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SUNDAY WORSHIP

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Simon D. Holt, Director of Music

July 30, 2023

10:00 AM

Prelude

*Processional Hymn: #250 “Here in this Place”

*Call to Worship (adapted from Emily Dickinson poem):

It's all I have to bring today—
This, and my heart beside—
This, and my heart, and all the fields—
And all the meadows wide—
Come, let us worship God together

*Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

*Hymn: #244 “Like A Tree Beside the Waters”

Offertory Invitation

*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 is 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: Psalm 8; John 15:5, a-c; Canticle of the Creatures by St. Francis of Assisi

Sermon: **Ode to a Trembling Giant and Other Inconceivable Surprises**

Rev. Laura Fitzpatrick-Nager

*Hymn: #461 "We Cannot Own the Sunlit Sky"

Benediction

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.

This morning we are grateful and pleased to welcome David Warfield as our guest organist.

The image on the cover is “Pando” the world's largest tree, Fishlake National Forest, Utah.

The host for Fellowship Hour today is Kristen Clark.

The Nursery is open today with Miss Kim.

Help with Sunday Flowers. We would like help organizing pulpit flowers on Sundays. If you can participate, please contact Jill Harned, 603-398-9004. Thank you.

Church World Service Blanket Drive: Thanks to the generosity of the congregation, the LBS Board was able to send \$2,828 (a record) to Church World Service for warm and light-weight blankets to help many needy people in this country and abroad.

CPR/AED and First Aid Class Do you live around other people? You need to know what to do in an emergency. A CPR/AED and First Aid class will be held on Thursday, August 3rd from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm at the Estuary Council of Seniors in Old Saybrook. The class is \$28 and American Red Cross certificates will be given. Please contact the Estuary or Cathy Mathis—an ARC instructor—at camathis43@gmail.com to register.

Diaper Bank Saturday continues during the summer months. Our next distribution will be on August 5th. Donations of diapers, especially sizes 3, 4, and 5, and baby wipes are always appreciated.

Message from our Director of Music, Simon Holt: It's Your Turn!! This summer we will be holding one more Summer Sing, or better known as "Turn up to FCCOL at 9:15 am and rehearse for the 10:00 am service, and yes, it feels like the seat of your pants singing, but oh, what fun we'll have" Sundays! Our last will take place on **August 13**. Please mark your calendars! All are welcome and I hope many of you will join us!

Calendar of Events and Meetings

Writing at the Well *Wednesday, August 2 at 10:00am* in the Library.

Lyme Art Association *Thursday, August 3 at 9:00am* in the Sheffield Auditorium.

Thursday Morning at White Sand Beach *Thursday, August 3 at 10:00am.*

Lyme Art Association *Friday, August 4 at 9:00am* in the Sheffield Auditorium.