



THE UNITED CHURCH

CONGREGATIONAL • BAPTIST • METHODIST

West Rutland, Vermont

1773-1973

The Beatitudes

Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

*Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness:
for they shall be filled.*

Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

*Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children
of God.*

*Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness sake: for
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

*Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and
shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.*

*Rejoice, and be exceedingly glad: for great is your reward in heaven:
for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.*



HISTORICAL SKETCH

On October 20, 1773 the following people met at the home of The Rev. Benajah Roots, incorporated themselves into a church and signed the Articles of Faith, Covenant, Discipline:

Ebenezer Hopkins	Charles Brewster	Joseph Bowker
Samuel Crippin	Abraham Jackson	Jehial Andrews
David Hawley	John Moses	Sarah Bowker
William Roberts	Enos Ives	Sarah Andrews
Anna Ives	Mehitabel Andrews	

Since then, the church, now called The United Church of West Rutland, Vermont, has had twenty-five pastors and has worshipped in four church buildings (not counting the present "Pratt Hall"):

PASTORS

Benajah Roots 1773-1787	Henry E. Bray 1894-1896
Lemuel Haynes 1788-1818	George I. Adams 1896-1900
Amos Drury 1819-1829	Carlton Hazen 1901-1904
Lucius L. Tilden 1830-1839	Henry P. Higley 1905-1907
Aldace Walker 1840-1862	Edgar S. Vradenburg 1909-1911
Henry M. Grant 1862-1867	Frank E. Davidson 1911-1919
George L. Gleason 1867-1869	Thomas A. Carlson 1919-1926
James R. Bourne 1870-1872	Burton E. Marsh 1926-1931
John K. Williams 1872-1883	Alfred S. Kline 1933-1936
B. Fay Mills 1884-1886	John R. Henderson 1937-1957
J. Webster Bailey 1887-1890	Roger L. Albright 1957-1965
Henry T. Barnard 1891-1893	James D. McLauchlin 1965-1967
Irving E. French 1968-	

CHURCH BUILDINGS

1773-1788 Log Meeting House, near present entrance to Evergreen Cemetery
 1788-1855 Wood Frame Church, just south of Pleasant Street Cemetery, then called West Parish, Rutland
 1855-1885 First Brick Church, across Pleasant Street from Cemetery
 1886- Second Brick Church, corner Chapel and High Streets

LOG MEETING HOUSE

The 1773-1788 Meeting House, built of logs, with slabs for seats, was situated on the west side of what was known as Meeting House Hill, in Center Rutland, near what is now the entrance to Evergreen Cemetery. This was the first church in Rutland County and 10th in the state. After a few years the people of the East Parish began to worship by themselves, erected a meeting house in 1784 and organized a church in 1788 (now Grace Congregational United Church of Christ).

Benajah Roots received three lots as compensation for his ministry, two near the Mendon Town Line and one on the slopes of Hanley Mountain. His home was a farm he bought in March of 1773, on which there were three log houses; one of his descendants sold the farm in 1817 to the Billings family who still own it. Elizabeth Guernsey Roots, his wife, is buried in West Haven, Vermont. They had six children, the youngest of whom was born in Rutland. The Rev. Benajah Roots is buried in Pleasant Street Cemetery, West Rutland.

The Rev. Roots graduated from New Jersey College (now Princeton University) in 1754. He was of the strictest Puritan school and came to Rutland from Simsbury, Connecticut. In 1784 he received an honorary A.M. degree from Dartmouth. In 1973 a marble memorial was placed on the back wall of the present sanctuary; it reads:

In Memory of
The Reverend Benajah Roots
1725 - 1787
Who Organized This Church
October 20, 1773
And Was Its First Pastor

The Rev. William Emerson, grandfather of Ralph Waldo Emerson, died in October 1776 at the Rev. Roots' home and is believed buried in the unmarked grave next to Roots' own grave. Pleasant Street Cemetery was given to the church and congregation October 30, 1787 by William Roberts, one of the founders of the church, and in it, over his grave, is a marble slab with this inscription:

WILLIAM ROBERTS
Died November 1788
Aged about 70 years

A short time before his death Mr. Roberts
gave this ground to the Congregational
Society for a burial place,
and his own body was
the first here buried

This monument is erected by some of the
members of the society as a token
of respect to his memory

Pleasant Street Cemetery was given to the town November 9, 1908.

WOOD FRAME CHURCH

The 1788-1855 Wood Frame Church was built after some delay because the three sections of the parish could not agree on a site. As a result, four men from west of town were called to decide. They drove four stakes somewhere south of the old Pleasant Street Cemetery and rode out of town again. The church was very plain, just a rectangular building, no steeple or chimney, no paint, no heat. The pews were large and square. The pulpit faced the south, backed by a large sounding board. Many sat with their backs to the minister. In 1826, during The Rev. Drury's ministry, extensive alterations were made; a porch with belfry and steeple was added on the east end, and galleries on three sides. The choir sat in the gallery and often numbered sixty. It is described as a handsome building. A Sabbath School is first reported in 1819.

This church was built early in the ministry of Lemuel Haynes, who took the pastoral watch and care of this church, agreeable to a vote of the church March 28, 1788. Rev. Haynes, better known throughout this and adjoining states by the familiar title Father Haynes, remained with the church as its pastor thirty years, being dismissed (at his own request) by an Ecclesiastical Council convened April 29, 1818. During this long ministry there occurred a period of years, from 1811 to 1816, when national politics absorbed every mind. Party feeling ran high, and discussion provoked open rupture between friends of a lifetime.

It is not singular that a man of such independent thought and fearless utterance as Mr. Haynes should, by his writings and published speeches, have made some enemies. Yet his labors were wonderfully blessed, as during his ministry three hundred six persons were added to the church.

The Rev. Lemuel Haynes was the first Congregational clergyman of partially black ancestry. He was self-educated. He fought as a Minute-man in 1775 and 1776 engagements. In 1804 Middlebury College conferred on him an honorary degree of Master of Arts. The Haynes' home in South Granville, New York, his last pastorate, has been restored; both he and his wife are buried in the South Granville Cemetery. They had ten children. A book of his sermons is with the records of this church.

1855-1885 BRICK CHURCH

The 1855-1885 Brick Church was dedicated May 30, 1855. It was Greek revival in style, with white columns and a beautiful steeple and belfry. Aldace Walker was pastor at the time. It was on the east side of Pleasant Street, across from the cemetery and the frame church. It cost \$18,000. The old minutes say, "The handsome walls and majestic tower are an honor to the builders." While it was being built the master-builder fell with a staging and was killed. It had few modern improvements. The audience room was square and echoed badly; the roof proved to be defective; the chimneys were built too near the tower so the house often filled with smoke. In 1865 a fine organ was bought at a cost of \$1800, at which Chalon Blanchard presided for nearly eighteen years. In 1885 it was estimated \$4000 would be needed to make the church satisfactory; and since the village had grown on the west side of the crossway the parishoners decided to build a new church to the west. This was a most difficult decision to reach, and the old records reveal the many meetings and differences of opinion. A fine picture of this church hangs in the hallway of the present church.

There was no religious service when the cornerstone was laid in the 1850's; an excellent Christian remarked, "I expected accidents would happen and that everything would go wrong. We shall find that the neglect to offer prayer at the laying of the cornerstone will cost us a great deal." When asked why not dedicate it all at once, he replied,

"NO SIR. The Lord wants His work to start right." The church was torn down in the late 80's, after only thirty years service. The key to the front door, and the silver communion service, are on display in a case in the back wall of the present church. The bell hangs in this belfry.

The pipe organ, a William A. Johnson instrument dated 1866, made in Westfield, Massachusetts, was moved to the present church. The black walnut case was altered to the style preferred in the 1880's. The Organ Historical Society considers it a prized instrument - so do we.

1886 BRICK CHURCH

The 1886 Brick Church cornerstone was laid at a formal ceremony September 10, 1885, and contains copies of the Rutland Herald, The Vermont Chronicle, The Boston Congregationalist, a church manual and articles of faith adopted in 1831, a sermon preached by Lemuel Haynes in 1805, and Deacon Thrall's historical address. The completed church was dedicated May 19, 1886. It cost \$10,587.50 including \$1300 for the furnishings. The entire foundation, including the cornerstone of darkest blue marble, was given by Sheldon and Sons. A service commemorating the 50th anniversary of the cornerstone laying was attended by Governor Charles M. Smith and 200 others; it was also the 50th anniversary of Governor Smith's reception into this church.

The Congregational Church Society voted December 27, 1918 to invite the Methodist Church and the Baptist Church to join them in worship under the name "The United Church of West Rutland, Vt." Both had been worshipping in their separate churches since the 1880's. The Episcopal parish was not in the union, but discontinued services the same year. The Salem Lutheran Church (Swedish) was built in 1895; its congregation moved in 1958 to the Church of the Good Shepherd in Rutland City. On March 2, 1919 Rev. Thomas A. Carlson became the first United Church pastor. The Methodist and Baptist churches were sold and torn down; the Episcopal chapel is now a dwelling near the high school. The Swedish Church is now the Masonic Temple. Total United Church enrollment six years later was-

Congregational	122
Baptist	40
Methodist	11
Episcopal	8
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In the middle 1960's the United Church voted to affiliate with the United Church of Christ.

The church interior was extensively remodeled and repaired early in 1949. The open balcony in the rear was made into two much-needed Sunday School classrooms. This entailed removing two pairs of double pews across the back of the sanctuary, moving the rear partition forward, building a second stairway and building a level floor over the old balcony. Seating capacity was reduced from 300 to about 176. The very high ceiling was lowered with wallboard paneling. The chancel arch above the organ was changed to a curve, and the entire interior (including the parlor) was painted a rose beige with a deeper tone in the organ pipe recess. New electric chandeliers were hung and side lights installed; these were separate gifts. Wiring, furnace, chimney and organ were repaired. The total cost of \$7000 included carpeting, choir chairs and lavatory room. The plumbing and fixtures were installed later as a gift. The young people's group gave \$50 for organ repairs and all but \$1800 was subscribed at a building fund supper (about ninety subscriptions). The Women's Society gave \$2500. It was a great accomplishment.

In 1969 the interior was redecorated a lovely blue as a family memorial gift and a plaque was placed on the rear sanctuary wall in gratitude. In 1972 new pew cushions replaced the 86 year-old maroon ones.

PRATT HALL

The Chapel, now called Pratt Hall, is a separate two-story wooden building beside the United Church building. The Sunday School occupies the entire first floor except the kitchen. It now numbers about 50. In 1912 Rev. F.E. Davidson changed its name to Pratt Hall, for the donor. The second floor until 1960 was a meeting room for Eastern Star and Masons. This building has played a vital part in the work and outreach of the church. Church services and meetings relative to abandoning the old brick church were held here before the

present brick church was built. Again in 1918 due to the coal shortage and in 1949 during the remodeling, services were held here. Annual meetings, parish suppers, bazaars, a public library, social activities and Youth Fellowship meetings all attest to the active program Pratt Hall has made possible. The Head

Start Program, an O.E.O. federally funded project, has occupied the first floor rent free weekdays for the past two school years. Much renovation has been done over the years inside, and in 1969 white aluminum siding added greatly to its appearance.



The Church and Pratt Hall

THE WOMEN'S SOCIETY OF THE UNITED CHURCH

A history of our church would not be complete without telling the vital role played by the women.

It was voted on March 19, 1883 to move the church edifice from where it stood to the other side of the causeway. At the dedication of the present church on May 19, 1886 old records were read and they show that the ladies of the church had given the frescoing, chandeliers, pulpit furniture, furniture for the Pastor's study and cushions for the pews. During the years before they had given a piano for the chapel, furniture and made some repairs.

On February 18, 1874 the West Rutland Women's Missionary Society was organized, an auxiliary of the Vermont Branch of the Women's Board of Missions. Its object was to collect money for missionary purposes and to cultivate a missionary spirit among its members. Meetings were held quarterly. Speaking of 'outreach', this organization did tremendous things, contributing to both home and foreign missions. Quilts were tied, barrels and boxes were filled and sent to many states and foreign countries - in 1894 a box went to a

school in Constantinople, for example. At meetings, letters from all over the world were read telling of schools, churches, dispensaries for which help had been received and expressing thanks for it. Sewing was done at many meetings and it is interesting that besides clothing the boxes and barrels included candy, games and dolls. The annual report of June 15, 1894 said, "We cannot do grand things, let us be content to do what we can, but let us keep the water boiling."

In 1894 the ladies were asked to earn a dollar to apply on the church debt. The result was a printed booklet entitled "How We Earned Our Dollars" with poems telling the method. This booklet was sold.

Apparently the Ladies Aid Society was busy earning money during the years as the Missionary Society tied a quilt for them to sell and on June 19, 1891 the Ladies Aid Society mentioned that the Missionary Society had helped them. As late as 1930 the Missionary Society was sending barrels and boxes to missionaries. They did Red Cross work at the meetings after 1917 and also did sewing for a town family.

About 1934 the Missionary Society, Ladies Aid and Industrial Society became the Women's Society of the United Church. Through the years money has been earned in various ways, sale of dusters, wax paper, wax, suppers, card parties, monthly food sales, rummage sales, Rotary dinners and bazaars. The sale of the bell on Pratt Hall for \$100.00 added to our treasury. Several times we were asked to pay the salary of the minister. One of our large projects was a new furnace in Pratt Hall and repairs to the building (\$4500-\$4600). It took us a long time to pay almost \$2500 toward remodeling the church, the new stoker for the church, redecorating the parsonage kitchen and putting in a new stove, repair of the organ, repair of Pratt Hall (\$500), new banquet tables for Pratt Hall and truck to hold them (\$535), Electric stoves (\$500), gas hot water heater (\$111), tile floor, dishes to serve one hundred (\$250), rugs for the ladies' Parlor (\$285) and one half cost of the new pew cushions (\$700).

The Women's Society has continued to remember others sending "sunshine bags", CARE packages, helping a family in Germany several years, contributing for drapes at Waterbury State Hospital, making choir robes for children's choirs and remembering shut-ins. In other words we have "kept the water boiling".

THE MEMORIAL FUND

A Memorial Fund was started in 1960 with the names of Howard C. Winslow, Allan P. Davis and Alma Smith and now numbers many more names. The fund is kept separate; some families have asked that the principal of amounts in memory of their deceased be held and only the income therefrom be spent. Besides the Memorial Fund there have been numerous memorial gifts to the church and Sunday School:

1968	A silver tea service and tray and candelabrum
1968	Large lace tablecloth
1969	Interior church redecoration - memorial plaque
1972	New pew cushions (half the cost)
1972	Church foundation plantings - memorial plaque

There have also been other direct gifts for specific needs, and memorial flowers to mark anniversaries and special occasions. The church and Sunday School are grateful for these thoughtful gifts and loving remembrances.

TOWN—CHURCH HISTORY

Since everyone was of one faith, earliest town and church history were often united. On September 7, 1761 Benning Wentworth, the Royal Governor of New Hampshire, signed the charter for the Town of Rutland - 26,000 acres, about 8 miles east to west, 6 miles north to south. This includes what is now Rutland City, and the Towns of Rutland, West Rutland and Proctor. Colonel James Mead arrived in the fall of 1769 from Manchester, Vermont, built a log cabin on the west bank of Otter Creek (near the present Nineteenth Green Restaurant) and returned with his wife and ten children the next spring. Three other families settled at the same time: Simeon Powers, William Dwinell and Asa Johnson. In 1774 there were 35 families. The first white child born in Rutland was Captain William Mead, born 1770. A meeting house was built in Whipple Hollow in 1790. Near this meeting house was a school and cemetery. Early settlers there were Benjamin Whipple, Ashbell Lee, Seth Moses, Jesse Thrall, and Noah Griswold. All are familiar names in our old church records and continue in present membership lists.

Town Meetings were first held in the old Log Meeting House in Center Rutland. Later they were held alternate years in the East Parish Court House and the West Parish meeting house, town hall or Pleasant Street School, until the West Parish buildings became too small.

In the 1850's came the railroads and the rapid growth of the marble industry and with it great prosperity. Drastic changes occurred in the next 100 years. In 1886 the Town of West Rutland was created by act of the legislature. In 1890 its population was 3680, the eleventh largest in the state and it seemed destined to become the wealthiest. Immigrant labor was brought in to live in company houses near the quarries and mills. Most of the marble companies were consolidated into two companies. The management and principal office of one company moved to Proctor (formerly Sutherland Falls). West Rutland population changed again and in 1970 it was 2381.

The little pioneer church and settlement in its rural setting on Pleasant St. along Route 4 and on Boardman Hill have also changed with the years. Old records remind us of past sacrifices far beyond our comprehension, of ecclesiastical differences and great decisions made by great and devoted people. Through it all, this mother church has continued to render its service to the people. Her past has been glorious but difficult, her future remains a challenge to all of us who love her dearly and cherish her noble heritage.

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS



Wayne Barker Family



Mrs. Glorine Bradley Family



Mrs. Hazel Coffin



Mr. & Mrs. George Covatt



Mrs. Lena Davis



Richard Dodds Family



Mrs. David Fadden



Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Fish



Mr. & Mrs. Guy Fish



Miss Meda Foster



Rev. & Mrs. Irving French



Mrs. Edith Harmon



Mrs. Prudence Hazen
& Gloria



Charles Heir Family



Dr. & Mrs. Charles Hults



Miss Dorothy Hults



Mr. & Mrs. Hubert Humphreys



Mrs. H.R. Hurlbut



Mrs. Eva Lamphere



Mrs. Margaret Lamphere



Harry Loomis Family



Donald Moyer Family



Mr. & Mrs. C.D. Osborne



Mrs. John Petty Family



Robert Posch Family



Mr. & Mrs. Donald Ross



Mr. & Mrs. Rudolph Rousseau



Mrs. Ann Shannon Family



Arthur Sherman Family



Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Smith



Mr. & Mrs. Rollin Thrall Sr.



Rollin Thrall Jr. Family



Robert Wener Family



Mrs. Clara Weinreber



John Weinreber Family



Ralph Weinreber Family



Robert Weinreber Family



Mrs. Lydia Winslow



Mr. & Mrs. Robert Zimmerman



Frank Baginski Family



Mrs. Joan Bishop Family



Chester Brown Family



Joseph Caggige Family



John Burris



Mrs. Wm. Johnston



E. Catherine Marsh



Louis Marsh



H. Burdette Pratt



Ruth H. Pratt



Donald Dunchus Family



Robert Johnston Family



Leroy Martelle Family



Louis Shannon Family



John Smith Family



Ralph Smith Family

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

Addresses: All West Rutland unless otherwise noted.

Telephones: All 438 unless otherwise noted.

-A-			
ALEXANDER, M/M Rolland		CARLETON, M/M Russell	5097
Rutland		Clarendon Springs	
		CLARK, Mr. Worrell	2203
		Clarendon Ave.	
-B-			
BAGINSKI, M/M Frank	5013	COFFIN, Mrs. Hazel	
Clarendon Ave.		Clarendon Ave.	
R.F.D.		COLVIN, Mrs. Frances	2846
BARKER, M/M Wayne		Chippenhock	
Castleton		R.F.D.	
BASLOW, Mr. Ralph		COVALT, M/M George	2482
Ira Rd.		Boardman Hill	
Ira		R.F.D.	
-D-			
BENSON, Miss Alma		DAVIS, Mrs. Lena	2363
High St.		Main St.	
BENSON, Miss Anna		DERBY, M/M Earldon	
High St.		Depot St.	
BISHOP, M/M William	5658	DODDS, M/M Richard	2292
Tower Lane		Clarendon Ave.	
BLOOMER, M/M John	5500	DUNCHUS, M/M Donald	
Clarendon Ave.		Pleasant St.	
BRADLEY, M/M Barry	5068	-F-	
Clarendon Springs		FADDEN, M/M David	2389
BROWN, Mrs. Amy Smith		Main St.	
800 Ben Franklin Dr.		FOSTER, Miss Meda	773-2832
Sarasota		50 West St.	
Florida		Rutland	
BROWN, M/M Arthur		FISH, M/M Charles	5588
BROWN, M/M Chester	5784	Castleton Rd.	
Clarendon Rd.		FISH, M/M Clarence	235-2379
BROWN, M/M D. George		Ira	
Clearwater		FISH, M/M Guy	2928
Florida		Dewey Ave.	
BRUCE, M/M Kenneth		FRENCH, Rev. & Mrs. Irving	773-7905
R.F.D.		8 Vernon St.	
BURKE, Mrs. Muriel	2264	Rutland	
BURRIS, M/M John	5620	FULLER, M/M John	2921
Dewey Ave.		Castleton Rd.	
-C-			
CAGGIGE, M/M Joseph	773-8721	Ira	
26 Lincoln Ave.			
Rutland			

-G-		JOHNSTON, Mrs. William	
		Ira	
GARRAPY, M/M Harvey	5737	-K-	
106 Main St.			
GORHAM, Mr. Franklin	2243	KANTORSKI, M/M Thomas	
Clarendon Ave.		North Clarendon	
R.F.D.		KAPITAN, M/M Samuel	
GUYETTE, M/M Edward	2917	West Rd.	
GUYETTE, M/M Raymond		Proctor	
-H-		KRUSZEWSKI, M/M Joseph	
		Flory Heights	
		Center Rutland	
HARMON, Mrs. Edith	483-6447	-L-	
Pittsford			
HARTMANN, M/M Lester	5601	LAMPHERE, Mrs. Emmett	
Main St.		Clarendon Ave.	
HAZEN, Miss Gloria	775-4091	LAMPHERE, Mrs. George	
Pittsford		Clarendon Ave.	
HAZEN, M/M James	265-3451	LAMPHERE, M/M Richard	
Fairhaven		Kingston	
HAZEN, Mrs. Prudence	775-4091	Tennessee	
Pittsford		LeFEVRE, M/M Richard	
HIER, M/M Allen	2362	Durgy Hill	
Chippenhock		LeFEVRE, Miss Sylvia	
R.F.D.		Durgy Hill	
HIER, M/M Charles	5739	LEWIS, M/M Clarence	
Mead St.		Whipple Hollow Rd.	
HULTS, Dr. & Mrs. Charles	2444	LIDDELL, M/M Donald	
Tower Lane Ext.		Main St.	
HULTS, Miss Dorothy	2444	LOOMIS, M/M Harry	
Tower Lane Ext.		Skyline Dr.	
HULTS, M/M Edward		-M-	
Saratoga Springs			
New York		MARSH, M/M Louis	
HULTS, M/M George	273-4171	Dewey Ave.	
Hubbardton		MARTELLE, M/M Leroy	
HUMPHREYS, M/M Hubert	2986	Meadow Lane	
Blanchard Ave.		McCULLOUGH, M/M Roy	
HUNTLEY, M/M Gary	773-3720	Whipple Hollow	
West St.		McGINLEY, Mrs. John	
Rutland		Templewood Ct.	
HURLBUT, Mrs. H.R.	5708	Rutland	
Pleasant St.		MEAD, Mr. Richard	
-J-		Rutland	
		MERRILL, M/M Ralph	
JANKOWSKI, M/M Richard		Chippenhock	
Marble St.		MOYER, M/M Donald	
JOHNSTON, M/M Robert	235-2247	Dewey Ave.	
Ira			

-O-		SHANGRAW, M/M Ralph	235-2206
OSBORNE, M/M Chauncey	775-0353	Ira	
Nancy Lane		SHANNON, M/M John	459-2216
Rutland		School St.	
-P-		Proctor	
		SHANNON, M/M Louis	5557
		Clarendon Ave.	
PARKER, M/M Donald	773-3374	SHANNON, Miss Marsha	5557
Church St.		Clarendon Ave.	
Rutland		SHEETS, M/M Richard L.	2353
PARKER, M/M Douglas	773-3693	SHERMAN, M/M Arthur	
E. Washington St.		SMITH, M/M Clarence	235-2373
Rutland		Ira	
PARKER, M/M Leon	5087	SMITH, M/M Dennis	775-2883
Clarendon Springs		North Clarendon	
PARKER, M/M Robert	775-5817	SMITH, M/M John	5650
N. Church St.		Dewey Ave.	
Rutland		SMITH, Miss Loreen	5650
PARKMAN, Mr. Earl	5219	Dewey Ave.	
Dewey Ave.		SMITH, M/M Ralph E.	773-2978
PETTY, M/M John	2407	Flory Heights	
Pleasant St.		Center Rutland	
POSCH, M/M Robert	2302	SMITH, M/M Ralph M.	5742
Main St.		Harrison Ave.	
POTTER, M/M Clark		SMITH, M/M Raymond	
Ira		Clarendon Springs	
POTTER, M/M Edward	5765	-T-	
Pleasant St.			
POTTER, M/M John	2969	TAGGART, Mrs. Azel	2462
Clarendon Ave.		Clarendon Ave.	
PRATT, M/M H. Burdette	2955	TANNER, M/M Clifford	775-2094
Clarendon		North Clarendon	
-R-		THRALL, Miss Sherri	2253
		Woodward Ave.	
ROSS, M/M Donald	2946	THRALL, M/M Rollin, Jr.	2253
Tower La.		Woodward Ave.	
ROUSSEAU, Miss Jan	5041	THRALL, M/M Rollin, Sr.	5780
Clarendon Ave.		Fairview Ave.	
ROUSSEAU, Miss Joyce	5041	-W-	
Clarendon Ave.			
ROUSSEAU, M/M Rudolph	5041	WING, Miss Harriet	2328
Clarendon Ave.		Clarendon Ave.	
-S-		WINSLOW, Mrs. Lydia	2477
		Blanchard Ave.	
SCHOLLAR, M/M Theodore	5526	WEAVER, Mrs. Rita	235-2216
Chapel St.		Ira	
SEAVAR, Mr. John	5022	WEINREBER, Mrs. E. Clair	2902
Clarendon Springs		Chapel St.	

WEINREBER, M/M John	2222	WENER, M/M Robert	5644
Clarendon Ave.		Durgy Hill	
WEINREBER, M/M Ralph	2459	WILDER, Mrs. Frances	2811
Ross St.		Chippenhook	
WEINREBER, M/M Robert	773-8567	WILDER, M/M Edward	
Crescent St.		Rutland	
Rutland		-Z-	
WENER, M/M Carl	2344		
Main St.			
WENER, Mr. Christopher	2344	ZIMMERMAN, M/M Robert	
Main St.		Clarendon Ave.	

Special Texts For Everyday Use

When in sorrow, read John 14
When men fail you, read Psalm 27
Before church service, read Psalm 84
When you have sinned, read Psalm 51
If you want to be fruitful, read John 15
When you are in danger, read Psalm 91
When you have the blues, read Psalm 34
When you worry, read Matthew 6:19-34
When you are discouraged, read Isaiah 40
When God seems far away, read Psalm 139
When doubts come upon you, try John 7:17
For Jesus' idea of a Christian, read Matthew 5
When you are lonely or fearful, read Psalm 23
For James' idea of religion, read James 1:19-27
When you forget your blessings, read Psalm 103
When your faith needs stirring, read Hebrews 11
When you feel down and out, read Romans 8:31-39
When you want courage for your task, read Joshua 1
When you leave home for labor or travel, Psalm 121
When your prayers grow narrow or selfish, Psalm 67
For Paul's secret of happiness, read Colossians 3:12-17
When you grow bitter or critical, read 1 Corinthians 13
When the world seems bigger than God, read Psalm 90
When you want rest and peace, read Matthew 11:25-30
For a great invitation and a great opportunity, Isaiah 55
For Jesus' idea of prayer, Luke 11:1-13, Matthew 6:5-15
For the prophet's picture of true worship, Isaiah 58:1-2
When you want Christian assurance, read Romans 8:1-30
For Paul's idea of Christianity, read 2 Corinthians 5:15-19
For Paul's rules on how to get along with men, Romans 12
When you think of investments and returns, Mark 10:17-31
Why not follow Psalm 119:11 and hide some of these in your memory?



Call Your Minister

WHEN YOU ARE FACING A SERIOUS PROBLEM

Most ministers have been trained to help people with their personal, family and other problems. The important judgment of a spiritual leader, together with his prayers for Divine guidance, will enable you to face your problems with confidence. Don't allow your problem to get too big for you.

2. WHEN SOMEONE IS INTERESTED IN THE CHURCH

You constantly meet young people and adults who are in your community, and others who have not united with the local church. Put in a good word for your church and tell your minister about the prospective members.

3. WHEN THERE IS ILLNESS

Your minister is as near as your telephone. His presence, counsel and prayer will be helpful. Your minister will appreciate your phone call when you, your loved one or friend is sick or going to the hospital.

4. WHEN THERE IS DEATH

Your minister should be notified when there is a death in the family. He can give comfort and counsel at this difficult time.

5. WHEN YOU MUST MAKE AN IMPORTANT DECISION

If you are a young person and face a decision about going to college, arranging your course of study, or choosing your life work, make an appointment to see your minister. The viewpoint of your spiritual adviser should be considered.

6. WHEN THERE IS A WEDDING

Your minister should be consulted before the wedding day is set. Since you will undoubtedly desire to have one or more conferences with your minister, it is advisable to contact him well in advance of the wedding.

7. WHEN SOMEONE DESIRES TO BECOME A CHRISTIAN

Happy, indeed, is the minister who is asked to talk with someone desiring to become a Christian. Tell your minister about friends of yours who are interested in knowing more about the Christian faith.

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