

February 5, 2023



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Danbury church of Christ

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Call to Worship	Don Garrick
Songs	Nick Godano
Lord's Table	Troy Richards
Sermon	Michael Pickering
Closing	Lacy Boggess



Closing

<u>Minister</u>	<u>Coordinators</u>
	Dan Garrick <i>Finance</i>
	Don Garrick <i>Fellowship</i>
	Elton Hodge <i>Benevolence</i>
	Jim Hopper <i>Worship</i>
	Ellen Bourne <i>Communications</i>

Dedication

What does it mean to “dedicate” oneself to something? When applied to an individual it means to devote to a particular subject or purpose. In a religious sense, it means to devote to the worship of a divine being, specifically to God. It can also be defined as setting apart for specific, sacred uses with solemn rites. There are many instances of dedication found in the Old Testament story. The mother of Samson was instructed by the Angel to dedicate the boy to God’s service with the “Nazarite” vow. The vow, as described in Numbers 6, laid specific rites to abstain from strong drink, not to cut the hair and refrain from touching the dead (**Numbers 6:1-21**). Though the original vow was intended to be a temporary dedication, Samson, along with Samuel and John the Baptist were to keep the vow for their lifetimes. (**1 Samuel 1:10-11; Luke 1:13-15**) As we consider these three examples, we may very well see the foresight of inspiration for Christian dedication.

When we obey the Gospel, we make a commitment to the Lord and are to dedicate ourselves to His service. “I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.” (**Romans 12:1**) This personal sacrifice and dedication to the cause of Christ is now a lifestyle rather than something we apply only for an hour on Sunday morning. We’ve all known people who wholeheartedly dedicate their lives to a cause that they are passionate about. We need to be just as passionate about our Christianity and live it to the fullest every day. Unlike the original Nazarite vow which lasted for only a specific time and then expired, our Christian service will have only one expiration date as described by **Revelation 2:10**, “Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.”



Jay Lannius

Prayer Request

- Bob Harvey's stepmother Ernestina Harvey fell and broke her hip. She is rehab and is bedridden. She currently resides in CA with no close family near by to assist. While in rehab Ernestina contracted covid. She now has to sell her home. Pray for her health and the speedy sale of her home
- Jo Harvey's sisters friend MaryLou has been diagnosed with stage 4 ovarian cancer. Pray for MaryLou and her family
- Sue Barbarotto's office sales rep. Diane Warner ask for prayers for her friends husband Bill who is in heart failure. Diane's husbands friend Matt has a blood clot in his leg and kidney failure. Sharon Crowley's brother Jimmy needs his appendix removed. Sue Barbarotto's friend Nanette whose son is facing life challenges, pray that he seeks the help he needs
- Continue prayers for Randy Walker's sister Becky who has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. Becky's tumor is not shrinking so surgery may not be an option if it does not shrink. Pray that continued treatment will shrink the tumor
- Continue prayers for Doug Vile who has been diagnosed with Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) and his wife Jere who is always by his side and a constant support
- Continue prayer for Don & Doris Garrick's son-in-law Kurt Ogrinc was admitted to the hospital on Mon. Nov 28th after suffering a stroke. Kurt was operated on and consequently had several small strokes. ****Great News**** Kurt was discharged on Wed., Dec. 7th and is at home. He is recovering nicely
- Pray for DcOC minister search
- Pray for safe travels for our congregation members
- Pray for our visitors
- The work in Mozambique and Zambia
- Pray for our missionaries and families
- Pray for our deacons, teachers, leaders, and each other

Praise and Thanksgiving

- Paul & JoAnn Symanowitz had contract covid which was **not** a mild case. They are both recovering
- Sue Barbarotto's office sales rep. Diane Warner's friend Cindy whose cancer has spread to her ovaries and lung. She has stage 4 cancer for 10 years. The doctors are going conduct a new trial. Cindy will be traveling pray for her lung capacity.

Online Prayer Request

- Crystal Vines—The Bronx, NY—Pray for fulltime employment soon. She is not getting any interviews

Services & Meetings: Week of February 5, 2023

Sunday AM Worship 9:30 am

Sunday AM Bible Classes for ALL AGES 11:00 am

Wednesday - Pray & Bible Study

****Zoom Meeting** Virtual** 7:00 pm—8:00 pm

*If you are interesting in attending
email: info1danburycoc.org@gmail.com*

Event Calendar

Feb 9th Bowling Fellowship 12:15 pm—2:00 pm
Strikers—840 Federal Rd—Brookfield, CT
Contact : Michael P.

Feb 14th Happy Valentine's Day

Bible Classes

11:00 am —Sunday Classes for ALL AGES

Adult Upstairs Class

"The New Covenant" - Gene Pollastro

Ongoing Meeting (church building)

⇒ Mad Hatters Barber Shop Tues. 7:00 pm
Rehearsals

⇒ Al-Anon Thurs. 7:00 pm—9:00 pm

⇒ Narcotics Anonymous Thurs. 6:30 pm—9:30 pm

Events



Happy Valentine's Day

Tuesday, February 14th



Wednesday—Pray and Bible Study

****Virtual****

****Zoom Meeting****

7:00 pm—8:00 pm

If you are interested in attending the virtual bible study, please email us at info1danburycoc.org@gmail.com

It's a chance for us to connect, come together digitally to share, laugh and see each other as we unlock the bible together.

Come join us!



Weekly Fellowship

Thursday—Bowling fellowship

12:15 pm—2:00 pm
Strikers
840 Federal Rd., Brookfield



