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## 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 12, 2023**

**10:00 AM**

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Prelude

Introit: *A Gaelic Blessing*

John Rutter (born 1945)

\*Processional Hymn: #6 “Bring Many Names”

\*Call to Worship:

Come, Love! Sing on!

**Let me hear you sing this song--**

Sing for joy and laugh, for I the Creator am truly subject to all creatures.

**Come let us worship God.**

-Mechthild of Madgeburg, medieval mystic

\*Invocation and The Lord’s Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

\*Hymn: #76 “As Longs the Deer (Psalm 42)”

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem: Lacrymosa (from Requiem)

W.A. Mozart (1756-1791)

\*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

Allison Hine

“Amen”

Congregation

Pastoral Prayer

Pastoral Prayer Response: *Spirit of the Living God*

The image shows a musical score for a pastoral prayer response. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat major or D minor) 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, hymn-like style with clear lyrics.

Scripture Reading: Exodus 17:1-7

Sermon: **Thirsting**

Rev. Issac Lawson

\*Hymn: #353

“Called as Partners in Christ's Service”

Benediction

Benediction Response: *Adoramus te, Christe (from Seven Last Words of Christ)*

Theodore Dubois (1837-1924)

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.*

We are delighted to welcome Rev. Issac Lawson to FCCOL today. Rev. Lawson is our Area Conference Minister for the Southern New England Conference of the United Church of Christ. He'll be at Fellowship Hour, too, so we hope you can come and introduce yourself.

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*The host for Fellowship Hour today is Cathy Mathis.*  
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**PF Youth Group (Middle and High School):** Join us in NYC on Saturday, March 25th for the 2 pm premiere of Alexander Zeldin's LOVE at the Park Avenue Armory. We'll carpool to the MetroNorth train in New Haven. Cost \$40.00 plus train fare. Tickets going fast! Email Laura to reserve tix at [lfitz.nager@gmail.com](mailto:lfitz.nager@gmail.com). More show details at: <https://armoryonpark.org>.

**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 forwarded 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.

**Diaper Bank Saturday:** 68 babies received diapers on March 4th. This included 19 babies wearing size 4! Our babies are growing and 16 requests were made for a size change this month. We are grateful that our inventory is accommodating these changes due to the generosity of our church members and friends.

**Newsletter Folder:** If you can spare about 3 hours once a month, we can use your help. The wonderful group of volunteers who folded and sorted the newsletter every month has dwindled. Fringe benefits include coffee and doughnuts, and camaraderie! Please call Odile in the office if you can help. Thank you!

**Church World Service (CWS) Blanket Drive:** 220 tornadoes were confirmed this year. Alabama, Iowa, Illinois and Oklahoma were especially hard hit. Church World Service immediately provided help with cleanup buckets, hygiene kits, blankets and baby kits. The blankets are especially appreciated for their warmth, comfort and privacy by people who have lost everything. Each blanket costs only \$10. Please make checks payable to LBS. Special envelopes are available in the pews and may be put in the offering plate or sent to the Church c/o LBS.

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

**LBS Luncheon** *Tuesday, March 14 at 12:00 pm* in Fellowship Hall.

**Missions** *Wednesday, March 15 at 5:00 pm* in the Library.

**Old Lyme Ringers** *Wednesday, March 15 at 6:30 pm* in Sheffield Auditorium.

**Senior Choir** *Wednesday, March 15 at 7:30 pm* in Fellowship Hall.

**Bible Study** *Thursday, March 16 at 11:00 am* in the Library.

**TOLEF Meeting** *Friday, March 17 at 5:00 pm* at the Berlin Mosque.

**New Orleans Trip** *Friday, March 17.*