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SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT SUNDAY WORSHIP

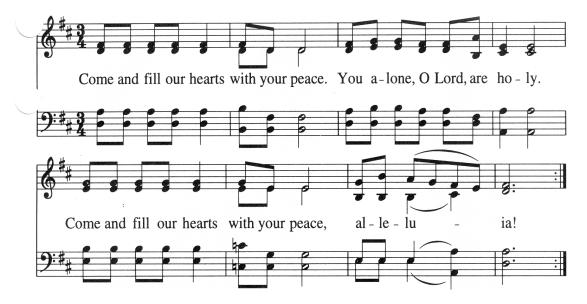
Steven R. Jungkeit, Senior Minister Laura Fitzpatrick-Nager, Senior Associate Minister Carleen R. Gerber, Associate Minister Simon D. Holt, Director of Music

December 4	, 2022	New Members Sunday	10:00 AM
Prelude			
Introit: Jesus Christ the Apple Tree			
*Processiona	ll Hymn: #115	"Comfort, Comfort Ye	My People "
*Call to Worship: For this precious moment, Spirit of God, may we let go. May we let go of our anxieties, our fears, our anger, our self-doubts, our regrets, our petty grievances, and our distractions. If only for this one second, then one minute, then one hour, then one day, may the Spirit of the Christ Child be born in our hearts and minds, showing the way toward those things that make for peace. Let us worship God.			
*Invocation and The Lord's Prayer			
Welcome and	Announcements		
Advent Wreath Lighting			The DaPonte/Lambrecht Family
Order for Reception of New Members			
Hymn: #144 "O Come Little Children" (Verse 1) (Children will leave for Sunday School. Congregation can remain seated.)			
Moment for S	stewardship		Audrey Brainerd
*Hymn: #	119 "Let	All Mortal Flesh Keep Sile	ence"
Offertory Inv	itation		
Offertory Anthem: Veiled in Darkness			Glenn L. Rudolph
*Doxology:	Praise God, all cro Praise God for all	whom all blessings flow; eatures here below; that love has done; nd Spirit, One. Amen.	

*Offertory Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Pastoral Prayer Response: Come and Fill Our Hearts



Scripture Reading: Isaiah 35: 8-10; Isaiah 40: 1-3; Isaiah 42: 16a

Sermon: On and Off Ramps of the Holy HighwayRev. Dr. Steven Jungkeit*Hymn: #118"Return, My People"BenedictionBenediction Response: This Is the Truth Sent From AbovePostludearr. R, Vaughan Williams*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. The hosts for Fellowship Hour today are Cathy Mathis, Jerry and Dencie Guindon and the Deacons.

TODAY some goodies remain from yesterday's 2-in-1 Christmas Sale. Stop in and shop, if you'd like, in Sheffield and Fellowship Hall.

Diaper Bank Saturday: Our final diaper distribution of 2022 will be December 10th. Adding diapers to your Xmas list would be a wonderful gift to babies and toddlers living in Old Lyme and the surrounding towns.

PF Breakfast Run, Saturday, December 10th PF is collecting socks, hats, gloves, gently used coats and toiletries for the Breakfast Run to NYC on December 10th. Bins in the CE office next to the elevator. Drivers meet at church by 6:15 to load cars for departure at 6:30 am for New York City. Please email Laura at lfitz.nager@gmail.com to confirm attendance and what you'll bring for breakfast/serve our guests.

Sunday, December 11th: Adult Forum "Living with Uncertainty" in Fellowship Hall following the service.

Tree of Life Journey Our upcoming Tree of Life journey is scheduled from February 15 to February 25, 2023. We will have the opportunity to go and witness for ourselves the inspiring work of Jewish, Christian and Muslim champions of human rights and voices of conscience in Palestine and Israel. Our travels will allow us to meet with our friends in Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Hebron and Nazareth who are eager to welcome us. After our sojourn in the Land of Promise, some will also take part in an extension to Saudi Arabia from February 25th to March 3rd. If you are considering taking part in this journey, please contact Rev. David W. Good, Founder of Tree of Life Education Fund and Minister Emeritus for FCCOL at davidwgood@fccol.org.

Ushers If you would like to usher, please step forward and tell the deacon at the door as you arrive. We appreciate your participation!

Calendar of Events and Meetings

LWS Monday, December 5 at 10:00 am in the Sheffield Auditorium.
Yoga Tuesday & Thursday at 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.
Deacons Tuesday, December 6 at 7:00 pm in the Library.
Senior Choir Wednesday, December 7 at 7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.
Bible Study Thursday, December 8 at 11:00 am in the Library and on Zoom.
Adult Forum Sunday, December 11 at 11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall.