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SUNDAY WORSHIP

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April 23, 2023

10:00 AM

Prelude

Introit: *Cantate Domine*

G.O. Pitoni (1657-1743)

*Processional Hymn: #26

“Praise to the Lord”

*Call to Worship:

We know we are on our pilgrimage here but a brief moment in time.

And so we open ourselves, here, now,

To the process of becoming more whole —

Of living more fully;

Of giving and forgiving more freely;

Of understanding more completely.

Let us worship God.

*Invocation and The Lord’s Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

*Hymn: #212

“Sing of One Who Walks Beside Us”

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem: Happy and Blest are They

F. Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

*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

Elsbeth Dowd

Heleluyvan, Native hymn

While hymn is being sung, children and youth are invited to proceed downstairs to
God’s Neighborhood for Sunday School.

Pastoral Prayer

Pastoral Prayer Response: *Hear Our Prayer*

The image shows a musical score for a pastoral prayer response. It consists of four staves of music. The top two staves are for the vocal line, and the bottom two are for the piano accompaniment. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Hear our prayer, O God, hear our prayer, O God; incline your ear to us, and grant us your peace." The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with a mix of quarter and eighth notes.

Scripture Reading: Acts 2:14a, 36-41 ; I Peter 1:17-23 ; Luke 24:13-35

Sermon: **The Dawning of a New Day**

Rev. Paul Verryn

*Hymn: #404 "Love Divine All Loves Excelling"

Benediction

Benediction Response: *Peace I Leave With You*

Matthew Glandorf (born 1972)

Postlude

**Congregation Standing*

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*We are very pleased to welcome back to our pulpit this morning our partner  
from South Africa, the Rev. Paul Verryn.*

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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 welcome The Rev. Paul Verryn as our preacher this morning. Paul has been a friend of our congregation for almost 35 years, and has visited with us almost every year throughout that time. He has been with us now for almost three weeks, serving as our Theologian in Residence; leading us in Bible studies and sharing in our worship. We are grateful for his friendship, his leadership and his wisdom. He returns to South Africa tomorrow. We wish him safe travels and look forward to his return to be with us again in the future.

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*The host for Fellowship Hour today is Kristen Clark.*  
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Adult Forum: Following the service, there is an Adult Forum discussion in **Sheffield Auditorium**. Through extensive scientific research and real life application, Dr. Lisa Miller will show how and why spirituality heals and how to engage it in our lives in *The Awakened Brain*.

Haitian Dinner: The LBS will once again host the annual Haitian Dinner TONIGHT at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. The authentic Haitian Dinner is catered by *Mommy's Restaurant* in Norwich. After the dinner at 6:30 pm, Becky Crosby will offer an update on their work in education in Haiti, the current situation in Haiti, and how it affects their work. Haitian art will be for sale. A donation of \$10.00 per person is suggested, and all the proceeds will support The Crosby Fund for Haitian Education.

The Lyme Refugee Resettlement Committee is looking for people to help with new refugees coming to our community in the near future. We offer help in many ways to get the family settled in Old Lyme at a home owned by FCCOL. If interested, please call Joe Cipparone at (860) 912-7161 or Robin Sedgwick at (860) 434-2114. You can also join us at the next meeting of the Committee on Wednesday, 4/26/23, at 10 am at the St. Ann's Episcopal Church. You will get a sense of the needs of refugee families and how you might help.

New Members Orientation: Interested in learning more about FCCOL and church membership? Join us for a welcome orientation after church on Sunday, May 7th, at 11:30 am in the library. New Member Sunday will be May 14th at the 10:00 am service. If you are unable to attend and would like more information, feel free to contact any of the ministers.

White Elephant Sale: Get out your calendars out and mark these dates – **Friday, July 14th from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm** and **Saturday, July 15th from 8:00 am - Noon**. This is a good time of the year to sort through the cellar and attic to put aside some of those treasures for this year's sale. Hold those goodies until first intake day, **Thursday June 29th**. Last year was our 3rd biggest ever after Covid so hoping for better things this year.

Calendar of Events and Meetings

Adult Forum TODAY at 11:30 am in Sheffield Auditorium.

Haitian Dinner TODAY at 5:00 pm in Fellowship Hall.

LWS Monday, April 24 at 10:00 pm in Sheffield Auditorium.

Grief and Loss Group Wednesday, April 26 at 5:30 pm in Hoag Parlor.

Senior Choir Wednesday, April 26 at 7:30 pm in Fellowship Hall.

Bible Study Thursday, April 27 at 11:00 am in the Library and on Zoom.