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SUNDAY WORSHIP

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September 17, 2017

9:00 AM

Prelude

*Processional Hymn: River of Peace (back page)

*Call to Worship:

River of peace, flow through each one of us.

As we gather today, we remember our brothers and sisters in other parts of the world.

Inspire us to work faithfully for the justice and dignity of life everywhere.

Raise our vision above the barriers of color, culture, and creed that separate us.

Help us to recognize and respect different ways, rather than judging.

**In the Spirit of Jesus who came not to be served but to serve, we walk in the world,
we reach out our hands, and we open our hearts.**

Awaken in us the desire to exist with open hands and hearts.

Let us worship God.

*Invocation

*The Lord's Prayer

Welcome and News of the Church

*Hymn: #380 "We Are Not Our Own" (verses 1-2, 5-6)

Offertory Invitation

Mary Tomassetti

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

Mary Tomassetti

Green Grass Meditation

Ella Kiem and Sabina Jungkeit

Children's Sermon "Salaam Alaikum"

(led by Rachael Jungkeit as children depart for Sunday School)

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 vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. 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."

Green Grass Meditation

Nancy Mol and Kylie Hall

Readings: "We Have Forgotten Who We Are"
"Let the Trees Be Consulted"

Dan Renn

Green Grass Meditation

Stephanie Kenny and The Rev. Dr. Steven R. Jungkeit

*Hymn: River of Peace (back page)

Benediction

Postlude

*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.

This morning at the 11:00 am service we are pleased to celebrate the baptism of Cora Daisy Hannas, daughter of Jenny Watrons and Mark Hannas.

The flowers this morning are given by Lee Rhodes in loving memory of W.A.E.III and J.H.R. Jr.

The hosts for fellowship hour are Carol Levy, Ellen White, Jean and Paul Kilbride.

The deacon on duty is Lee Whitaker.

Childcare is available every Sunday morning in the nursery downstairs at the 9 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 in Fellowship Hall 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.

Adult Forums *September 24*: Lynn Malerba - Leader of The Mohegan Tribe, *October 1*: No Forum – World Communion and *October 8*: Lisa Tepper Bates, Connecticut Coalition To End Homelessness.

Book Group Save the Date on *Sunday, October 1st*, after the 11:00 am service. Martha Beaudoin and Carleen will facilitate a discussion of The Third Reconstruction *How a Moral Movement is overcoming the Politics of Division and Fear* by the Rev. Dr. William J. Barber II. This memoir of the Forward Together Moral Movement that began in NC delves into race-based inequity while providing a hopeful message during troubling times. Please join us – all welcome! Bring a snack or sandwich. Drinks will be provided.

Ellis Island/Statue of Liberty Excursion Last Call! **Ellis Island Trip!** October 4th, leave Old Saybrook by train at 7:15 am. Return at 7:56 pm. If interested please call (860-302-6417) or Email (mrlake86@comcast.net) for details. Check for ferry due to Martha Beaudoin by *September 25* (Adults \$18.50, Seniors \$14.00).

In God's Neighborhood Today we will be making some great instruments to play while we sing some favorite songs together. All are welcome!

Donations of 2-liter soda bottles and 8x10 canvas panels for use by the Sunday School classes would be appreciated. Thank you!

Senior Pilgrim Fellowship and Junior Pilgrim Fellowship will be participating in the Breakfast Run on *October 28, 2017*. Please RSVP to LisaDoggart@gmail.com if you are interested in donating food, hats or toiletries or if you are interested in going on the run.

Fellowship Hours Volunteering to host a fellowship hour is a wonderful and greatly appreciated way to give to our community! To sign up please contact **Wendy Knight** at wendyknight@gmail.com or **Lee Whitaker** at Whitakerlee@comcast.net.

Care-Givers Support Group, Friday, September 22, 10:00 a.m. in the Hoag Parlor Caring for someone you love who has an illness, disability or addiction is never easy and can cause one to feel lonely, isolated and unappreciated. Seeking support of friends and people who can relate to your situation is a wonderful way to care for yourself. Come join our Care-givers Support Group as we begin to meet again, once a month this fall. New members are always welcome. *Our next meeting will be Friday, September 22, at 10:00 a.m. in the Hoag Parlor.* If you would like to meet one-on-one or have any questions, feel free to contact the Rev. Joan Priest, 860-434-4629.

Food Pantry at FCCOL – Volunteers Needed Fridays, 8:30-10:00 am, or Saturdays, 8:45-11 am. You do not have to commit to every week, just come when you can. It's a great community service and fun people to work with. When you come, be sure to find Marie so she can give you direction. Any questions? Contact Marie Farrell, 860-302-5770 or Henry May, 860-767-7467.

FCCOL Art Tour On *Sunday, October 15*, right after the 9am service the Board of Music and Arts will be offering a tour of the church's art and artifacts. Docents Don Male and Bob Potter will be leading this very informative talk on the wonderful trove of art work residing within the walls of our church. Please assemble in the Library for the start of the tour.

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 Tree of Life journey in January 2018 will highlight the ongoing refugee crisis in Palestine and beyond by examining the tragic aftershocks of 1948. We'll visit refugee camps in the West Bank, and we'll visit communities threatened with erasure in East Jerusalem and the West Bank. But we'll also explore other manifestations of the aftershock of settler colonialism in Palestine, visiting occupied Syria (the Golan Heights) and other sites throughout Palestine and Israel where those aftershocks are especially visible. Throughout, we'll be hearing from voices of conscience speaking from various social locations (Israeli, Palestinian, Bedouin, Muslim, Jewish, Christian, Druze), all of whom are committed to building a future inhabitable by all, and not only a privileged few. The journey is conceived as a way of reckoning with a painful legacy, even as we imagine a hopeful future.

A Tree of Life collaboration between the First Congregational Church of Old Lyme and the Islamic Association of Greater Hartford, the journey will be led by Rev. Dr. Steven Jungkeit (Senior Minister of FCCOL), and Dr. Reza Mansoor (President of the IAGH). It will be an opportunity for travelers to reflect on how Islam and Christianity both speak to the condition of refugees (Jesus and Mohammed were themselves both refugees). It will also be an opportunity to learn about and to experience places sacred to Islam, Judaism, and Christianity, while also learning from the wisdom and expertise of fellow travelers. In addition, there will be an optional extension to Jordan, where we'll have an opportunity to witness the refugee situation in a different country, while also visiting historic sites such as Petra and the Wadi Rum. *Travel dates are January 2-14 (Palestine and Israel only) or through January 18 with the Jordan extension.* Cost to be announced shortly. Contact Mary Tomasseti, Tree of Life Executive Director for more details, at mary@tole.org.

Many of us have watched the wreckage and flooding caused by Hurricanes Harvey and Irma, wondering how or if we might help. It's difficult to witness the human pain in the aftermath of such events. While there may yet be further ways to lend assistance, if you'd like to make a donation to help with disaster relief, the UCC "Emergency USA Fund" is a good place to do so:

http://www.ucc.org/disaster_hurricane_harvey

Or, you may write a check to the church marked for "Hurricane Relief."

In the meantime, please keep all the individuals and families affected by Hurricane Harvey and Irma in your prayers.

All of the funds received go directly to relief efforts.

Ladies Who Stitch The sewing and knitting branch of the LBS have enjoyed a summer break and have resumed Monday work sessions in the Sheffield Auditorium as of *September 11, from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.* We create items to sell and donate and many of our creations are available during our Monday work hours, at the fall and spring LBS luncheons, and at the December Elephants in Winter sale. Our price lists are available at the office or contact Eunice Taylor. Questions: Email ~ **eunicetaylor@me.com**.

The next Communion Sunday is October 1st.

Calendar of Events and Meetings for This Week

Sunday School *TODAY at 9:00 am.*

Ladies Who Stitch *Monday, September 18th at 10:00 am* in the Sheffield Auditorium.

Board of Stewardship *Tuesday, September 19th at 9:00 am* in the Library.

Board of Missions *Tuesday, September 19th at 7:00 pm* in the Library.

Board of Stewardship *Wednesday, September 20th at 9:00 am* in the Library.

Pac 27 Meeting *Wednesday, September 20th at 6:00 pm* in Fellowship.

Senior Choir *Wednesday, September 20th at 7:30 pm* in the Library.

Board of Stewardship *Thursday, September 21st at 7:30 pm* in the Library.

Care Group *Friday, September 22nd at 10:00 am* in the Hoag Parlor.

River Of Peace

Words & music:
Lindy Hearne

C F Em F G C F Em F G

C G Dm G

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| 1. Riv - er of peace, | flow through me. | Riv - er of peace, | flow through |
| 2. Riv - er of peace, | take my hand. | Riv - er of peace, | take my |
| 3. Riv - er of peace, | call my name. | Riv - er of peace, | call my |
| 4. Riv - er of peace, | flow through me. | Riv - er of peace, | flow through |

C Am Em F

me.	When hat - red ris - es up,	please fill me from your
hand.	When sor - row holds my soul,	may your sooth - ing wa - ters
name.	And when my heart feels torn,	your voice can calm the
me.	When hat - red ris - es up,	please fill me from your

Am C G C ✂

cup.	Riv - er of peace,	flow through me.	Al - le -
flow.	Riv - er of peace,	take my hand.	
storm.	Riv - er of peace,	call my name.	
cup.	Riv - er of peace,	flow through me.	

Am G F C G C *to Coda* 1.2.

lu - ia, al - le - lu	1. Riv - er of peace,	flow through me.	<i>*D.S.</i>
	2. Riv - er of peace,	take my hand.	
	3. Riv - er of peace,	call my name.	
	4. Riv - er of peace,	flow through me.	

Harmony:

**D.S. 2X
al Coda
after 4th verse*

3. Am G F C G C

F Em F G C F Em F G C

⊕Coda