

The Springfield Redeemer



“Men ought always to pray,
and not to faint,”
Luke 18:1

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A Call to Pray and to “ReKindle the Flame.” by Roberta D’Amico

Mission Pioneer Valley Pastor’s Prayer Group presents “Rekindle the Flame,” a call to pray; so on Sunday night, January 9, 2022, Cornerstone Church was filled with God’s Presence and His Word and our worship and a good crowd of people who came to seek God. The New Year has begun and we do not know what it will bring, but we do know God is in it, He goes before us, and will never leave us.

Pastor Josh Eldridge said, “Let’s slam the door on fear! God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and love and a sound mind!” (2 Timothy 1:7) Listen to the voices from the world and you will live in fear. But God would have His Children live free of fear by trusting in Him, His power and presence! Fear will cause us to shrink back from God, so together we prayed for power to be sent from on High.

The theme being “ReKindle the Flame,” we, as the Body of Christ, must each add our ‘log’ to the fire, so that our devotion to God and our effectiveness in this sin-sick world will continue to burn brightly. But first, understand that although Sunday is often said to be the most segregated day of the week, the truth is the Bible speaks of ONE Church, where the Christians were all together. There may have been groups of Christians meeting in different cities back then, but not competing groups in the same city! We are so far from the first century believers!

When we worship together as we did Sunday night January 9, with born-again Believers in Jesus from many churches and ‘denominations,’ worshipping God who is the one Life-force who created and sustains all that exists, we set aside the superficial differences. Pastor Juan Feliciano said, “we need to break down the walls that divide us.” And then he prayed for repentance across the Pioneer Valley. Jesus said to focus on the things

that unite us, not divide us. He is coming for the One Church, not ‘a’ particular church, not ‘churches’, but His Church!

The Unity Prayer Services began in 2020. That was the summer cities were burning across America, as near to us as Boston! Pastor Steve Cooley’s brother Ed got together with him and said, “We have to do something to protect our city!” Pastor Cooley called Mayor Sarno and said, “We have to get out in front of this thing before it comes here!” Skin color differences were fueling the destruction of America!

As a result, Pastor, along with Daniel Torres and others from the Pastors’ and Leaders’ Prayer Group, called Mission Pioneer Valley, planned gatherings for prayer, inviting all churches of any color or nationality to come together. A highlight of this first gathering on June 2, 2020, on City Hall steps, was praying over the Mayor, especially for wisdom and unity! September brought a second Prayer Meeting at Bethany AG Church, uniting many local churches which took part. Now, in the beginning of 2022, we held the 7th Unity Prayer Service!

Together we lifted up our hearts in Thanksgiving for the faithfulness of our God, and His loving gift of salvation based on Ephesians 2:8-9. Between prayers we sang worship songs, with the leading of the excellent Worship Team.

“To rightly understand God’s will and God’s ways, we need sound minds,” Pastor Vasily said. “The



Daniel and Worship Team

Holy Spirit gives us sound minds, so we can serve God. God has a purpose for you. But we have an enemy who will keep us from serving if we let him

keep us in bondage to fear!” Finally we prayed for Love, and then Pastor Cooley preached a short but powerful message, ending in an altar call.

Future *Trust Jesus Unity Prayer Services* in Pioneer Valley are planned for May 29, July 31, and October 31.

March For Life Springfield

January 19, 2022, Marching for the lives of unborn babies in Springfield Massachusetts.



Hundreds of Pro-Life marchers left from St. Michael's Cathedral, on State Street, down State



Street, to City Hall steps for prayers!

COMING NEXT MONTH! Saturday February 12, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Spaghetti or Lasagna Dinner at Holy Grounds Coffee House, 455 State St. Spfld. To benefit United Temple Church Building Fund and new Redemption Gate Offices. Lasagna or spaghetti with choice of 3 sauces: beef, sausage, veg; garlic bread, salad. Take out. To order in advance please call: Sam Patterson at (413) 222-5361 or Pastor Cooley at (413)626-6807 or Sis. Roberta at (413) 330-4658 or Sis. Denise at (413) 885-5777.

Ongoing Events

SUNDAY SERVICES:

10 a.m. - Motivated by Faith with Pastor Bobby and Kim Quinones.

3:00 p.m. Coffee House Church with Pastor Cooley.

MONDAY -- FRIDAY: Morning Bible Study at 7:30 a.m. ***Come and be blessed!***

WEDNESDAY: 1 pm to 4 pm – Coffee House open with Steve Morin.

THURSDAY: FIAT Thursday 7 p.m. February 10, 2022.

FRIDAY: Women's Bible Study with Shelly Saunders, Fridays at 1:00 PM.