



**The First Congregational Church of Old Lyme**  
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## SUNDAY WORSHIP

Steven R. Jungkeit, Senior Minister  
Carleen R. Gerber, Senior Associate Minister  
Joan W. Priest, Minister for Visitation  
Simon D. Holt, Director of Music

**July 30, 2017**

**10:00 AM**

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Prelude

\*Processional Hymn: #51 "All Creatures of Our God, Now Sing"

\*Call to Worship: (based on Psalm 105)

Give thanks to the Lord; call on His name, make His deeds known to all the people.

**For He is the Lord, our God, faithful to a thousand generations!**

Sing His praises; tell of His wonderful works, and glory in His holy name.

Let those who seek the Lord rejoice!

**For He is the Lord, our God, faithful to a thousand generations!**

Search for God, and for His strength.

Never stop looking for Him.

**For He is the Lord, our God, faithful to a thousand generations!**

\*Invocation

\*The Lord's Prayer

Welcome and News of the Church

\*Unison Reading:

**"When I remember that the Christ of the harvest  
is at work within the fields of my own spirit**

**I see the whole world as a place alive with the reign of God  
and the church as a field alive and growing with the presence of Jesus  
all of us both good soil and solid rock.**

**There's no explaining why seed grows in this place and not that place,  
on this ground or that path.**

**The miracle is God's power to bring out of the harvest fruit  
that will yield mercy and justice, compassion and forgiveness."**

*- The Rev. Bradley Schmeling*

\*Gloria Patri: (#36 in hymnal)

Pastoral Prayer

Pastoral Prayer Response: *Spirit of the Living God*

The image shows a three-system musical score for the Pastoral Prayer Response. Each system consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The music is in 4/4 time and the key signature has one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are: "Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me; Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me." The score ends with a double bar line.

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Selection

\*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

\*Hymn: #109 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

Scripture: Mark 4:2-20 (NT, pg. 36)

Sermon: "LISTEN UP!"

The Rev. Joan W. Priest

\*Hymn: #345 "God Be with You Till We Meet Again"

Benediction

Postlude

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

\**Congregation Standing*

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.

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*The flowers this morning are given by Sandra Rueb and family  
in loving memory of Bernard and Sylvia Yarrow.*

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*This morning we thank Carleen Gerber, our organist, and Jill Maurer-Davis, flutiest, for their gifts of music. We thank Bruce Anderson for assisting in the pulpit. Bruce has served as chairperson of many of church boards. He is currently a member of our Senior Choir and Board of Missions.*

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*The hosts for fellowship hour are John Kiker and Dan Hulseberg.  
The deacon on duty is Deborah Butler.  
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.*

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*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.*

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*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.*

**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!

**"SUMMER SING"** will be held *Sunday, August 13*. Director of Music, Simon Holt, encourages anyone interested in lifting her or his voice in song to participate. Please come to the Meetinghouse for a rehearsal with the Senior Choir at 9:15 a.m. on that Sunday to prepare for the 10 a.m. worship service. Thanks, we hope to see you there!

**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.

**Sunday Memorial Flowers** The *first week in April* is available for Memorial flowers. Please call Susan Griggs at 860-434-7660, for more information.

**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.**

**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](mailto:lina.tuck@gmail.com)) for more information.*

*Found in bathroom upstairs next to the office:  
Karen Scott white turtleneck sweater, size L.*

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

**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](mailto:johnfussell@gmail.com) or David W. Good – [davidwgood@fccol.org](mailto:davidwgood@fccol.org) or Mary Tomassetti, Tree of Life Executive Director – [mary@tolef.org](mailto: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 28<sup>th</sup> of August.

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

Please contact Judy Downs at  
860-434-2484, [downsct@yahoo.com](mailto:downsct@yahoo.com) or

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