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SUNDAY WORSHIP

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October 3, 2021

10:00 AM

Prelude

Introit: *The Lord's Prayer*

Walter L. Pelz

Lighting of the Candle

*Processional Hymn: #39 "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

*Call to Worship:

Deep inside us all - old and young alike -
There is a place of faith,
A place of trust and hope and love,
Without which there can be no peace.
Jesus said "Let the little children come unto me,
For to such belongs the kingdom of heaven."
With innocence of heart and unlimited hope,
With a trust that makes us vulnerable,
With a love that is easy and quick,
Let us worship God.

*Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

*Hymn: #367 "Break Not the Circle"

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem: *Be Thou My Vision*

John Rutter

*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 Message—Blessing of the Animals

Hymn: #364 "This Little Light of Mine"

(First verse only, as children leave outside to back parking lot. Congregation remains seated.)

Pastoral Prayer

Pastoral Prayer Response: *Spirit of the Living God*

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.

Scripture Lessons: Mark 2: 18-28

Sermon: **New Wine, Old Wineskins, and the Challenge of Starting Anew**

Rev. Dr. Steven R. Jungkeit

*Hymn: #241 "We Will Build Your Church, O Christ"

Benediction

Benediction Response: *Old Irish Blessing*

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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.

A Word About Masks: We are asking that everyone mask indoors in order to support health safety measures. So please come prepared, and we'll do our best to offer guidelines that make our life together as safe as possible.

Stewardship 2022 Campaign: As Steve reminded us on Stewardship Sunday, "Our work is not over. Now is a time of rebuilding." Now is a time to continue our work and we can only do it with your financial support. Please return your Commitment Card for 2022 as soon as you can to help forge The Way Ahead.

Donations Needed for Pilgrim Fellowship service trip to NYC on October 16th for the Breakfast Run. We'll be serving breakfast and offering some personal care items to people living on the street. We are collecting: winter hats, gloves, socks, underwear, and recycled bags. For food, we are collecting: potato chips, bottles of water, wax paper sandwich bags, fruit, and loaves of multigrain bread for sandwiches.

Habitat for Humanity Work Day, Saturday, October 16th: We're gathering volunteers for a day of home construction with Habitat for Humanity. We'll be working on a project in Norwich, where 10 homes are being constructed concurrently. We need a team of 10 to 12 volunteers who are willing to swing a hammer or help in other relevant ways. No construction expertise is necessary. If you're interested, please call the church office at 860-434-8686 and let Odile know.

Affordable Housing. Please take a moment to fill out the online survey being conducted by the Affordable Housing Committee of Old Lyme: www.surveymonkey.com/r/regionalhousingplan.

Help Create A Mural For Our Community! Public Art for Racial Justice Education (PARJE) is creating murals in four area towns. Old Lyme's mural will depict a table where many diverse people are welcomed. Sustainable Connecticut has offered a generous grant if we raise \$7,500 from 75 donors by Oct. 15th. Please help us if you can. For more information please see the weekly email update.

Crisis in the Southern Peninsula of Haiti: If you'd like to help with the crisis in southern Haiti, please consider a gift to the Haitian Health Foundation of Norwich, World Central Kitchen, Doctors without Borders or Mercy Corps. Thank you.

Calendar of Events and Meetings for This Week

Yoga Tuesday, October 5 at 5:30 pm in Sheffield Auditorium.

Pickin' Party Tuesday, October 5 at 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall.

Senior Choir Wednesday, October 6 at 7:30 pm in the Meetinghouse.

Bible Study Thursday, October 7 at 11:00 am on Zoom.

Yoga Thursday, October 7 at 5:30 pm in Sheffield Auditorium.

Church Council Thursday, October 7 at 7:00 pm on Zoom.