC activities utilized our options for representation at local and national meetings.

Our committee's discussion with Lorin Cope really made me feel that the UCC could work for us and that there was much more we, as a congregation, could do to make that relationship more positive for us. The UCC organization too, is looking at some structural changes that could well take us away from the source of some of our past problems. I hope that each member of the congregation take the time on January 14 to listen to Mr. Cope's thoughts and ask some questions to help them better think with an open mind about this issue before the congregational meeting January 28.

Because I do not feel there are organizations that fit our congregation's needs any better, because I feel we share in the blame for lack of UCC relationship, and because I think that the timing is bad because of where we are as a church and the potential for change in the UCC structure, I now strongly believe that a move away from the UCC for our church would not be good for our congregation.

Terri Bissell

I have always said what is on my mind and want to tell everyone my feelings about the future of First Congregational with the UCC.

First, I want everyone to know that I was completely for the idea of our removing ourselves from the UCC. All I could think about was what had the UCC done for us except take our money every month. We didn't hear from them when we were having problems with our past pastor and never received much from them as far as I could see.

Then the search committee met with Lorin Cope from the National office of the UCC. He was very interested in our feelings and enlightened us on some points of our relationship with the UCC. A couple of the points that I found interesting were:

First, the UCC will not barge in and come to our rescue if we don't ask them for help. There are many things that the UCC can do for us, if we want them to, but we can be on our own too – and that's ok with them. Loren made a comment that with all the many churches that are members of The United Church of Christ, each church is unique and that's what makes up the UCC. There were other points too, and I hope everyone will come to the meeting we are planning on January 14th and listen to Mr. Cope and ask him the questions you may have.

I personally came away from that meeting with the feeling that the UCC is where we should remain. It is the right fit for our congregation.

Gayle Davet

From the Pulpit Committee . . .

My family and I have been member of 3 different UCC Churches for the past 20 something years. We started going as a family in New Milford Connecticut. And when we moved to Massachusetts, I really became actively involved with the Church by volunteering and serving on different committees. The experiences that I had in serving in various committees gave me a much better idea of what is involved in the everyday running of a congregationally run Church.

One of the big reasons we have been members of the UCC is their strong belief that ANYONE (Black, White, Male, Female, Lesbian or Gay...) are all children of God and are welcomed into God House. Annetta and I have always believed that God Loves us all no matter what, and will forgive us for our mistakes.

One of the things that I was always amazed about when talking to members of our Church here in Twinsburg is how we seem to want to blame our problems on to the UCC. While in Massachusetts they had and still have many issue's, some very similar to ours. However the conference minister was our ally and offered us much needed guidance and support. I know that we have not received that support, and we spoke candidly about that as a group and with Lorin Cope from the national office of the UCC.

It was not until after Lorin Cope from the National office of the UCC attended one of our search committee meetings did everyone understand, including myself that the UCC will help but only if they are asked. Unfortunately, everything that the UCC has heard from or about us came from one source.

The question that needs to be asked is if we were to change affiliations, will we continue to do what we are doing, or are we willing to ask for more support? If so, then why would we not want to give the UCC the same option and asked them for more help when needed?

Finally, I've attended many meetings where I expressed my surprise that being this close to the National Office of the UCC, why don't we take part in many of the lay training opportunities that they offered in Massachusetts. I've attended the then called "Suitcase Seminars" that helped the different committee's understand what there responsibilities are beyond the obvious but what else can they do to help strengthen the church. Whether its communication, worship, stewardship...

Like we tell our children, when you struggle don't be afraid to ask for help, and don't assume that everyone in the congregation knows everything.

Your in Christ,

Mike Muir

From the Pulpit Committee . . .

I have said before that I am not a great proponent of the UCC, but at the same time I have never been greatly opposed to it, either.

I am more opposed to our claim to be a UCC church. In everything but name, we left the UCC long ago. If we vote to leave formally, it will make no noticeable difference to us. We will lose no services, no support, and no privileges, because apart from pastoral searches we have never chosen to use any. We would not change our customs, traditions, diversity, communal personality, or beliefs; we didn't obtain them from the UCC and they will still be ours should we leave. We would simply continue to do what we have always done, entirely on our own, without any support apart from what we provide for ourselves, and with little or no hand extended to give or receive support from any other church.

That last is exactly what we ought to change. We could use the resources, the teaching, the sharing of problems and solutions, the mutual support and especially the fellowship that a strong association might give us. We could use help that would support us without threatening our independence, our sense of family, or our own way of prayer and worship. The alternatives to the UCC—three or four other congregationalist associations in the United States—may be better options for us, or might not; we have no way of knowing without trying them. Before we risk the upheaval of trying one, it makes sense to give the UCC a truly earnest try first. If the try fails, the other associations will still be there: and the UCC is the one we already know, certainly the one most prominent in our area, and on paper at least, the one best suited to our temperament and our needs.

Tom Holzwarth

I found the meeting with Lorin Cope, from the UCC national office, an enlightening and encouraging experience. I believe that membership in the UCC is an excellent 'fit' for the First Congregational Church of Twinsburg (FCC). Membership in the UCC guarantees the autonomy of FCC as explicitly stated in the UCC Constitution. At the same time, the UCC has numerous resources that FCC can leverage in the development of our church and sharing the Gospel to our community. I believe that in recent years, as a church, we have not taken advantage of the programs that the UCC provides its members. At this time, I believe that remaining a UCC church is in the best interest of FCC.

Joel S. Pietrantozzi

Moderator

The Pulpit Committee has been meeting regarding the membership of our church in the UCC. As a long time member of the First Congregational Church, I feel we can use the guidance of the UCC when it is needed. I have personally attended one of their seminars and was impressed with both the content of the meeting and the faith of the leaders. I recommend our continued membership in the UCC.

Carol Zenisek

The following actually appeared in a church bulletin: (Thanks to Gayle Davet for the email!)

“Our youth basketball team is back in action Wednesday at 8 pm in the recreation hall. Come out and watch us kill Christ the King.”

“The peacemaking meeting scheduled for today haven canceled due to a conflict.”

I am not going to lie and say that I have always been knowledgeable about the UCC. Because in fact I have been naive to the truth, I am ashamed to say that I am a freshly confirmed member yet I never knew all that the UCC had to offer. Growing up I always associated the UCC with the disliked ministers and staleness of church. I was fed the information that they were responsible for all the troubles our church had encountered over the years. Only now do I realize that I was under false pretenses the entire time. After meeting with Lorin Cope, I was able to be enlightened with his understanding and facts in which our church is in such desperate need for.

Before our church makes the drastic choice of succeeding from the UCC, we need to know the facts. Because like I only recently found out, we can not blame the UCC for everything. The UCC will only come when we ask. As a church we cannot be angered when they don't show up at our front door offering help when we never asked for it in the first place. Also there are many interesting opportunities that the UCC offers but the congregation was never informed of these. The UCC offers work camps for youth groups that I would have LOVED to participate in but I never knew they existed. Our church cannot go into this decision blindly, we must get to know the UCC before we can blame them for everything that has gone wrong in this church. Knowing the information the search committee was lucky enough to discover; I believe that many will change their minds about succeeding from the UCC. I know that now I believe we must stay with the UCC and take full advantages of the resources they have to offer.

God Bless,
Ariel Bissell

What equals 100%? What does it mean to give MORE than 100%? Ever wonder about those people who way they are giving more than 100%? We have all been in situations where someone wants you to give over 100%. How about achieving 101%? What equals 100% in life?

Here is a little mathematical formula that might help you answer these questions:

If: A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z is represented

as: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26, then:

H-A-R-D-W-O-R-K

AND K-N-O-W-L-E-D-G-E

8+1+18+4+23+15+18+11 = 98%

11+14+15+23+12+5+4+7+5 = 96%

But, A-T-T-I-T-U-D-E

AND look how far the L-O-V-E-O-F-G-O-D will take you

1-20-20-9-20-21-4-5 = 100%,

12+15+22+5+15+6+7+15+4 = 101%

Therefore, one can conclude with mathematical certainty that: While Hard Work and Knowledge will get you close, and Attitude will get you there, it is the Love of God that will put you over the top!

From the Stewardship Committee . . .

The Stewardship Committee wishes to thank the members and friends who have returned a pledge for 2007. The Financial Secretary reports to us that many of you have increased your pledges from the 2006 level, and we have received a number of new pledges. This is good news for our church. It is especially important for the Search Committee as it helps them to establish salary parameters for a permanent minister. Although at this time the total dollar amount is will shy of where we would like to be, it is reassuring to have recommitment and fresh commitment from so many of you. For those who have not yet made a pledge for 2007, please accept this as a gentle reminder to do so as soon as possible. If you did not receive or have misplace the pledge packet, then please contact Kathy Lessman at the church office (330-425-2181) or Dan Richner (330-425-7575) and one will be sent to you.

Please join us as we give thanks to God for the blessings we and our church enjoyed in 2006, and let us share with each other the burden of our losses and sufferings that they might be made lighter. The committee also wishes to thank Reverend Jim Link and his family for the help and good counsel that they have given to us thus far, and we look forward to further guidance in the search process and the continued operation and ministry of this church.

In Christian Service,

The Stewardship Committee

Betty Palmer

June Remick

Dave Powell

Dan Richner

Did you know. . . .

The church provides nursery service for children ages newborn to 3 years of age. It is available for all services. It is also available for meetings, when requested 48 hours in advance. All you need to do is call the office to schedule this service for meetings.

The church also provides wiggle church for ages 4 through 3rd grade for all children not in Children's Choir. The wiggle church begins just after the children's sermon. Parents may pick their children up from the nursery or wiggle church immediately following the service. These are located downstairs in Fellowship Hall.

If you have any questions, please see Judy Richner or Stewart Lessman.



Member News

Happy Birthday

to:



Mike Geither

01/02

Andrea Bennett

01/02

Katie Delgado

01/05

Brandon Miller

01/06

Peter Weiss

01/07

Bonnie Williams

01/08

Irwin Turnbull

01/09

Jared Verbic

01/11

Terri Bissell

01/11

Gail Herrilko

01/15

Gordon Weiss

01/16

Robert Barbey

01/16

Stewart Lessman

01/17

Jane Gant

01/19

Donna Miller

01/20

Kalem Sokolowski

01/23

Risa Roberson

01/24

Janet Hanzel

01/24

Audrey Turner

01/26

Rich Bissell

01/28

Joel Pietrantozzi

01/29

Happy
Anniversary

to:



Doris & Irwin Turnbull

01/10/1953

If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please call the church office so we can update our records.

Congratulations to -

John Nicholas Pinghero and Amanda Joy Parbel were united in marriage on December 2, 2006. Amanda is the granddaughter of Dorothy Bascombe.



Congratulations!!

Adeline Agnes Mayer was baptized on December 10, 2006. Her parents are Aaron & Lisa Mayer. She has one brother, Oliver.



Cassie and Anthony Pietrantozzi were baptized on December 17, 2006. Their parents are Mikki & Joel Pietrantozzi.

Don't forget the Annual Meeting on Sunday January 28 after worship service.

January Schedule

January Servers

- Carol Doe
- Will Adams
- Ray Keffer / Ashley Bissell
- Marge Adams
- Mike Muir
- Andrea Bissell - Bread
- Kenny Prentice - Greeters
- Ken E. Prentice - Cards



Communion will be

January 7th this month

Those attending church who wish to receive communion need to be present in the sanctuary.



January 07, 2007

Justin Doe
Jared Doe


January 14, 2007
Mark Holzwarth
Gwen Richner

January 21, 2007
Austin Roberts
Robert Hoyt

January 28, 2007
Doug Verbic
Jared Verbic

The families of the names in **bold** have Acolyte Coordinator Duty and should light the sticks and assist the acolytes.

If you are unable to serve on your assigned week, please find a replacement and notify the church office of the change. Thank you!



Scrap Booking Friday

January 19, 2007

6:00 p.m.—midnight
in the Fellowship Hall


Lockup Trustee for the month of January

- Steve Doe

ATTENDANCE

	Sunday School	Worship Service
Dec. 3rd	73	117
Dec. 10th	65	129
Dec. 17th	62	118
Dec. 24th	42	112

M I D W E E K



Adult Bible Study

will resume on Thursday, January 4th. It takes place on the 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Thursdays, at 6:30 p.m. in the library. Joel Pietrantozzi is conducting the class. Brown bag dinners are welcome for those coming directly from work.

The following actually appeared in a church bulletin: (Thanks to Gayle Davet for the email!)
“A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow.”

NEWS from CHRISTIAN ED

Angel Tree

Thanks from the Youth Group for everyone's support. We received: 22 packages of diapers; 14 packages of wipes; 1 baby powder; 12 cans of formula; 42 baby bottles; 6 extra nipples; 1 bottle drying rack; 2 toothbrushes; 1 toothpaste; 42 hats / gloves; 61 bibs; 6 blankets; 7 hooded towels; 12 receiving blankets; 16 toys / books; 8 crib sheets; 20 wash cloths; 14 boys coats; 16 girls coats; 2 boy's outfits; and 4 girl's outfits.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER

SUBSTITUTES

Would you be willing to fill in for a Sunday School teacher as your schedule allows? A couple of the classes do not have backup teachers and the teachers involved would appreciate having someone to call upon occasionally to fill in. Ample teaching material is always available. Please see Terri Bissell or leave your name in the church office if you are able to help in this ministry.

Seekers Prayer Shawl Ministry

As of December 16, 213 prayer shawls/scarves have been made and given by this ministry offering love, comfort, and recognition to the recipients. Meeting the 2nd. and 4th Mondays of each month for an hour from 7 to 8, this ministry also provides a special hour of quiet, fellowship, and prayer for those participating. All are welcome to join; meeting dates for January are the 8th and 22nd.

Thank You!

–**For the ongoing** generous contributions for the Emergency Assistance Center-- most recently the donations of holiday decorations for families who use the Center. There was a van full of items—in good condition if not new, delivered to the Center from families and friends of First Congregational Church.

–**To those involved** with Sunday School who made the annual birthday party for Jesus a special evening—the addition of musical instruments was great!

–**To those who contributed** to the offering taken at the birthday party for Jesus—over \$200. was collected for the Stranded Travelers Fund and will be added to the third of the Christmas Fund offering also designated for the Stranded Travelers Fund.

–**To Janet & Bob Hanzel and Terri & Rich Bissell** for putting up the Christmas decorations in, around, and on the church.

–**To those who donated cookies** for the Women's Fellowship Christmas cookie containers. After filling 20 plus containers to give away, there was enough left to make a nice box for the VA hospital.

The following actually appeared in a church bulletin: (Thanks to Gayle Davet for the email!)

“Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.”

**Donated to the Metro
Health Preemie Unit :**

353	Preemie Hats
354	Preemie Blankets
177	Pairs of Booties
36	Preemie Sweaters
40	Blue Ceramic Bears donated by a friend of Millie Frieling
36	Pink Ceramic Bears donated by a friend of Millie Frieling
31	White Christmas (miniatures) stockings for girls made by Millie Frieling
26	Blue miniature boat ornaments made by Millie Frieling

**Donated to the Bone Marrow
Cancer Unit via Lynn Holman:**

54	Fancy Hats
67	Lap Robes
2	Tied Quilts
126	Soft Toys made by Millie Frieling
29	Crocheted (toy) items made by Millie Frieling

**Donated to the Hospice of
The Western Reserve:**

56	Lap Robes & Afghans
15 pr	Bed socks
3	Tied quilts

**Donated to Inner City Schools
Of Cleveland:**

66	Stocking Hats
11	Head Bands
15 pr	Mittens

**Donated to the Hospital in Akron
NICU via Dr. Shaw's office:**

99	Preemie Hats
20	Preemie Blankets
2	Preemie Sweaters

Donated to Providence House:

8	Tied Quilts
3	Stocking Caps
3	Baby Afghans

**Donated to Rainbow Babies
& Children's Hospital:**

55	Hats
20	Blankets

**Donated to African Children's Hospital
Via Shelley - made by Millie:**

300	Bunny Pins
3	Angels
9	Glove Dolls
4	Clowns

**Donated to Akron Pregnancy Service for
Unwed Mothers (W. Market St.):**

4	Layettes (blanket, sweater, and hat)
2	Bonnets
4	3 piece sweater sets (sweater, hat, and booties)
19	2 piece sweater sets (sweater and hat)
6	Baby afghans
11	Tied quilts

These ladies have been busy! Thanks to all of their hard work many people have been blessed with their handiwork.

JAS 1:2 *Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, 3 because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. 4 Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.*

James, the half-brother of Jesus, gives all of us very practical advice in these verses from his epistle. James tells us that there is a purpose to the trials that we face in life. The purpose of trials is to remind us that God is in control and that He has not forsaken us but He wants us to trust in Him so that we will spiritually mature.

When faced with a trial, we need to go before God and ask for the patience and wisdom to see what purpose there is for facing a trial. Some trials are short in duration and the end result is obvious to us. Other trials may seem to have no end in sight and we may wonder why we are going through a trial and if God has forgotten about us.

When we find ourselves in either situation, we need to remember to persevere in our faith and go before God, placing our trust in Him. God has many ways to reach into our lives to help us through the trials of life, teaching us along the way.

As most of are aware, my daughter (Cassie) was diagnosed with a heart condition on November 24 as she was taking a mandatory physical for the upcoming basketball season. This news really 'blind-sided' my wife and I because Cassie has always been in good health. Additionally, as parents being blessed with healthy children, this was the first time that we had to deal with a major medical issue with one of our children. At first, we felt ill-prepared to deal with this trial, but God was present all around us.

God was present in the loving response that we received from our church family. The people that reached out to us that knew of someone who had the same heart condition or had it themselves and could speak to the effectiveness of the treatment. God was present in the church members that reached out to us to offer assistance and kept my family in their prayers. God was present in the calming and confident approach of the doctors and with them on December 20, when the corrective procedure was performed. God was certainly with Cassie and our son, Anthony, who both demonstrated such courage during this time that it was a calming influence to my wife and I.

I don't know how people that live separated from God, and a church family, face trials in their lives. We are blessed in not having to face trials on our own. We are blessed to have each other in the presence of God.

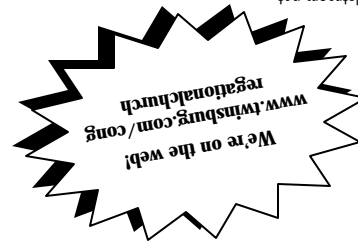
In Christ

Joel S. Pietrantozzi

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since 1848



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**Come worship with us
and bring a friend!
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.**

Tower Submissions

Articles for the *Tower* may be e-mailed directly to the church at firstcongregational.church@windstream.net. Hard copies, CD's, or diskettes may be dropped off at the office.

Tower deadlines are posted on the monthly calendar and in the Sunday worship bulletin. For questions, or to be added to or taken off the mailing list, please send an e-mail or call the church office at 330-425-2181.