

**The First Congregational Church of Old Lyme**  
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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 25, 2023**

**10:00 AM**

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Prelude

\*Processional Hymn: #407 “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

\*Call to Worship (from Meditations of the Heart by Howard Thurman):

Our dreams must be saddled by the hard facts of our world before we ride them off  
among the stars.

**Thus, they become for us the bearers of the new possibility,  
the enlarged horizon, the great hope.**

Even as they romp among the stars they come back to their place in our lives,  
bringing with them the radiance of the far heights, the lofty regions,  
**and giving to all our days the lift and the magic of the stars.**

**Let us worship God.**

\*Invocation and The Lord’s Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

\*Hymn: #445 “Be Thou My Vision”

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Selection

\*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

Pastoral Prayer Response: *Spirit of the Living God*

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature has one flat (B-flat), 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 piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

Readings: Jeremiah 17:7-8, Mark 2:1-12 (NRSVUE)

Kathy Sugland

Sermon: **What's Love Got To Do With It: Listening for the Sound of the Genuine**  
Rev. Laura Fitzpatrick-Nager

\*Hymn: #427 "My Life Flows On"

Benediction

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.*

## Scripture Readings

### **Jeremiah 17:7-8**

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

### **Mark 2:1-12 (NRSVUE)**

When Jesus returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. So many gathered around that there was no longer room for them, not even in front of the door, and he was speaking the word to them. Then some people came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. And when they could not bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him, and after having dug through it, they let down the mat on which the paralytic lay.

When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, “Child, your sins are forgiven.” Now some of the scribes were sitting there questioning in their hearts, “Why does this fellow speak in this way? It is blasphemy! Who can forgive sins but God alone?” At once Jesus perceived in his spirit that they were discussing these questions among themselves, and he said to them, “Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? Which is easier: to say to the paralytic, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Stand up and take your mat and walk’? But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins”—he said to the paralytic— “I say to you, stand up, take your mat, and go to your home.” And the person stood up and immediately took the mat and went out before all of them, so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, “We have never seen anything like this!”

*The host for Fellowship Hour today is Lee Whitaker.*

The image quote on the cover is by Howard Thurman.

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.

**Grief and Loss Group** June 29th 5:30-6:30 pm in Hoag Parlor.

**Save the Date:** A Little Bit Messy: Parents of Young Children Summer Picnic. Join us for our first monthly meet-up meeting as we make time to visit, share stories and get to know one another. Thursday, July 6th at 5:30-6:30 pm Fellowship Garden. Babysitting and sandwiches included! For more info email Laura at [lfitz.nager@gmail.com](mailto:lfitz.nager@gmail.com).

**Message from our Director of Music, Simon Holt to all members of the Senior Choir**

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 14 and 15th**

Thanks to all that helped with Set-Up this past Saturday!!!!

**In Take Begins this THURSDAY - June 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am**

- See enclosed list of items that we can accept
- Please help reduce our labor by giving **Quality** items.– Thank you in advance
- For those of you donating Large furniture, call the Church office 434-8686 anytime, night or day and leave message with all the particulars on the WES call back line to see if we can accept. No sofa beds, recliners or particle board furniture
- For those who will be donating bedding and linens, please mark the size (king, queen, etc.
- **Organizing** donations prior to drop off will be very helpful

**Help wanted**

**Package check** - kids to help on sale days

- **Parking** attendants on Both Sale days
- **Small Furniture** setup [7/13] and sale days [7/14-7/15]
- Intake folks to sort and unload cars [see calendar for dates and times - just show up !!!!]
- We need drivers and trucks during intake beginning June 29<sup>th</sup> to do local pickups and shuttle items from the church to the barn for storage.

\*\* For any of the above, please call Church Office at 434-8686, hit the WES line, press 5 at any point and leave a message.

## **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                        |

## **Worker Aprons**

The red worker aprons will be available in the meeting house on Thursday, July 13th from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Each department should send a representative to sign out the number needed. Questions can be directed to Eunice Taylor via email [eunicetaylor@me.com](mailto:eunicetaylor@me.com).


**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 7:30-9:00am 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.

## JUNE

| <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>18</b>  | <b>19</b>  | <b>20</b>  | <b>21</b>  | <b>22</b><br><b>Pre SET-UP</b><br><b>INSIDE</b><br>[hang signs move tables, etc] | <b>23</b><br><b>Pre SET-UP</b><br><b>INSIDE</b><br>[milk crates, tubs, etc] | <b>24</b><br><b>SET-UP INSIDE</b><br>[9:00 am – 12:00] |
| <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 Narthax<br><br>Clean up and Finalize inside setup | <b>11</b><br>During Day<br>Big Tens & Sport Goods<br><br>5-7 pm<br>Outside tables, Plant, Baked Good, Coffee Tents Go up | <b>12</b><br>CLOSED<br>Sort & Price<br><br><b>Finalize any remaining outside Set-up</b> | <b>13</b><br><b>SET-UP OUTSIDE</b><br><b>8 AM -&gt;&gt;</b><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>8:00–12:00<br><br>CLEANUP & Snacks<br><b>12:00 -&gt;&gt;</b> |

### Calendar of Events and Meetings

**Board of Stewardship** *TODAY* at 11:30 am in Steve's Office.

**Deacons** *Tuesday, June 27* at 7:00 pm in Steve's Office and Zoom.

**Writing at the Well** *Wednesday, June 28* at 10:00 am at Long River Local Cafe in Old Lyme.

**Thursday Beach Day** *Thursday, June 29* at 10:00 am at White Sands Beach.

**Grief and Loss Group** *Thursday, June 29* at 5:30 pm in Hoag Parlor.

**Office Closed** *Tuesday, July 4.*

