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## **SUNDAY WORSHIP**

Steven R. Jungkeit, Senior Minister Laura Fitzpatrick-Nager, Senior Associate Minister Carleen R. Gerber, Associate Minister Simon D. Holt, Director of Music

February 27, 2022 10:00 AM

Prelude

Introit: "Amazing Grace" arr. Patricia Sanders Cota Old Lyme Ringers

\*Processional Hymn: #80 "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

\*Call to Worship:

God is our refuge and our strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.

God makes wars cease to the ends of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear, he burns the shields with fire.

Be still, and know that I am God. Let us worship God.

\*Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

\*Hymn: #372 "Diverse in Culture, Nation, Race"

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem: *Hymns of Glory, Songs of Praise*Eugene Butler

\*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

Hymn: #364 "This Little Light of Mine"

(First verse only, as children leave. Congregation remains seated.)

Pastoral Prayer

Pastoral Prayer Response: Come and Fill Our Hearts



Scripture Lessons: II Chronicles 28: 8-15; Matthew 5: 21-24

Sermon: A World on the Brink: Some Lessons from a Minor Prophet

Rev. Dr. Steven R. Jungkeit

\*Hymn: #458 "Lord, Make Us Servants of Your Peace"

Benediction

Benediction Response: Cantique de Jean Racine

Fauré

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.

<u>Prospective Members Orientation:</u> There will be an orientation reception in the Library TODAY after the worship service for those wishing to become members this Spring, or for those who would simply like to learn more about our church.

March 6 Adult Forum: A new research reserve for Connecticut offers environmental solutions for our area: The recently established Connecticut National Estuarine Research Reserve — part of a nationwide system of estuaries and their surrounding wetlands — encompasses shoreline locations that include the Connecticut River Estuary. Following the March 6 service, Jamie Vaudrey, assistant research professor of marine sciences at UConn, will explain what the NERR is, how its planned research and education on weather patterns and water and habitat quality will benefit us, and how we can get involved.

<u>Tree of Life Journey:</u> Mark your calendars! The Tree of Life Journey, Teach Your Children Well, will be taking place this spring from March 8–20, 2022, and there are a few more seats available (with an optional extension to Turkey – March 20-28, 2022). For more information and application, please email us at www.tolef.org.

<u>The Partnership Store</u> across from the Fellowship Hall will be open following Sunday services. Haitian arts and crafts, Lakota jewelry and crafts, Palestinian crafts, soaps and olive oil, as well as handmade items from Ladies Who Stitch are all available for your shopping pleasure. Come shop with us - all proceeds go directly to charitable causes.

<u>Church World Service Blanket Drive</u>. The blankets are flame retardant, which makes them an excellent choice also for fire fighters and rescue personnel. The orange lightweight blankets can be used as a shield against the sun or to keep warm in a more temperate climate. People love the CWS blankets because they can be rolled up and be very compact for carrying around. Each blanket costs only \$10. Please make checks <u>payable to LBS</u>. For church attendees there are special CWS envelopes in the pews, which may be put in the offering plate or sent to the church c/o LBS. CWS is grateful for your generosity.

Calendar of Events and Meetings for This Week

Prospective Members Orientation TODAY after the worship service in the Library. LWS Monday, February 28 at 10:00 am in Sheffield Auditorium.

Yoga Tuesday, March 1 at 5:30 pm on Zoom.
Old Lyme Ringers Wednesday, March 2 at 6:30 pm in Sheffield Auditorium.
Ash Wednesday Service Wednesday, March 2 at 7:00 pm in the Meetinghouse.
Senior Choir Wednesday, March 2 at 7:30 pm in Fellowship Hall.
Bible Study Thursday, March 3 at 11:00 am on Zoom.

Yoga Thursday, March 3 at 5:30 pm on Zoom.
Adult Forum Sunday, March 6 following the 10am service in Fellowship Hall.