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SUNDAY WORSHIP

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July 31, 2022

10:00 AM

Prelude

*Processional Hymn: #445 “Be Thou My Vision”

*Call to Worship:

Like an infant’s open-eyed wonder and the insights of a wise grandmother

Like a young person’s vision for justice

and the vitality that shines in a neighbor’s face,

Like tears that flow in a friend bereaved and laughter in a lover’s eyes,

You have given us ways of seeing O God, you have endowed us with sight like your own.

Let these be alive in us this day, Let these be alive in us.

Let us worship God.

(Adapted from Celtic Treasure, J Philip Newell)

*Invocation and The Lord’s Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

*Hymn: #62 “Heaven and Earth, and Sea and Air”

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Selection

*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

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Becky Crosby

Pastoral Prayer Response: *Spirit of the Living God*

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature has one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me; Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me." The music is written in a simple, accessible style suitable for congregational singing.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 84; Mark 10: 46-52

Bob McCracken

Sermon: **Take Heart: Love Comes in at the Eye**

Rev. Laura Fitzpatrick-Nager

*Hymn: #54 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

Benediction

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 welcome the Rev. Rebecca Crosby back to our pulpit. Becky served as our Associate Minister for seven years, and now volunteers full time as Executive Director of the Crosby Fund for Haitian Education. She also sings in our choir and leads our Bible Study.

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The hosts for Fellowship hour today are Martha Gibson and Susan Beeman.  
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Congratulations to Antoinette Brim-Bell, one of the Witness Stones poets, who has been named Connecticut's Poet Laureate succeeding Margaret Gibson. We are thrilled for her and our state! For more info:

https://portal.ct.gov/DECD/Content/Arts-and-Culture/Awards_Recognition/State-Poet-Laureate/Meet-the-Current-Poet-Laureate

New London Soup Kitchen: Once a month our church serves a meal at the New London meal site. Each board or committee within the church takes responsibility for preparing and serving the food. Occasionally, we find that we need a few volunteers who could make a casserole or perhaps help serve the meal. If you are *willing to be on a list of additional volunteers who could be called to help*, please call the church office at 860-434-8686 and let us know. "Many hands make light work" indeed.

Calendar of Events and Meetings

Blood Drive *Wednesday, August 11 at 9:00 am* in the Fellowship Hall.

Habitat Build Day *Saturday, August 13 at 8:30 am.*

Summer Sing *Sunday, August 14 at 10:00 am* Worship Service.