

The First Congregational Church of Old Lyme

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

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July 14, 2024

Sunday Worship Service

10:00 AM

Prelude

Introit

*Processional Hymn: #78 "There is Love All Around You"

*Call to Worship:

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth

Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing

Know that the Lord is God.

It is He that made us, and we are his;

We are his people; and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!

For the Lord is good;

His steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Let us Worship God together

*Prayer of Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

*Hymn: #467 "I'm Gonna Live"

*Offering 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.

*Offering Dedication

Pastoral Prayer

Pastoral Prayer Response: Hear Our Prayer, O God



Scripture: Mark 4:26-32

Sermon: "Like a Seed"

Reverend Cathy Zall

Hymn: #477 "God of Grace"

Benediction

Benediction Response

Postlude

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.

^{*}Congregation Standing

Scripture Readings

Mark 4:26-32

He also said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

We are very grateful and happy to welcome the Reverend Cathy Zall to the pulpit this morning. Cathy served as our Associate Minster from 2002-2007 and is currently the Executive Director of the Homeless Hospitality Center in New London.

Our church works closely with HHC, and we are grateful to her for helping us share in this critical work serving those most in need.

The flowers this morning are given in celebration of "July" birthdays!

The host for the Fellowship Hour this morning is Ellen Calkins.

The nursery is open today with Miss Tiffany Goss. Arts and crafts with high school helpers downstairs as well.

Events and Meetings

Climate Change Veggie Potluck: Wed, July 17th at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Memorial Service for Ruth Cann: Thursday, July 18th at 1:00 pm in the Meetinghouse.

Youth Group Beach Party: Thursday, July 18th at 5:00 till 8:00 pm at White Sands Beach.

Board of Stewardship Meeting: Thursday July 18th at 4:00 pm in the Library.

Food Pantry: Saturday, July 20th at 8:30 am in the Fellowship Hall.

Senior Center Lunches: will resume at FCCOL on Thursday, August 1st, 12:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

ARC Blood Drive: Thursday, August 8th, 1:00pm - 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Old Lyme Mid-Summer Festival: *Friday & Saturday, July 26th and 27th* on Lyme St. & Upper Lyme St.

Climate Change Conversation and Pot Luck: Sharing the Signs of Hope and Innovation, Wednesday, July 17th, 5:30-7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Join the Environmental Committee and Laura for a Veggie Potluck and Conversation about where in the world we see hopeful efforts to mitigate Climate Change. Bring a veggie dish and a friend and we'll share in a rich discussion and our garden delights. Contact for more information at: lfitz.nager@gmail.com.

Youth Group Beach Party: Thurs, July 18th, Sunset and dinner at White Sands Beach from 5:00 - 8:00 pm. We will meet to carpool at FCCOL at around 5pm. Bring a blanket/chairs, drinks, and snacks so that we can enjoy the night together as the sun sets over Old Lyme!

A Memorial Service for Ruth Cann will be held Thursday, July 18th at 1:00 pm in the Meetinghouse.

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 a dedication in the bulletin. Flowers or greenery can be fresh from your garden or from florist, or house plant would be lovely, as well. To sign up, call Jill Harned, 603-398-9004. Thank you!

Seeking a Rental: One of our young church families is in search of rental home for the summer; tiding them over until an academic rental becomes available. Call Anne in the office if you have helpful information, 860-434-8686.

Seeking a Temporary Home for a Rising High School Senior: It has come to our attention that a rising high school senior is in need of a place to live for the upcoming academic year. This student had been in a foster care situation, which has now ended. However, the student would like to remain in Old Lyme in order to finish high school here. If there is a family who would be willing to consider providing a place to live, please let either Steve Jungkeit (steven@jungkeit.net) or Christie Williams-Kahn (860-434-2255) know.

Old Lyme Festival Friday and Saturday, July 26th and 27th on Lyme Street.

Locomotion Kick Things Off, Friday Night, July 26 • 7pm-9pm at the Florence Griswold Museum

LYSB 5K Race, Saturday, July 27 • 8am starting at 59 Lyme Street.

Art for Sale, Saturday, July 27 • 9am-4pm at the Old Lyme Inn and the Lyme Art Association.

Classic Car Show Brings the Winners, Saturday, July 27 • 9:30am-1:30pm 100 Lyme Street.

Parading Paws Dog Show, Saturday, July 27 • 10am-12pm at the Florence Griswold Museum

Kids Activities to Make Everyone Smile, Saturday, July 27 • 9am-3pm at the Old Lyme Inn.

Shop Super Sale, Friday and Saturday • 10am-5pm at the Florence Griswold Museum.

Annual Linen Sale On Lyme Street, Friday & Saturday, at <u>Patricia Spratt for the Home</u> the annual sidewalk sale at her Lyme Street workshop is the time to stock up!

de Gerenday's Fine Art Materials & Curiosities, Saturday • 9am-5pm, at the Lyme Academy,

Free Art Exhibitions, Saturday, July 27 • 9am-5pm at the Lyme Art Association.

For more information on the Mid-Summer Festival in Old Lyme go to: https://www.exploreoldlyme.com/midsummer-festival



The Reverend David W. Good April 26, 1949 - April 2, 2024

In Memoriam

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."

WHITE ELEPHANT SET UP DAY

















WHITE ELEPHANT SALE OPENING DAY





















