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SUNDAY WORSHIP

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March 13, 2022 10:00 AM

Prelude

Introit: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling arr. Mitchell and Sandra Eithun
Old Lyme Ringers

*Processional Hymn: #81 "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

*Call to Worship:

Your love breaking down barricades of hatred, O God.

Your peace melting permafrosted hearts. Your joy cascading over bleak resignation. Your patience bending the world slowly.

Your gentleness permeating even the most impermeable.

Your goodness towering above all evils.
Your kindness embracing our fear.
Your faith moving mountains.
Your spirit, Lord, is what we desire.

Let us worship God.

Welcome and Announcements

*Hymn: #97 "He's Got the Whole World"

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem: *Lo, a voice to heaven sounding* Dimitri Stephanovitch Bortniansky Ukranian composer arr. by Tchaikovsky

*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

^{*}Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

Pastoral Prayer Response: Spirit of the Living God



Scripture Lessons: Genesis 1: 27-31; Psalm 8: 1-5; Psalm 51: 1-5; Romans 5: 12-14

Sermon: Overcoming the Spider's Sting: Original Sin and its Discontents

Rev. Dr. Steven R. Jungkeit

*Hymn: #506 "O God, We Bear the Imprint of Your Face"

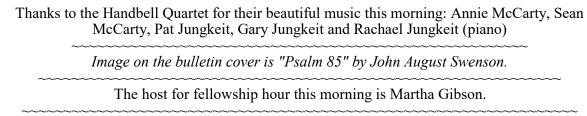
Benediction

Benediction Response: *God be in my head*John Rutter

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.



All This Sainted Difference Is What God Wants: The Beauty and Mystery of Abakua. Join us at 5:00pm for a presentation from Dr. Ivor Miller, a renowned scholar of the African diaspora. Ivor has done years of research into the secret world of Cuban Abakua, a new world tradition that is practiced mostly in Havana and Matanzas, but that has roots in Southern Nigeria and Cameroon. Ivor is the author of several books, among them "The Voice of the Leopard," about Abakua and its African cousins, and "Aerosol Kingdom," about early graffiti artists in New York City. It will be a special honor to hear from him. The Zoom link has been emailed.

<u>New Members</u> will be received in our worship service on April 3rd. Any questions? Give Steve or Laura or Carleen a call and we'll share a cup of coffee or a visit.

<u>Church World Service Blanket Drive</u>. Church World Service operates in many locations to help any refugees who arrive in the US. They are also working with refugees from the Ukraine, providing them with warm meals, clothing, blankets, shelter and helping them to adjust to life in this country. Each blanket costs only \$10. Please make checks <u>payable to LBS</u>. CWS envelopes are available in the pews. People who are not attending church may send their checks to the church, c/o LBS.

Relief Help for Ukraine. Earlier this week, the Board of Mission released \$3,000 to International Rescue Committee of New York, an organization our church has long supported for its work in the most difficult refugee settings around the world. IRC is already assisting the half-million Ukrainians who have crossed the border into Poland. If you would like to make a donation that could be included with mission money in the coming weeks, please send a check to the office, made out to FCCOL with Ukrainian Aid in the memo line. The UCC has designated AID Alliance as a recipient organization for relief funds. This seems like a very good opportunity as well. Please call Carleen at 860-434-0058 or 860-304-2070 if you'd like to ask any questions about these opportunities.

Calendar of Events and Meetings for This Week

New Orleans Pre-trip Meeting TODAY at 11:30 am in the Library.

All This Sainted Difference with Dr. Ivor Miller TODAY at 5:00 pm on Zoom.

LWS Monday, March 14 at 10:00 am in Sheffield Auditorium.

Board of Missions Tuesday, March 15 at 5:00 pm in the Library.

Old Lyme Ringers Wednesday, March 16 at 6:30 pm in Sheffield Auditorium.

Senior Choir Wednesday, March 16 at 7:30 pm in Fellowship Hall.

New Orleans Trip Departure Wednesday, March 16 at 2:30 pm at the church.

Bible Study Thursday, March 17 at 11:00 am on Zoom.

Grief Group Thursday, March 17 at 5:30 pm in the Library.