



**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

**May 5, 2024**

**10:00 AM**

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Prelude

Introit: *“Come quickly, Lord”*

*by Anne McNair (born 1954)*

\*Processional Hymn: #253 “God is Here!”

\*Call to Worship (based on a prayer from Thomas Merton):

We have no idea where we are going.  
We cannot see the road ahead of us  
**The fact that we think we are following You  
Does not mean that we are actually doing so.**  
But we believe that the desire to please You  
Does in fact please You.  
**We hope that we will never do anything apart from that desire.  
And we know that if we do this,  
You will lead us by the right road.**  
Therefore will we trust You always, even though  
We may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death.  
**We will not fear, for You are ever with us,  
And You will never leave us to face our struggles alone.  
Let us worship God.**

\*Prayer of Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

\*Hymn: #474 “Rise Up, O Saints of God!”

Children’s Message

Carol Heller

Children’s Song: “This Little Light of Mine”

(First verse only, as the children proceed downstairs. Congregation remains seated.)

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem: *“I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord”*

arranged by Herbert Grieb

\*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: *Hear Our Prayer, O God*

Hear our prayer, O God, hear our prayer, O God; in -

cline your ear to us, and grant us your peace.

Scripture: II Kings 22: 3-13, Luke 4: 18

Sermon: "The UnCovering of Religion"

Rev. Dr. Steven Jungkeit

\*Hymn: #413 "How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord"

Benediction

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.*

## Choir Anthems Today

**Introit: “Come Quickly, Lord”**

by Anne McNair (born 1954)

Come quickly, Lord, we wait for peace, come quickly Lord, may all conflict cease. We hear you whispering, we long to hear your full voice. We hear you calling gently, urging us to follow you. And when we follow you, will we find peace?

Lord, come quickly, we wait for hope, come quickly Lord, in darkness we grope. We glimpse your beauty here, we long to view glorious realms, where all reside in light that you provide to guide our paths. And when we walk in light, will we find hope?

Lord, we wait for you. Are you here already? Guiding us, but we refuse to follow. Help us turn to you. Help us to follow you. Help us to love you. Help us live for you.

Come quickly, Lord, we wait for love, come quickly Lord, descend from above. We feel your presence here, we long to dwell in your grace. O Christ now come to bear our burdens, showing us the way. And when we dwell in you will we find love?

Come quickly, Lord, we wait for joy, come quickly, Lord, our talents employ. We know the gifts you give, we long to use them for you. Help us to see the need and give us strength to ease the pain. And when we do your work, will we find joy?

Come quickly, Lord, we wait.

**Offertory Anthem: “I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord”** arranged by Herbert Grieb

I love Thy Kingdom, Lord, the house of Thine abode, the Church our blest Redeemer saved with His own precious blood.

I love Thy Church, O God; her walls before Thee stand, dear as the apple of Thine eye and graven on Thy hand.

For her my tears shall fall, for her my prayers ascend; to her my cares and toils be given, till toils and cares shall end.

Beyond my highest joy I prize her heavenly ways, her sweet communion, solemn vows, her hymns of love and praise.

Sure as Thy truth shall last, to Zion shall be given the brightest glories earth can yield, and brighter bliss of heaven. Amen.

## Scripture Readings

### **II Kings 22: 3-13**

In the eighteenth year of King Josiah, the king sent Shaphan son of Azaliah son of Meshullam, the secretary, to the house of the Lord, saying, “Go up to the high priest Hilkiah and have him add up the entire sum of the silver that has been brought into the house of the Lord that the keepers of the threshold have collected from the people; let it be given into the hand of the workers who have the oversight of the house of the Lord; let them give it to the workers who are at the house of the Lord repairing the house, that is, to the carpenters, to the builders, to the masons; and let them use it to buy timber and quarried stone to repair the house. But no accounting shall be asked from them for the silver that is delivered into their hand, for they deal honestly.”

The high priest Hilkiah said to Shaphan the secretary, “I have found the book of the law in the house of the Lord.” When Hilkiah gave the book to Shaphan, he read it. Then Shaphan the secretary came to the king and reported to the king, “Your servants have melted down the silver that was found in the house and have delivered it into the hand of the workers who have oversight of the house of the Lord.” Shaphan the secretary informed the king, “The priest Hilkiah has given me a book.” Shaphan then read it aloud to the king.

When the king heard the words of the book of the law, he tore his clothes. Then the king commanded the priest Hilkiah, Ahikam son of Shaphan, Achbor son of Micaiah, Shaphan the secretary, and the king’s servant Asaiah, saying, “Go, inquire of the Lord for me, for the people, and for all Judah, concerning the words of this book that has been found...”

### **Luke 4: 18**

He has sent me to proclaim...*recovery* of sight to the blind...

*The flowers this morning are given by Jill Harned.*

*The hosts for the Fellowship Hour this morning are the Clark Family.*

*The Nursery is open today with Miss Tiffany.*

**The First New Member Orientation is Today, after The Worship Service:**

New Member Orientations will be today and May 12th in the Library after the 10:00 am service. Please join us to learn more about FCCOL and becoming a member. New members will then be received at the Worship Service on May 19th, followed by a welcome reception.

**Confirmation Class: Tonight!** Our confirmation class and mentors meet tonight from 4:00– 6:00 pm in the Library, sharing a light meal. **Confirmation Sunday** is May 12th, during the worship service.

**Bible Study:** Bible Study meets on Thursdays, 11am-12pm in the library. Available also on Zoom. All are welcome!

**Ladies Benevolent Society May 14th Luncheon:**

Come join us for some fellowship, delicious food and a wonderful program at the LBS luncheon on Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> from noon to 2pm. Pulled pork sandwiches, coleslaw, pickled beets and assorted cakes will be followed with a presentation by Marta Daniels, curator of the Chester Historical Society. She will be speaking on the life and legacy of Constance Baker Motley, a civil rights attorney and distinguished Federal Judge (1921 -2005). Suggested donation for the luncheon is \$5 plus an item for our food bank or our diaper bank. Please call FCCOL (860-434-8686) by Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup> to make a reservation.

**Crosby Fund for Haitian Education: Presentation and Dinner, Sunday, May 19th:**

Join us for a Haitian Dinner! If you would like to learn more about our work in Haiti, please join us Sunday, May 19th at 5:30pm at the First Congregational Church of Old Lyme for a presentation and an authentic "Haitian Dinner" prepared and catered by Mommy's Restaurant of Norwich. For reservations please call the church at 860-434-8686. Suggested donation: \$10 per person. <https://crosbyfund.org/support/>

**Walk for Gaza CT:**

On May 23, 24, and 25, residents in and around Connecticut will walk the length of Gaza in solidarity with those suffering from the ongoing violence against the people of Gaza. The 25-mile walk -planned and prepared by a group of individuals and organizations in CT. - will take place over the course of three days, at three different locations.

**New Haven** - Thursday, May 23, 8 miles, 10:00 am start.

**Bridgeport** - Friday, May 24, 6.5 miles, 1:00 pm prayers, 2:00 pm start.

**Shoreline** - Saturday, May 25, 9 miles, 9:00 am start.

To register or for more information: [walkforgazact@gmail.com](mailto:walkforgazact@gmail.com).

Email Laura if you'd like to join her for a day: [lfitz.nager@gmail.com](mailto:lfitz.nager@gmail.com)

**Help with Sunday Flowers.** We're scheduling members and friends who would like to provide pulpit flowers for a week. If desired, flowers can be given in memory of a loved one, with the loved one(s) mentioned in the bulletin. Flowers or greenery can be fresh from your garden or ordered from florist. A house plant from home displayed for the morning would be lovely, as well. To sign up for a future week, please call Jill Harned, 603-398-9004. Thank you!

## Calendar of Events and Meetings

**New Members Orientation** *Today, May 5th at 11:30am* in the Library.

**Confirmation Class with Mentors** *Today, May 5th at 4:00 - 6:00pm* in the Library.

**LWS** *Monday, May 6th at 10:00 am* in Sheffield Auditorium.

**Senior Center Luncheon** *Tuesday, May 7th at 12:00 pm* in Fellowship Hall.

**Senior Center Luncheon** *Wednesday, May 8th at 12:00 pm* in Fellowship Hall.

**Senior Choir** *Wednesday, May 8th at 7:30 pm* in Sheffield Auditorium.

**Bible Study** *Thursday, May 9th at 11:00 am* in Hoag Parlor.

**Senior Center Luncheon** *Thursday, May 9th at 12:00 pm* in Sheffield Auditorium.

**Blood Drive** *Thursday, May 9th from 1:00 to 6:00 pm* in the Fellowship Hall.

**Food Pantry** *Saturday, May 11th at 8:30 am* in Fellowship Hall.

**JPF/SPF Youth Group** *Sat, May 11th* Outreach project at the Niantic Animal Hospital.

**Confirmation Day** *Sunday, May 12th at 10:00 am* during Worship Service.

**New Members Orientation** *Sunday, May 12th at 11:30am* in the Library.

## In Memoriam



The Reverend David W. Good

April 26, 1949 - April 2, 2024

FCCOL is establishing a Memorial Fund in memory of

Rev. David W. Good

which we hope will continue to fund ministries

to which David was devoted.

Please mark your donations "David Good Memorial."

## The White Elephant Sale:

**Fri., July 12th from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm and Sat., July 13th 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 them until the first intake day, **Thurs.** June 27th.

### Volunteers wanted for:

- **Children's clothes** needs co-chairs.
  - **Parking attendants, small furniture** - set up Thursday and on sale day - please volunteer
  - **Daily sorting and intake** 6/27 to 7/3 from 9-2 pm (not 6/30). For those who can, please stop in and help unload cars or sort inside -- All are welcome for as long as you can stay. Great way to meet folks and see what the WES is all about - people helping people.
- Thank you in advance

To volunteer, please call the church 860-434-8686 or any one of the following area coordinators: Anita Allen (860) 227-6850, Bob Davis (860) 884-7568, Nathalie Fogg (860) 451-8460, Roxie Gallagher (860) 227-4649, Jane Marolda (860) 859-2497.

## June

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
Pre Set –Up Inside	Pre Set –Up Inside	Set –Up Inside	INTAKE 9:00 - 2:00	INTAKE 9:00 - 2:00 <i>Workers Lunch</i>	INTAKE 9:00 - 2:00
hang signs move tables, etc.	milk crates, tubs, etc.	9am -12pm			

## July

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
INTAKE 9:00 - 2:00	INTAKE 9:00 - 2:00	INTAKE 9:00 - 2:00 <i>Workers Lunch</i>	HOLIDAY	CLOSED Sort & Price	CLOSED Sort & Price
<b>8</b> CLOSED Sort & Price  For Sale. Move Art to Narthex  Clean up and Finalize inside setup	<b>9</b> During Day Big Tents & Sport Goods  5-7 pm Outside tables, Plants, Baked Goods, Coffee Tents Go up	<b>10</b> CLOSED Sort & Price  Finalize any remaining outside Set-up	<b>11</b> SET-UP OUTSIDE 8:00 AM -->>  <i>Workers Lunch</i>	<b>12</b> <b>SALE 9-2pm</b>	<b>13</b> <b>SALE 8-12pm</b>  CLEAN UP AND SNACKS after 12