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SUNDAY WORSHIP

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August 13, 2017

10:00 AM

Prelude

Introit

*Processional Hymn: #259 "Awake, Awake to Love and Work"

*Call to Worship: (Psalm 8)

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is thy name in all the earth!

**When I look at thy heavens, the work of thy fingers,
the moon and the stars which thou has established;**

What are human beings that thou art mindful of them
and the children of God that thou dost care for them?

**Yet thou hast made them a little less than God,
and dost crown them with glory and with honor.**

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is thy name in all the earth!

*Invocation

*The Lord's Prayer

Welcome and News of the Church

*Unison Reading:

**Thou art the molder and maker of thyself;
thou mayest sculpt thyself into whatever shape thou dost prefer.
Thou canst grow downward into the lower natures which are brutes.
Thou canst again grow upward from thy soul's reason into the
Higher natures which are divine...**

**Let then a certain holy ambition invade the mind, so that
we may not be content with mean things but may aspire to
The highest things and strive with all our forces to attain them:
For if we will to, we can...**

Let us compete with the angels in dignity and glory.

Pico Della Mirandola, "On The Dignity of Man"

*Gloria Patri: (#36 in hymnal)

Scripture: Isaiah 11: 1-3, 6-9 (OT, pg. 609)
Romans 12: 9-13 (NT, pg. 152)
Matthew 19: 13-15 (NT, pgs. 19-20)

*Hymn: #356 "Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak"

Pastoral Prayer

Pastoral Prayer Response: *Hear Our Prayer*

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Hear Our Prayer". It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Hear our prayer, O God, hear our prayer, O God; in - cline your ear to us, and grant us your peace." The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a steady rhythm.

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem

*Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen

*Offertory Prayer

Sermon: "REFLECTIONS ON A STILL LIFE (ON FINDING THE L KEY,
A LUNCH BUCKET, THE MYTH OF SYSSYPHUS, A TEQUILA
COMMUNION, PADDINGTON BEAR AND RUSTIC STEPS)"

The Rev. David W. Good

*Hymn: #404 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Benediction

Benediction Response

Postlude

*Congregation Standing

Large print versions of this bulletin are available from the ushers.

We thank you for worshipping with us. Following the life and teachings of Jesus, we are a church that strives to be a place of grace, welcoming all regardless of theological expression, age, race, gender, sexual identity, national origin or financial means. In our Church Constitution we recognize that “each member shall have the undisturbed right to follow the word of God according to the dictates of his or her own conscience, under the enlightenment of the Holy Spirit.” The First Congregational Church of Old Lyme, established in 1665, cherishes this proud Pilgrim tradition. We are honored by your presence among us, and we invite you to help us become what we endeavor to be.

*This morning we welcome Lowell P. Weicker, our much esteemed former Governor and Senator.
We are most honored to have him read scripture for today's service.*

The flowers this morning are given by Debbie Ames in loving memory of Dick and Harriet Hoag.

The hosts for fellowship hour are members of the Choir.

The deacon on duty is Elizabeth Nocera.

Childcare is available every Sunday morning in the nursery downstairs at the 10 AM service.

If you need help finding it, please ask the ushers to assist you.

*If you are visiting us for worship this morning, we welcome you, and invite you
to join us outside (weather permitting) for fellowship and refreshments.*

We invite you to pick up a “Welcome” packet, which can be found in the vestibule.

*We hope this information will be helpful in acquainting you with
our church and its activities and programs.*

Quiet Activity Bags for young children are in the vestibule.

They are colorful bags with quiet projects for our youngest members.

Please feel free to offer these bags to your children.

The Rev. David W. Good serves as our Minister Emeritus.

The Rev. Rebecca T. Crosby is our Minister for Haitian Outreach.

The Rev. Christine Caton serves this church as minister of the South Lyme Union Chapel.

**Our fall schedule of two Sunday services,
at 9:00 and 11:00 am,
will commence on *September 10th*.**

This will also be the day of our all-church picnic at Camp Claire, 2:00 pm.

This morning we welcome back The Rev. David W. Good to our pulpit. David serves as our Minister Emeritus and was our beloved Senior Minister from 1975 to 2012.



Summer Sunday Children's Activities Every Sunday through **Labor Day** fun children's activities (snack, crafts and games) will be offered in the room adjacent to the nursery for children Kindergarten through grade 5 by a member of our Senior Pilgrim Fellowship during church. Younger children are welcome in the nursery during the whole summer. Please come have fun with us!

Stay in Touch We have email addresses for many in our congregation, but we are moving toward building a bigger email database so that we can send out church announcements in the future. If you would like to receive personal reminders about special events and church services, please share your email address with us, so we can keep in touch. Send your email address to FCCOL at **FCCofOldLyme@gmail.com** and we'll add you to our email list. (The church does not share the email addresses of its congregation members with anyone.)

The Ladies Who Stitch We reconvene our *10:00 - 2:00 Monday meetings on September 11th*. In the meantime, if you have questions, or are in need of purchasing some of our creations, please pick up an information/price list located in the connector and/or contact Eunice via email at **eunicetaylor@me.com**. All proceeds go to the Ladies Benevolent Society to be used for the church outreach programs.

Berlin Mosque Pot-Luck Supper for Muslim & Christian Women

Wednesday, August 16th, 6:00-8:00 pm.

RSVP to ccfnoank@yahoo.com or fatmaantar@comcast.net.

If you want to travel with others call the church office at 860-434-8686.

CALLING ALL FAMILIES - Join us for the Pequot Powwow!

The Mashantucket Reservation will hold its annual Powwow, Schemitzun, on *August 26 and 27*. This is a FANTASTIC place to learn about our Pequot neighbors and their traditions. This event is open to the public and there is free parking and shuttle service at the Pequot Museum. Our very own **TRIBAL CRAFTS** will be set up in a booth all weekend, so swing by and say hello!

SCHEMITZUN

Saturday & Sunday, August 26 & 27, 2017
on the Mashantucket Reservation
Sat: 10AM - 10PM & Sun: 10AM - 6 PM

SAVE THE DATE:

**Immigrant Assistance Committee Fundraiser
An Evening in Celebration of Our Immigrant Roots**

**Saturday, September 9, 2017
5:00pm to 8:00pm** in Fellowship Hall

Wine Tasting, Hors D'oeuvres, Silent Auction, Raffle and Musical Entertainment. Suggested Donation, \$20.

The Immigrant Assistance Committee assists local families in deportation crisis. By offering sanctuary, education and financial assistance for legal counsel, we aim to help to protect basic individual dignity, safeguard due process of law, and offer grace and courage for families in need.

Please come and be as generous as you are able to support this important ministry.

Contact Lina Tuck (lina.tuck@gmail.com) for more information.

The deadline for the September Newsletter is Friday, August 25th. Please send your article by e-mail as a Word document, fccol@fccol.org.

Calendar of Events and Meetings for This Week

WES Review *Monday, August 14th at 9:00 am* in the Library.

Board of Stewardship *Tuesday, August 15th at 7:30 pm* in the Library.

Cookbook Committee *Wednesday, August 16th at 11:00 am* in the Library.

TREE OF LIFE TRADE UNION JOURNEY
August 31 – September 9, 2017
Introduction

In 2013, the Connecticut AFL-CIO partnered with the Tree of Life Educational Fund to invite the Palestinian General Federation Trade Union (PGFTU) representative to address the 400 delegates of the Convention. Those who attended heard Mahmoud Abu Odeh describe the terrible conditions that Palestinian workers endure under the Israeli occupation. In 2015, the PGFTU invited Connecticut Labor leaders to visit Palestine and to meet with labor leaders and visit worksites to learn more about the condition of labor for Palestinians under occupation. That visit resulted in the submission and passage by the Connecticut AFL-CIO at its convention of the Resolution for a Just Peace.

The PGFTU has requested the solidarity of trade unionists throughout the world to assist in helping to bring a fair resolution to the ongoing Israel/Palestine tragedy. In that spirit, a second labor delegation will travel to Israel and Palestine to meet with both Israeli and Palestinian trade unionists in order to further the goals of international solidarity, peace and justice. The trip is planned over the labor day weekend leaving from JFK on August 31 and returning Saturday, September 9, 2017.

John Fussell, a labor attorney and TOL Board member, and The Rev. David W. Good, President of Tree of Life Educational Fund, will lead a labor delegation on this Tree of Life Journey. For more information, please contact John Fussell — johnfussell@gmail.com or David W. Good – davidwgood@fccol.org or Mary Tomassetti, Tree of Life Executive Director – mary@tolef.org.

The cost for the journey will be \$1470, which includes ground transportation, lodging, breakfasts, dinners, speaker fees, and most tips. Participants can expect to spend approximately \$1,100 on round-trip airfare to Tel Aviv. Extension to Golan Heights, occupied Syria September 9- September 11 details to come.

Tentative itinerary and more detail can be found on our website - <http://www.tolef.org/journeys/trade-union-journey-2017/>

Ladies Benevolent Society FCCOL Cookbook

The latest good news is LBS is organizing,
for the first time,
a FCCOL cook book of recipes.
Our plan is to be ready to distribute and sell
by the end of September.

The end of our 30-day deadline for
receiving recipes will be the 28th of August.

All categories, i.e. dessert, main dish,
miscellaneous, are accepted.

Please contact Judy Downs at
860-434-2484, downsct@yahoo.com or

Judy Simmons at 860-767-2788 ,
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for more information and your recipes.