



**The First Congregational Church of Old Lyme**  
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## SUNDAY WORSHIP

Steven R. Jungkeit, Senior Minister  
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Simon D. Holt, Director of Music

**March 5, 2023**

**10:00 AM**

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Prelude

Introit: *Canticle of Hope*

Cynthia Dobrinski  
Old Lyme Ringers

\*Processional Hymn: #260 “O Splendor of God's Glory Bright”

\*Call to Worship:

Let there be light...

**May it illuminate our paths and fill our lives with peace;**

And let there be dark...

**May it move us forward, compelling us toward growth;**

Through the many contrasts and contradictions that shape our days,

**May we trust that in the luminous dark, we too are works of creation,**

**Loved and graced by a Divine Word of goodness.**

**Let us worship God!**

\*Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

\*Hymn: #302 “Come to Me, O Weary Traveler”

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem: *Psalm 121*

John Ness Beck (1930-1987)

\*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

“Amen”

K-1 Class

Pastoral Prayer

Pastoral Prayer Response: *Come and Fill Our Hearts*

The musical score is written for a three-part setting in G major and 3/4 time. It consists of four staves: a vocal line (treble clef), a bass line (bass clef), and two piano accompaniment lines (treble and bass clefs). The lyrics are: "Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You a-lone, O Lord, are ho-ly. Come and fill our hearts with your peace, al-le-lu-ia!"

Scripture Reading: Matthew 25: 31-46; Romans 12: 3-7

Sermon: **The Sheep and the Goats: Considering a Strange Christian Idea**

Rev. Dr. Steven Jungkeit

\*Hymn: #395 "We Yearn O Christ, for Wholeness"

Benediction

Benediction Response: *O Lord, My God, to Thee* Jacques Arcadelt (c.1510-1568)

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.*

*The host for Fellowship Hour today is Cathy Mathis.*

**Inviting all LGBTQ Members at FCCOL:** ALL LGBTQ members of FCCOL are invited to a "Get Acquainted" Pot Luck Dinner on Saturday, March 11 at 5:30 PM in the Sheffield Hall at FCCOL. Who are we? Let's meet up and get acquainted! Please RSVP by calling or texting Danielle St. Germain at 860-823-8818 by Wednesday, March 8.

**Reminder: Day Light Savings Time begins *next Sunday, March 12* at 2:00 AM.  
Don't forget to set your clocks FORWARD 1 hour Saturday night.**

**Turkey/Syria Earthquake Response:** The Board of Missions has allocated \$4,000 to help victims of earthquakes in Turkey and Syria. An additional \$2,000 has been sent by members of the congregation. This week we will be forwarding the accumulated \$6,000 to IRC (International Rescue Committee) of New York to aid in the rescue support work they have already begun. If further donations are received, they will be forwarded as quickly as possible. Should you want to make an additional gift, please do so by sending your gift to the office as a check made out to FCCOL with "earthquake relief" in the memo line.

**Church World Service (CWS) Blanket Drive:** Church World Service also support their partners, such as the "East Department of Ecumenical Relations and Development" and "The Middle East Council of Churches" for their help with the earthquake survivors in Turkey and Syria. Warm blankets are urgently needed. Each blanket is 96" long and 40" wide. They are water repellent and can serve as small tents for shelter and privacy. They can be rolled up and carried in a backpack. Each blanket costs only \$10. Please make checks payable to LBS. Special envelopes are available in the pews and can be put in the offering plate or sent to the Church c/o LBS.

**Save the Date:** LBS Luncheons resume for the spring in March, Women's History Month, with a Luncheon program focused on Connecticut women in the sciences. The first Luncheon of the 2023 season will be on Tuesday, March 14, 12-2 pm. The luncheon meal and dessert will be followed at 1 pm by a program on Connecticut women who have shattered the glass ceilings long sheltering men working in science and health careers. Louisa Lacurci, Education Director for the Connecticut Women's Hall of Fame, will present an illustrated slide talk, followed by a Q-and-A discussion with the audience.

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#### **Calendar of Events and Meetings**

**LWS Monday, March 6 at 10:00 am** in Sheffield Auditorium.

**Blood Drive Tuesday, March 7 at 1:00 pm** in Fellowship Hall.

**Old Lyme Ringers Wednesday, March 8 at 6:30 pm** in Sheffield Auditorium.

**Senior Choir Wednesday, March 8 at 7:30 pm** in Fellowship Hall.

**Bible Study Thursday, March 9 at 11:00 am** in the Library.

**Trustees and Deacons Thursday, March 9 at 6:30 pm** in Fellowship Hall.

**LGBTQ+ Potluck Saturday, March 11 at 5:30 pm** in Fellowship Hall.