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SUNDAY WORSHIP

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October 10, 2021

10:00 AM

Prelude

Introit: *Lord God, Have Mercy*

Franz Schubert

Lighting of the Candle

*Processional Hymn: #407 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

*Call to Worship:

God calls us to worship, lifting our voices and our hearts in praise.

God calls us to worship, lifting our hands and our resources to serve.

God calls us to worship, when we are together and when we are alone.

God calls us to worship, in the sanctuary and in the world.

God calls us to worship, with our everyday choices, tasks and hopes.

God calls us to worship, in song and prayer and in doing justice and loving kindness.

Here we are, let us worship God together.

*Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

*Hymn: #395 "We Yearn, O Christ, for Wholeness"

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem: *O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee*

John Dressler

*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

Mary Bradford

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: *As We Are Gathered*

Refrain

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to Refrain

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

Scripture Lessons: Psalm 71:1-6; Jeremiah 6:16; Jeremiah 7:1-7

Sermon: **Seeking Soul in an ER World: The Sacred Art of Paying Attention**

Rev. Laura Fitzpatrick-Nager

*Hymn: #444 "Lord of All Hopefulness"

Benediction

Benediction Response: *Grant Us Thy Peace*

Felix Mendelssohn

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 Rhythm of the Saints: A Gathering of the Graces in Word, Song and Film

We'll have a community memorial service on Saturday, October 30th, at 2:00pm in the Meetinghouse to honor our members who have died since the start of Covid, and the nearly 700,000 US citizens who have died of Covid. After the service, we'll screen *City of a Million Dreams*, a documentary film by Jason Berry, about the black funeral tradition in the city of New Orleans. We'll have a chance to converse with Jason, as well as Dr. Michael White and another member of his traditional New Orleans Jazz Ensemble, featured in the film. On Sunday, October 31st, for our Sunday morning worship, Dr. White's ensemble will lead us in a sacred jazz service.

If you have a loved one you'd like named, please submit his or her name to the church office.

A Word About Masks and Covid Safety: We are asking that everyone mask indoors in order to support health safety measures. In addition, we will continue to open the Meetinghouse windows for proper ventilation, so please dress accordingly as the weather becomes cooler. 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're collecting: winter hats, gloves, socks, underwear, and recycled bags. For food: 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'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! 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.

Calendar of Events and Meetings for This Week

Yoga *Tuesday, October 12 at 5:30 pm* in Sheffield Auditorium.

Memorial: Pat McBeth *Tuesday, October 12 at 11:30 am* in the Meetinghouse.

Pickin' Party *Tuesday, October 12 at 6:00 pm* in Fellowship Hall.

Trustees *Tuesday, October 12 at 7:30 pm* in Sheffield Auditorium.

ARC Blood Drive *Wednesday, October 13 at 1:00pm* in Fellowship Hall.

Senior Choir *Wednesday, October 13 at 7:30 pm* in Fellowship Hall.

Bible Study *Thursday, October 14 at 11:00 am* on Zoom.

Yoga *Thursday, October 14 at 5:30 pm* in Fellowship Hall.

Habitat for Humanity *Saturday, October 16 at 8:30 am* in Norwich.