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SUNDAY WORSHIP

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May 1, 2022 10:00 AM

Prelude

Introit: O Master, let me walk with Thee John Dressler

*Processional Hymn: #242 "God of Life"

*Call to Worship:

As we enter this time of worship, we are invited to discard the internal pressures that ask us to perform, to put on brave fronts, to be what we are not.

We come in order to silence the voices that ask us to be perfect.

You do not have to do anything to earn the love contained within these walls. You do not have to be braver, smarter, stronger, better than you are in this moment to belong here.

We have only to bring the gifts of our bodies, no matter how able; our seeking minds, no matter how overwhelmed; our hearts, no matter how broken.

Bring all that you are, and all that you love, expecting that God will meet us as we do.

Let us worship God.

Welcome and Announcements

Sacrament of Baptism

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

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem: *Praise ye the Father*Charles Gounod

*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.)

^{*}Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Pastoral Prayer Response: Hear Our Prayer



Scripture Lessons: Matthew 6: 7-13

Sermon: Lead Us Not Into Temptation: Resisting the Logic of Violence

Rev. Dr. Steven R. Jungkeit

*Hymn: #413 "How Clear is Our Vocation, Lord"

Benediction

Benediction Response: Your voice, my God, calls me by name Erik Routley

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.

This morning we are pleased to celebrate the baptism of Alexander Zito, son of Gary and Jaren Zito, grandson of Nancy Gladwell.

<u>New London Homeless Hospitality Center</u> is looking for a vehicle donation for our medical respite program. This car will be used to assist homeless people, recently discharged from inpatient hospital care, to get to follow-up Doctor's appointments, pharmacy for medications or help with their housing search. It can be any type of car but should be in good working order. Thank you so much for your consideration.

Relief Help for Ukraine. At this point, our church has released \$15,000 to International Rescue Committee (IRC) for relief in Ukraine. IRC is working with local partners in Ukraine and Poland to support the evacuation of women and children and to provide food, blankets, warm clothes and cash assistance to people who have been forced to flee their homes. The church will continue to receive donations if you would still like to give. Please note "Ukraine Aid" in the memo line.

Wanna Try Pottery? Walt's Studio (located in the church basement), will have another open house on May 1 after Sunday Services from 11:30am to 2:00pm. Potters Betsy Copp, Paul Fitzpatrick-Nager and Wayne Kirk have been busy rearranging the space and adding new shelves for greater comfort. Class available Wednesday evenings 6:00-9:00 pm (5 classes starting May 11 – June 8). Cost \$100. Contact: Wayne.kirk@Collins.com.

Receive Ukrainian refugees: This past week, an announcement was released about ways that individuals and families can support Ukrainian refugees. Under a new program created by the Biden Administration called United for Ukraine, individuals can apply to host refugees in their homes. This is a departure from previous policies concerning refugee resettlement, a way to respond to the crisis quickly. There is an application process, in which applicants must demonstrate the ability to financially support an individual or family fleeing Ukraine. And there are safety and vetting processes at both ends of the application - for US hosts, and for Ukrainians - in order to prevent abuse and exploitation. If you're interested in learning more, or applying, visit the website: https://www.uscis.gov/humanitarian/uniting-for-ukraine

Calendar of Events and Meetings for This Week
Pottery Open House TODAY at 11:30 am in Walt's Studio.
LWS Monday, May 2 at 10:00 am in Sheffield Auditorium.
Yoga Tuesday, May 3 at 5:30 pm on Zoom.
SECWAC Tuesday, May 3 at 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall.
Blood Drive Wednesday, May 4 at 9:00 am in Fellowship Hall.
Senior Choir Wednesday, May 4 at 7:30 pm in Fellowship Hall.
Bible Study Thursday, May 5 at 11:00 am on Zoom.
Yoga Thursday, May 5 at 5:30 pm in Fellowship Hall.