

The First Congregational Church of Old Lyme 2 Ferry Road Old Lyme, Connecticut (860) 434-8686

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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

June 11, 2023 10:00 AM

Prelude

Introit

\*Processional Hymn: #18 "Praise to the Living God"

\*Call to Worship:

We come to this moment of worship as people dedicated to growing our faith.

May our time together help to burn away the misconceptions we have been taught, leading us to glow instead with the humility of learning.

May it reignite our dreams for a better world, and kindle our joy for simple living.

May its power extend us into the forgotten alleyways of exclusion,
and bring us home to love, to welcoming, and to all the challenges,
the questions, and the blessings of this path toward
becoming a beloved community.

Let us worship God!

"I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry"

Welcome and Announcements

Sacrament of Baptism

Fiadh Suzanne Borton

\*Hymn: #327

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem

\*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

Pastoral Prayer

<sup>\*</sup>Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

Pastoral Prayer Response: Come and Full Our Hearts



Readings: Psalm 29 (Selected Verses); Acts 17: 22-28; I Corinthians 1: 20-25

Sermon: What We Speak About When We Speak About God

Rev. Dr. Steven R. Jungkeit

\*Hymn: #6 "Bring Many Names"

Benediction Response

Postlude

\*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.

# **Scripture Readings**

## Psalm 29 (Selected Verses)

The voice of the Lord is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders over mighty waters.
The voice of the Lord is powerful;
the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.
The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars;
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.
The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire.
The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;
The voice of the Lord causes the oaks to whirl
and strips the forest bare, and in his temple all say, "Glory!"
The Lord sits enthroned over the flood;
the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.
May the Lord give strength to his people!

#### Acts 17: 22-28

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely spiritual you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all peoples to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps fumble about for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we, too, are his offspring.'

#### I Corinthians 1: 20-25

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scholar? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of the proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews ask for signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

| This morning we are pleased to celebrate the baptism of Fiadh | Suzanne Borton, |
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| daughter of Kyle and Sarah Borton.                            |                 |

The host for Fellowship Hour today is Kristen Clark.

The Nursery is open today with Miss Kim. Children in grades K-5 are welcome to join in arts and crafts held in Sheffield Auditorium during the service.

**The Partnership Store** will be open TODAY. The Partnership Store, which includes wonderful things from Haiti, Palestine, and Tribal Crafts as well as LWS handwork, offers guilt-free shopping since all proceeds go directly to the artisans and/or FCCOL programs and missions.

**Tree of Life Journey to the Holy Land!** Please join us after the service TODAY to learn more about this journey, January 2 to 13, 2024 with an optional extension to Bosnia, January 13 - 19. Ghoufran Allababidi and David Good will be available to share more information and to answer questions. We'll meet in the church library immediately following the service. ALL ARE WELCOME!

<u>Message from our Director of Music, Simon Holt to all members of the Senior Choir</u> Thank you for your wonderful singing at FCCOL this season! You have worked so hard and your singing has really enhanced our services. It's very much appreciated.

**Now, to everyone reading this;** It's Your Turn!! This summer we will be holding two more Summer Sings, or better known as "Turn up to FCCOL at 9:15am and rehearse for the 10:00am service, and yes, it feels like the seat of your pants singing, but oh, what fun we'll have" Sundays! These will take place on **July 9 and August 13**. Please mark your calendars! I hope many of you will join us!

## White Elephant Sale [July 14th and 15th]

White Elephant Sale -- Sale hours: Friday, July 14th from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm and Saturday, July 15th from 8:00 am - Noon. Check out the church website for more information or call the church office 434-8686 and select the White Elephant line to leave a voice message to volunteer.

# SAVE this DATE - Saturday June 24th - INSDIDE set-up Day -!!!

In 2 weeks, we will be setting up the Sheffield, Fellowship and Sunday school areas for the WES. Need folks at 8:00 am to begin unloading the parsonage barn of tables, shelves, clothes racks, etc.; 9:00 am to unload the trucks and setup inside the church facility. Please drop by for an hour or two and give us a hand. If we have enough folks we will be done in 3 hours - Thanks

### **Help Wanted**

- Large furniture co chair
- Children's clothes folks to sort and organize
- Parking Attendants sale days at the CTK and Ludington parking lots
- Package check good job for the jr high kids to check, store and then retrieve purchases during sale days
- Worker refreshments good job for jr high kids mix ice tea, etc. and bring trays of drinks around to departments during sale days [contact office]
- Intake needs a daily staff of 6-8 folks to unload cars and sort donations 6/29 to 7/1 and 7/5 to 7/7 from 9-2 pm. Please call Betsy Webster to volunteer 434-9457 or just come down those days and stay as long as you can. Great way to meet folks.

#### JUNE

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| Sun      | Mon | Тие | Wed | Thu   | Fri  | Sat   |
| 18       | 19  | 20  | 21  | Pre SET-UP INSIDE [hang signs move tables, etc] | 23 Pre SET-UP INSIDE [milk creates, tubs, etc] | 24<br>SET-UP <u>INSIDE</u><br>[9:00 am – 12:00] |
| 25       | 26  | 27  | 28  | 29<br>INTAKE<br>9:00 - 2:00                     | 30<br>INTAKE<br>9:00 - 2:00<br>Workers Lunch   | 1<br>INTAKE<br>9:00 - 2:00                      |

# **JULY**

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

Attention all bakers!! The White Elephant Sale needs your baking talents! We are looking for your amazing baked goods – pies, cakes, cookies, scones, muffins, etc., to sell to hungry WES shoppers. Label your contributions with it's name and if it is gluten-free, nut-free. Please indicate if it contains nuts. Deliver your delicious baked goods to the church kitchen Thursday afternoon July 13th or to the bakery booth between 7:30a-9a on Friday, July 15th. Runners will be available to come to your car to take your baked goods. Please call or email Kristen and Julia Clark with any questions at 203-530-8360 or dave.kristen@yahoo.com.

**Juneteenth Celebration of Jazz & Poetry.** In honor of Juneteenth—a federal holiday that commemorates the emancipation of enslaved African Americans—the celebration will take place on Saturday, June 17 at 2 pm on the lawn of The Side Door at the Old Lyme Inn (located at 85 Lyme St, Old Lyme CT).



# Where the River Meets the Sound: A Celebration of Sacred Afro-Cuban Music in

featuring the Román Díaz Rumba Ensemble, Lázaro Galarraga & Sandy Perez

Old Lyme

Sunday, June 18, 10 a.m.
First Congregational Church of Old Lyme
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Image: Elegua at the Crossroads by Vincenta Casteñeda "Angarica" of Havana

## **Calendar of Events and Meetings**

LWS Monday, June 12 at 10:00am in Sheffield Auditorium.

Trustees Tuesday, June 13 at 7:30 pm in the Library.

Bible Study at Essex Meadows Friday, June 16 at 11:00 am at Essex Meadows.

Juneteenth Celebration Saturday, June 17 at 2:00 pm at Old Lyme Inn.

When the River Meets the Sound Sunday, June 18 at the 10:00 am Worship Service.

Office Closed Monday, June 19.