



The First Congregational Church of Old Lyme
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SUNDAY WORSHIP

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

January 29, 2017

9:00 AM

Prelude

*Processional Hymn: #220 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

*Call to Worship:

We have been called the salt of the earth.

Let us remain distinctive.

We have been called the light of the world.

Let us shine brightly in the midst of pain and confusion.

We have been called a city set on a hill.

Let us lift our hearts, our voices, our vision in the worship of God.

*Invocation

*The Lord's Prayer

Welcome and News of the Church

*Hymn: #304 "Jesus Calls Us, O'er the Tumult"

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

Children's Sermon

SPF Students

*Hymn: #517 "O God of Every Nation"

(children proceed to classes during the 1st stanza)

Pastoral Prayer

Pastoral Prayer Response: *As We Are Gathered*

Refrain
As we are gath-ered, Je - sus is here; one with each

Fine
oth - er, Je - sus is here. Joined by the Spir - it

to Refrain
built up in love, part of the bod - y, the church of God.

Scripture: Matthew 5: 13-16 (NT, pg. 4)

Mark 4: 35-41 (NT, pg. 37)

Sermon: TO RISK DELIGHT

The Rev. Dr. Steven R. Jungkeit

*Hymn: #364 "This Little Light of Mine"

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.

The flowers this morning are given by the family in loving memory of Sylvia Marsh and the spirits of creative women everywhere.

The hosts for fellowship hour are the Pinkowish and Stevens families.

The deacon on duty is Jane Stubenbord.

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.

THE ANNUAL MEETING

TODAY AFTER THE 11:00 AM SERVICE

The purpose of the meeting shall be:

TO RECEIVE THE REPORTS OF THE MINISTERS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES, AND THE CHURCH OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 2016;

- TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE;
- TO ELECT OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS FOR THE COMING YEAR;
- TO APPROVE THE CHURCH BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2017;
- AND TO CONDUCT SUCH OTHER OLD OR NEW BUSINESS AS SHALL PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE MEETING

Forum TODAY: **Art Meister**, a veteran of 24 years with the FBI, conducted and supervised large scale international criminal enterprise investigations. He also became Chief of the FBI's National Center for Analysis of Violent Crime, which provides behavioral crime analysis and threat assessment services to law enforcement agencies worldwide. In addition, he did important work for the White House in aviation security and revitalized the FBI's behavior-based computer system to ID and track perpetrators of serial murder and sexual assault. His recent book, The Bottom Line, a management primer for law enforcement supervisors, will be available. **February 5: Communion, no Forum. February 12: Karen Fischer**, Prevention Coordinator for more than six years at Lyme's Youth Service Bureau, coordinates our community coalition, Community Action for Substance Free Youth (CASFY). She has spent most of her long career working as a Mental Health Counselor and will provide an update on substance use rates among teens and current preventative methods. Valuable information for all caring adults.

American Red Cross CPR/First Aid Classes will be available on *February 25 and March 25, from 1-5 p.m.* in the teen room at FCCOL. The cost is \$27. This is a good course for anyone working with elderly persons, children or in any job where it is required. Please contact Cathy Mathis at 860-399-7714 to register.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD

Walts Pottery Studio presents its 15th annual SOUP BOWL SUPPER

Celebrating 15 years of food, fun and fellowship on *Friday, February 3rd*.
Soup served from 5:30pm - 7:00pm. \$15 buys you a handmade bowl and all the soup you can eat. All proceeds benefit the FCCOL food ministries.

Soups donated by local restaurants, music by the Jazz Circle,
and hand-crafted bowls donated by our very own Walt's Potters.

Growing Through Grief Group, Friday, February 3, 2017, 10:00 a.m. in the Hoag Parlor “Some people come into our lives and quickly go. Some stay for a while and leave footprints on our hearts and we are never, ever the same.” (C.C. Scott) There are many different kinds of loss and sharing ones’ feelings about grief and loss is essential to one’s mental and spiritual health. Come join our Growing Through Grief Group. New members are always welcome. Our next meeting will be Friday, February 3. And if this day or time does not work for you but you are still interested in the group or if would like to meet one-on-one, contact the Rev. Joan Priest (860-434-4629).

Film Screening Fundraiser, Connecticut College Committee on Refugee Relief and Education with Start Fresh of New London at Palmer Auditorium Evans Hall, Saturday, February 4 at 7:00 pm Think globally and act locally, learn about refugee conditions, support local families, join the dialogue.

Senior Pilgrim Fellowship 2017 Annual Trip to Haiti is scheduled for Friday, April 7, to Friday, April 14, 2017. This is the 4th annual trip led by Becky and Ted Crosby, founders of The Crosby Fund for Haitian Education. Priority is given to current SPF youth. After January 30th, the trip is open to youth from local churches and towns (youth must be in 9th to 12th grade). Any questions? Please email Becky at <rtcros@ftcrosby.com> or call 860-434-8054. The next meeting will be February 26th at 12:15 pm in the Sheffield Auditorium.

Sewing Group The LBS sewing group is back in full swing meeting Mondays from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm in the Sheffield Auditorium. New projects are underway and our inventory is available during our Monday work hours. Shop with us for those winter gifts! Some of the items on hand are: mittens, hats, ponchos, PJ bottoms, casserole carriers, crayon aprons, tote bags, quilts, baby blankets and more. Questions? Email: eunicetaylor@me.com or call Eunice at 860-447-3025.

Looking for Volunteer Drivers On occasion, the ministers are asked if there are any volunteers who are willing to drive one of our church members to a doctor’s appointment. This would not be a regular commitment. If you would be willing to be put on a list of volunteer drivers, please contact the church office or leave a message for Carleen Gerber or Joan Priest.

**The Midnight Run will be March 17th!
Please leave clothes on the stage in the Sheffield Auditorium
starting February 12.**

No Child Behind Bars: Living Resistance from the US to Palestine
Wednesday February 1st at 7:00 pm
Yale University Sudler Hall in
William L. Harkness Hall on Cross Campus New Haven

Combining grassroots community engagement with municipal boycotts, community actions, testimony, and education campaigns, “No Child Behind Bars: Living Resistance from the US to Palestine”, addresses state violence across its many faces, but it particularly intersects at the criminalization and detention of youth in Palestine and the U.S. The event focuses on the interests and powers that reinforce these systems, with the goal of destabilizing them and breaking them down.

Ahed Tamimi is a 15-year-old Palestinian, charismatic, and articulate. She will be sharing her story from her home in Nabi Saleh, Occupied West Bank, as her visa for this tour was denied. Amanda Weatherspoon, a Unitarian Universalist minister whose ministry is centered on collective liberation and cross-movement solidarity between oppressed peoples, will join us in person. These powerful women will identify the connection between state-sponsored violence and the criminalization and incarceration of youth in the United States and Palestine. Nadya Tannous, a writer and organizer in the San Francisco Bay Area who has researched the detention of Palestinian minors since 2013, will provide additional insight into the realities Palestinian minors face within the Israeli detention system. For more information contact Mary Tomassetti at 860-391-5384.

New Look for Our Website in January When people look for a church to join, they aren't looking for a building so much as they're looking for a community they can be a part of. We are a community of people of faith striving to live up to the example of Christ's life and teachings. We are a community that cares about the world we live in – whether it's right outside our door or half a world away. The new website will show our congregation in action, serving others – with lots of pictures and videos, and larger type. People will be able to see – not just read about – how we open our arms and our hearts to people in need. They will see how we help care for – and join in fellowship with – people of diverse faiths across the country and around the globe. It is our hope, too, that they will see their new home. Once the website launches and you encounter a problem or have a question, please contact John Kiker at FCCofOldLyme@gmail.com or 646-478-6760.

Honest Conversations with Muslim Neighbors Saturday, February 18th, 3:00 pm at the Berlin Mosque Who are our Muslim neighbors? What do they believe? How do extremist actions worldwide affect them? Hear greater-Hartford-area Muslims share their stories, and respond to questions. Together, in conversation, we can promote a more peaceful world for everyone. Carpool if you can. We will leave the church at 2:00 pm.

A SMALL GROUP OF THOUGHTFUL CITIZENS

***"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful citizens can change the world.
Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."***

--Margaret Mead

On this day of our church's Annual Meeting, we give thanks, and offer a note of hope:

We offer our heartfelt thanks to the 354 of you who have returned your commitment cards to the church. Your gifts will be used in support of the Stewardship campaign, that supplies over four-fifths of the funding for our church's life-changing ministries.

We express our fervent hope, if you have not yet returned your commitment card, that you will join this noble cause by mailing it in or calling the church office (860-434-8686) with your intention. Please be assured that whatever you can contribute will be deeply appreciated.

With our gratitude for your for your generosity - of time, talent, and resources,

The Board of Stewardship: Barbara Smith (Chair), Emily Griswold, Wendy Knight, Mike Long, Sandy Long, Chuck Lynch, Wayne Mountz, Paul Stigliano, Matt Winkler

Calendar of Events & Meetings for This Week

God's Neighborhood Sunday School *TODAY*.

Church Annual Meeting *TODAY after the 11:00 am service.*

Sewing Group *Monday, January 30th at 10:00 am* in the Sheffield Auditorium.

Writing Group *Wednesday, February 1st at 4:00 pm* in the Hoag Parlor.

Running Group *Wednesday, February 1st at 5:00 pm*, meets in the Sheffield Auditorium.

Senior Choir *Wednesday, February 1st at 7:30 pm* in the Sheffield Auditorium.

Grief Group *Friday, February 3rd at 10:00 am* in the Hoag Parlor.

Soup Bowl Supper *Friday, February 3rd at 5:30 pm* in Fellowship Hall.

Film Screening Fundraiser at Connecticut College *Saturday, February 4th at 7:00 pm.*

Board of Music & Arts Meeting *Sunday, February 5th at 10:00 am* in the Hoag Parlor.