



“And now here is my secret, a very simple secret: It is only with the heart that one can see rightly; what is essential is invisible to the eye.”

-Antoine de Saint-Exupéry, The Little Prince

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

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Carleen R. Gerber, Associate Minister
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May 21, 2023

Youth Sunday

10:00 AM

Prelude: Malagueña by Ernesto Lecuona performed by Noah Brandt

*Processional Hymn: #98 “God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale”

*Call to Worship Augie Jungkeit, Colton Lodge, Devon Kiem

Creator God of the Universe,

Creator have mercy.

Blessings on our oceans filled with sea life and connecting our world.

Creator have mercy.

Blessings on our glaciers and ice caps, home to penguins and polar bears.

Creator have mercy.

Blessings on our coral reefs which are dying because of human activity.

Creator have mercy.

Blessings on our rivers, lakes, and streams, filled with rainbow trout, eels, and yellow bullheads.

Creator have mercy.

Come friends, let us worship God.

*Invocation Drysile Kazadi, Ellison Lodge, Sofia Noti

*The Lord’s Prayer, Native American translation:

O Great Spirit, our Father/Mother from above, your name is sacred and holy.

Bring your good road to us, where the beauty of your ways in the spirit-world
above is reflected in the earth below.

Provide for us day by day—the elk, the buffalo, and the salmon. The corn,
the squash, and the wild rice. All the good things we need for each day.

Release us from the things we have done wrong in the same way we
release others for the things done wrong to us.

And guide us away from the things that tempt us to stray from your good road.”

- *Luke 11:2b-4, First Nations Version: An Indigenous Translation of the New Testament*

Welcome and Announcements

Welcome/Overview of Service

Steve Jungkeit

Youth Welcome

Maeve Gosman and Miles Coppola

Announcements

McCoy Gosman and Ace Bairos

Presentation of Bibles

Mary Bradford and ministers

*Hymn: “I’ve Got Peace Like a River” by Lynda Randall as performed by the
Kindergarten and Grade 1 Class, led by Rachael Jungkeit

Kindergarten and Grade 1 Class

Reading of *What is God Like?* by Matthew Paul Turner and Rachel Held Evans

Messages from Grades 2 – 3 class

Offertory Prayer

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem: Jubilate Deo

Orlando di Lasso (1532 - 1594)

*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.

Dedication of Gifts

Ella Kiem, Annabelle Coppola, Ace Barrios

Joys and Concerns

Julia Clark, Elsa Jungkeit and Taylor Quintin

What we did in Sunday school this year:

Presentation of Marine Life Projects - students from the 4 – 6 grade class

Colton Lodge, Ellison Lodge, & Sofia Noti

Skit by students in grade 2 – 3

Song: “Sisi Ni Moja” by Jacob Narverud, The students of God’s Neighborhood led by
Rachael Jungkeit

Scripture: Walking on Water, Matthew 14:22-32 from First Nations Version: An
Indigenous Translation of the New Testament, WATER WALKER

Introduction

Anna Bjornberg

Right away Creator Sets Free (Jesus) had his followers get into the canoe and go ahead of him to the other side of the great lake, while he sent the people back to their homes. After that he went up into the mountainside to be alone while he sent his voice to the Great Spirit. He stayed there and prayed as the sun set and the stars came out. His followers were still in the canoe, far from land. The wind blew strong against them, and the waves pounded the canoe and began to toss it about. Late into the night, just before the morning light, Creator Sets Free (Jesus) When his followers saw him, then cried out in terror, “It is a ghost-spirit!” But he heard their cries and called out to them, “Do not fear, take heart. It is I.” “Wisdomkeeper, is it you?” Stands on the Rock (Peter) shouted back to him. “If so, tell me now to come to you on the water.” “Come!” he said to him without any hesitation. With reckless abandon, Stands on the Rock (Peter) climbed over the side of the canoe and began to walk on the water toward him. The wind howled and the waves splashed against him as he made his way toward Creator Sets Free (Jesus). But when he felt how strong the wind was, fear took hold of him. He began to sink and cried out, “Wisdomkeeper, save me!” Creator Sets Free (Jesus) quickly reached out and took hold of him. “Man of small faith,” he said, “what made you hold back and doubt me?” The wind stopped blowing and the waves grew still as they climbed into the canoe. All twelve of his message bearers gave honor to him, saying, “Truly, you are the Son of the Great Spirit.”

Performed by:

Narrator: Maeve Gosman
Jesus: Anna Bjornberg and Miles Coppola
Peter: Ellison Lodge
Apostles: The Company of God's Neighborhood
Weather: Colton Lodge, Augie Jungkeit, Devon Kiem

Scripture Conversation: **Connecting to Our Lives** Rev. Laura Fitzpatrick-Nager

Musical Selection

"Glorious" by Stephanie Mabey

Elsa Jungkeit, Julia Clark, Delaney Donovan, Joe Kazadi, Ellison Lodge, Sofia Noti

Reflections: Joe Kazadi, Delaney Donovan, Drysile Kazadi, Maeve Gosman

Gift presentation: Elsbeth Dowd & Gavin Lodge

*Hymn: #63 "All Things Bright and Beautiful"

Benediction: Julia Clark and the members of God's Neighborhood

Postlude

**Congregation Standing*

We thank Gavin K. Lodge, our Youth Sunday Director

Please pardon any unintentional omissions or errors.

Additions and changes to the cast may have been made without notice.

God's Neighborhood offers special thanks to the parents, teachers, helpers, friends and guides. In addition we are thankful for the support and patience of our ministers, staff and our congregation.

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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.*

*It was with sadness that we learned of the death of Franklin Delanuez, owner of A&G Cleaning services, last week. His death was unexpected and very sudden. Franklin and his crew of hard workers, including his wife Yolanda, have been indispensable to all of us for the past fourteen years, for keeping our church home clean and inviting. We will all miss him.*

*Franklin was a friendly presence here several days a week; most importantly in conjunction with the busy days of our Saturday food pantry ministry. If you would like to make a gift in honor of Franklin's life, we suggest a gift to the Food Pantry Fund of FCCOL. If so, please send a check to our office, made out to FCCOL with "Franklin" in the memo line. Yolanda, will receive a listing of all who gave. Should you want to write to Yolanda, her address is as follows: Yolanda Delanuez, 6 Baltic Road, Norwich, CT 06360.*

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*The hosts for Fellowship Hour today are Wendy Knight and Susan Mountz.*  
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**God's Neighborhood:** Thank you to all of our families, teachers, students and volunteers who helped make this year's youth ed programming a wonderful communal journey! The nursery will be open on Sundays throughout the summer except during the White Elephant Sale. Arts and Crafts are available in Sheffield Auditorium during summer services for K-5th grade. We will resume Sunday School for the new academic year starting on Homecoming Sunday, September 10th at the 10 am service.

**Witness Stones Clean-Up:** Please consider joining us after church on Sunday, May 28th at 11:30 am as we clean and polish the brass plaques of the Witness Stones found in front of our church and a few sites on Lyme Street. Materials and snacks provided! Sign up in Fellowship Hall after church TODAY! If you'd be willing to spend an hour with us, please email Laura at [lfitz.nager@gmail.com](mailto:lfitz.nager@gmail.com)! We're preparing them for our next Witness Stones Installation ceremony at the Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library on June 2nd at 10:00 am. Further information at [www.witnessstonesoldlyme.org](http://www.witnessstonesoldlyme.org).

**Box Night** is here! Saturday night June 3rd, PF Youth Group and friends (7th-12th graders) are invited to learn more about the issues confronting those who are homeless and looking for affordable housing. Program begins at 6:00pm with dinner and guests from the Homeless Hospitality Center along with preparing a service project. Our youth will sleep overnight on the church lawn in boxes or tents and share breakfast the next morning. To participate, contact Laura at [lfitz.nager@gmail.com](mailto:lfitz.nager@gmail.com).

### **Donating Large Furniture for the White Elephant Sale [July 14th and 15th]**

We are LIMITING the amount of large furniture that we will accept this year. We are NOT planning any pickup service due to manpower scheduling and conflicts. If you do have a piece to donate and are wondering whether we will accept, please call the office 434-8686 anytime night or day and hit the WES call back line - leave a message with all the particulars. We will contact you to discuss your large furniture donation.

The emphasis is on clean, QUALITY items.

- NO sofa beds, stuffed couches/chairs, dining room sets or particle board furniture.

**For all other items** –see the Church website to see what we can accept when gathering your items – "Quality Please" and organizing prior to drop off will be very helpful. Bring those donations to the church starting Thursday, June 29th. If you want to be a volunteer leave your name and number on the same call back line, we will get back to you or just show up on intake days and we will find a spot for you.

**We WILL NOT accept:**

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| Dirty or Broken Items or Junk                | Luggage [old hard sided]      |
| Appliances (Large):                          | Gas cans with Gas or kerosene |
| Air Conditioners                             | Guns, Knives, Weapons         |
| Refrigerators, freezers & Stoves             | Magazines, Newspapers         |
| Washers & Dryers                             | Mattresses or Box Springs     |
| Bike helmets [used - safety concerns]        | Paint                         |
| Books: Technical or Textbooks, Encyclopedias | Phones                        |
| Car Seats - safety liability                 | Rugs [used]                   |
| Cribs used - safety liability                | Scanners                      |
| Chemicals                                    | Stereo equipment, Speakers    |
| Computers, monitors & software               | Skis –old style downhill      |
| Furniture - stuffed sofa/chairs or sofa beds | Stuffed animals [used]        |
| Furniture - particle board                   | Tires                         |
| Furniture - Dining Room sets                 | Treadmills                    |
| Lamps [floor or table]                       | TVs [all styles]              |

**We GLADLY Accept [Quality Please!!!!]**


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| Antiques, Fine China, Silver               | DVD's (Family Content)                              |
| Appliances, Small (Working)                | Furniture [Not on the 'can not accept' list]        |
| Art, Sculpture, Posters, Frames            | [call church office if a question 434-8686]         |
| Baskets                                    | Gifts, Sundries, Knickknacks                        |
| Bedding, Linens                            | Jewelry: Costume & Fine                             |
| Boats, Canoes, Kayaks                      | Kitchen Items (Appliances, Dishes, Cookware)        |
| Bicycles, Tricycles                        | Luggage [soft sided or Steamer trunks only]         |
| Books: Children's', Non-Fiction, Fiction   | Musical Instruments                                 |
| Christmas & Holiday decorations            | Plants, Containers                                  |
| Clothes: Children's, Men's, Women's        | Shoes                                               |
| Clothes: Fine, Fashion                     | Skis [downhill ones must be “ <u>shape</u> ” style] |
| Clothes: Vintage, Costume, and Accessories | Sporting Goods [good condition]                     |
| Collections                                | Tools (House & Garden)                              |
| Curtains, Drapes                           | Toys and New Stuffed Animals                        |



## JUNE

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| <b>25</b>  | <b>26</b>  | <b>27</b>  | <b>28</b>  | <b>29</b><br>INTAKE<br>9:00 - 2:00                                                                | <b>30</b><br>INTAKE<br>9:00 - 2:00<br><b><u>Workers Lunch</u></b>                             | <b>1</b><br>INTAKE<br>9:00 - 2:00                             |

## JULY

| <i>Sun</i> | <i>Mon</i>                                                                                                                     | <i>Tue</i>                                                                                                                        | <i>Wed</i>                                                                                          | <i>Thu</i>                                                                      | <i>Fri</i>                                                       | <i>Sat</i>                                                                                      |
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| <b>2</b>   | <b>3</b><br>CLOSED<br>Sort & Price                                                                                             | <b>4</b><br>HOLIDAY<br>                          | <b>5</b><br>INTAKE<br>9:00 - 2:00                                                                   | <b>6</b><br>INTAKE<br>9:00 - 2:00                                               | <b>7</b><br>INTAKE<br>9:00 - 2:00<br><b><u>Workers Lunch</u></b> | <b>8</b><br>CLOSED<br>Sort & Price                                                              |
| <b>9</b>   | <b>10</b><br>CLOSED<br>Sort & Price<br><br>for sale.<br>Move art to<br>Narthax<br><br>Clean up and<br>Finalize inside<br>setup | <b>11</b><br>During Day<br>Big Tens & Sport<br>Goods<br><br>5-7 pm<br>Outside tables, Plant,<br>Baked Good, Coffee<br>Tents Go up | <b>12</b><br>CLOSED<br>Sort & Price<br><br><b>Finalize any<br/>remaining<br/>outside<br/>Set-up</b> | <b>13</b><br>SET-UP<br><b>OUTSIDE</b><br>8 AM -><br><b><u>Workers Lunch</u></b> | <b>14</b><br><b>SALE</b><br>9:00 - 2:00                          | <b>15</b><br><b>SALE</b><br>8:00–<br>12:00<br><br>CLEANUP<br>& Snacks<br><b>12:00 -&gt;&gt;</b> |

### West Africa Journey: December 29, 2023 - January 11, 2024:

For the past several years (and much longer, really), the FCCOL community has been on a journey of discovery about the legacy of colonialism and enslavement in New England. In our Stories from the Deep North series, and in the ongoing work of the Witness Stones, we have come to know the stories of many who were brought to the Southern New England Coast from West Africa, or from the Caribbean. And we have learned, via Tom DeWolf, how one of the largest slaving empires in the United States emerged from a family who got their start in Old Lyme. Throughout, we have become acutely aware of the ways Africa, the Caribbean, and New England have been intimately connected, far more so than we previously understood or acknowledged.

In keeping with all we have learned, and in a line of continuity with each of our Mission Partnerships, FCCOL will embark upon a journey to West Africa later this year, to Ghana, Togo, and Benin. There, we'll have the opportunity to consider the ongoing legacy of the trans-Atlantic slave trade, visiting the Elmina and Cape Coast fortresses in Ghana. We'll ask how that legacy continues to haunt our own country, and indeed, our own community, even as we consider the international ramifications of that historic rupture. But in all three countries, we'll have the opportunity to witness something further: the ways traditional African religions and cultures have not only survived in the midst of such horrific suffering, but the ways those traditions have thrived. From the Ashanti kingdom in Ghana to Vodun ceremonies in Benin, we'll be invited to witness the healing arts of these traditions, including their stunning visual and aural beauty, and their powerful insights into the human story. We'll study the ecological significance of these traditions. And we'll consider the many ways that such ritual and religious expressions have actually helped to make America (and within America, the United States) what it is. Whether in music, food, religion, fashion, language, sports, or the visual arts, we'll come to understand how the African traditions we'll explore have shaped the world around us.

This is an extraordinary and rare opportunity. It will require a good deal of preparation, as we read together, talk together, and think together about how to enter such an experience with the reverence and care that shall be required of us. It promises to be life changing.

Space is limited. In order to function well, our group needs to remain fairly small. If you're interested in learning more, email Steve at [steven@jungkeit.net](mailto:steven@jungkeit.net).

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

**LWS** *Monday, May 22 at 10:00 pm* in Sheffield Auditorium.

**Deacons** *Tuesday, May 23 at 7:00 pm* in the Library.

**Grief and Loss Group** *Wednesday, May 24 at 5:30 pm* in Hoag.

**Senior Choir** *Wednesday, May 24 at 7:30 pm* in Sheffield Auditorium.

**Bible Study** *Thursday, May 25 at 11:00 am* in the Library and on Zoom.

**Adult Forum** *Sunday, May 28 at 11:30 am* in Sheffield Auditorium.

**Office Closed** *Monday, May 29.*