

Welcome to the Merrimack Valley Church! Today we will celebrate the salvation that is ours through Jesus Christ. Christian believers of all faiths are invited to join in the Lord's Supper Celebration today.

**The Worthy Student Fund** at Greater Boston Academy/Edgewood Elementary School will receive the gifts given in the children's offering today.

**A Fellowship Dinner** will be served immediately following the worship service today.

The Church Board will meet on Tuesday evening at 7:00.

**Next Sabbath** Warren Saxton will be our speaker. The Pastor will be at the Billerica Church.

A Church Yard Sale will be held on September 26. Your fall cleaning can be turned into Christmas money by renting a table at this event. For more information contact Karen McClendon.

**Literature Evangelism:** Earl Andrews is now serving the Merrimack Valley as a colporteur. If you or someone you know would like to purchase health, family, and Bible related products, please take an information card from the church bulletin board.

**The Women's Retreat** will be held at the Snowy Owl Lodge November 12-14. For the best price, sign up and pay the deposit by September 15. For more information, call Karen McClendon at 978-658-2893.

#### **Giving Hearts: Weekly Financial Update for September**

| Offerings           | Received   | Monthly Budget |
|---------------------|------------|----------------|
| Church Budget       | \$945.00   | \$3,033.00     |
| Building/Organ Fund | \$1,266.00 | \$3,725.00     |

Sunset Tonight 6:58

Next Friday 6:47



Merrimack Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church September 11, 2004

# Worship Celebration

The Love of God

## **Gathering to Worship**

Prelude Worship Host Greetings Ingrid Mergenthaler Marge Patch

### **Praising His Name**

Praise Songs S The Love of God O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus Congregational Prayer Child Dedication Service Gifts of Worship World Mission Budget Offertory

Steven Dovich & Dan Martella

Marge Patch DaSilva Family Karen McClendon

Ingrid Mergenthaler

Juanita Ortiz

Jean McKillop

Dan Martella

Joan Reiss

#### **Proclaiming the Word**

Children's Corner Scripture Lesson John 3:16,17 Worship in Song Communion Meditation *Creative Compassion* 

**Celebrating Our Salvation** 

| Foot Washing Fellowship           |                     |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Lord's Supper                     |                     |
| Hymn of Rejoicing                 | #75                 |
| The Wonder of It All              |                     |
| Church Member Assistance Offering |                     |
| Postlude                          | Ingrid Mergenthaler |



| Every Believer, Ministers                          | *********    |
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| Dan Martella, Pastor                               |              |
| Steven Dovich, Head Elder                          |              |
| Gary Patch, Head Deacon                            |              |
| Florence Asomugha, Head Deaconess                  |              |
| Marge Patch, Treasurer                             |              |
| Sue Markin, Clerk                                  | 978/957-6384 |
| Joanie Reiss, Membership Clerk                     |              |
| Andreas Goelzer, Personal Ministries               | 603/537-9735 |
| Ingrid Mergenthaler, Sabbath School Superintendent | 603/894-7295 |
| Karen McClendon, Community Services                |              |
| Bill Cady, Audio Visual                            | 603/437-9581 |

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# The Love of God

The love of God is greater far, than tongue or pen can ever tell, It goes beyond the highest star and reaches to the lowest hell; The guilty pair, bowed down with care, God gave His Son to win; His erring child He reconciled and pardoned from his sin.

#### Chorus:

O love of God, how rich and pure! How measureless and strong! It shall forevermore endure, the saints' and angels' song.

When years of time shall pass away and earthly thrones and kingdoms fall, When men, who here refuse to pray, on rocks and hills and mountains call; God's love so sure shall still endure, all measureless and strong; Redeeming grace to Adam's race the saints' and angels' song.

Could we with ink the ocean fill and were the skies of parchment made, Were ev'ry stalk on earth a quill and ev'ry man a scribe by trade. To write the love of God above would drain the ocean dry; Nor could the scroll contain the whole tho stretched from sky to sky. <sup>0 Public Domin CULLIEMEN ND. 162402</sup>

## O The Deep, Deep Love Of Jesus

O the deep, deep love of Jesus, vast, unmeasured, boundless, free! Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me! Underneath me, all around me, is the current of Thy love, Leading onward, leading homeward, to my glorious rest above!

O the deep, deep love of Jesus, spread His praise from shore to shore! How He loveth, ever loveth, changeth never, nevermore! How He watches o'er His loved ones, died to call them all His own; How for them He intercedeth, watcheth o'er them from the throne!

O the deep, deep love of Jesus, love of ev'ry love the best! 'Tis an ocean full of blessing, 'tis a haven giving rest! O the deep, deep love of Jesus, 'tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me; And it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to Thee! <sup>0 Public Domin CULLIEMEN NA. 162402</sup>