



**SUNDAY WORSHIP**

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

**March 27, 2022**

**10:00 AM**

Prelude

Introit: *Reflection on "Come, Thou Fount"*

arr. Sandra Eithun

Old Lyme Ringers and Rachael Jungkeit, piano

\*Processional Hymn: #10

"Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty"

\*Call to Worship:

Happy are those who experience the grace of God  
**Who find forgiveness and mercy from the Holy One.**  
Happy are those who experience the steadfast love of God  
**Who find peace even in times of trial.**  
Happy are those who experience rest in God  
**Who find sabbath to renew their spirit.**  
**Let us worship God.**

\*Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

\*Hymn: #54

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem: *He, Watching Over Israel*

Felix Mendelssohn

\*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: *Hear Our Prayer*

The image shows a musical score for a pastoral prayer response. It consists of four staves of music. The first two staves are for the vocal line, with the lyrics: "Hear our prayer, O God, hear our prayer, O God; in -". The last two staves are for the piano accompaniment, with the lyrics: "cline your ear to us, and grant us your peace." The music is in the key of D major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The vocal line is written in a soprano clef, and the piano accompaniment is written in a bass clef.

Scripture Lessons: Psalm 30; John 14: 1-4; Revelation 21: 9-14

Becky Crosby

Sermon: **Twelve Gates to the City: A Report from New Orleans**

Rev. Dr. Steve R. Jungkeit, Beth Hamilton, and Martha Gibson  
with music by Rodney Brown

\*Hymn: #427

"My Life Flows on in Endless Song"

Benediction

Benediction Response: *If ye love me*

Thomas Tallis

Postlude

\**Congregation Standing*

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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.



*Images on the bulletin cover are from our New Orleans Trip.*

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The host for fellowship hour this morning are Julie Martel and Fred Behringer.

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**New Members** will be received during our 10:00 am 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.

**Adult Forum**, on April 3rd after the 10:00 am service featuring Allison Behnke, Prevention Coordinator of the Lyme Youth Service Bureau.

**Book Club**, will meet on March 30th at 11:00 am (in person/on Zoom) to discuss Albert Nolan's, *Jesus Before Christianity*.

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**Church World Service Blanket Drive**: What difference does a blanket make by Sherry L. Byrnes: "Being alone and wishing for security, Blanket, you are our comforter. Living hard, no home of our own, Blanket, you are our carpet, our towel, our tablecloth and our cushion. Aching with fear and cold, Blanket, you are our warmth, our coat, our cover. Needing privacy, Blanket, you are our wall, our curtain, our shade. Knowing I can only take what I carry, Blanket, you are my carrier, my travel companion, my helper. Evening time, black night settles on my shoulders, Blanket, you are our shelter, our safety. Trusting - there are many who care, whose gifts travel far. Blanket, you are our lifeline: To the Lord and the people whose love you send." Each blanket costs only \$10. Please make checks payable to LBS. CWS envelopes are available in the pews. People who are not attending church may send their checks to the church c/o LBS. The Blanket Drive ends at the end of March.

**Relief Help for Ukraine**. The Board of Mission released an additional \$5,000 - making the total \$8,000 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 millions of Ukrainians who have crossed the border into Poland. If you'd 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.

**Habitat Build Day: April 9th** We're gathering volunteers for a day of home construction with Habitat for Humanity. Our next build day is April 9th. 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 email the church office for instructions.

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#### **Calendar of Events and Meetings for This Week**

**LWS Monday, March 28 at 10:00 am** in Sheffield Auditorium.

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

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

**Book Club Wednesday, March 30 at 11:00 am** in person/on Zoom.

**Bible Study Thursday, March 31 at 11:00 am** on Zoom.

**"Dear Evan Hansen" Friday, April 1 at 6:30 pm** departure from church.

**Adult Forum Sunday, April 3 at 11:30 am** in Sheffield Auditorium.

**New Members Sunday, April 3 at 11:30 am** in Fellowship Hall with Coffee Hour.