

The First Congregational Church of Old Lyme

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#### SUNDAY WORSHIP

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July 28, 2024

**Sunday Worship Service** 

10:00 AM

Prelude

\*Processional Hymn: #6 "Bring Many Names"

\*Call to Worship:

Loving God of Many Names

gather us in with a deep peace that knows no bounds and an abiding hope that calls to us "from deep to deep..."

Gather us in to the heartbeat of Love. Unite us in prayer, compassion and joy.

May all know how fearfully and wonderfully they are made,

each in the image of Love.

Come let us worship God together.

\*Prayer of Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

\*Hymn: #515 "This is My Song"

\*Offering Invitation

Offertory Duet: "Come Unto Me"

by John Peterson

sung by Marcy Conway (soprano) and John Delmhorst (baritone)

\*Doxology:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

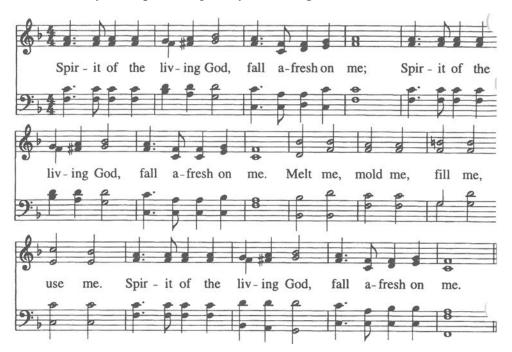
Praise God for all that love has done;

Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

\*Offering Dedication

Pastoral Prayer

Pastoral Prayer Response: Spirit of the Living God



Scripture: Scripture: John 6:1-13

Sermon: "Gathering the Fragments"

Ashley Makar, Alawia Bahreldein & Dr. Abdelillah Douda

Hymn: #500 "O For a World"

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.

## **Scripture Readings**

Scripture: John 6:1-13

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tibe'ri-as. <sup>2</sup> And a multitude followed him, because they saw the signs which he did on those who were diseased. <sup>3</sup> Jesus went up on the mountain, and there sat down with his disciples. 4 Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. <sup>5</sup> Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a multitude was coming to him, Jesus said to Philip, "How are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" <sup>6</sup> This he said to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. <sup>7</sup> Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii[a] would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." 8 One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, <sup>9</sup> "There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what are they among so many?" <sup>10</sup> Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place; so the men sat down, in number about five thousand. 11 Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. <sup>12</sup> And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, that nothing may be lost." <sup>13</sup> So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten.

#### **Qur'an Recitation**

Dr. Abdelillah Douda:

Surah Al-Hujurat, verse 13

English interpretation: O, human beings! We created you all from a male and a female, and made you into nations and tribes so that you may know one another. Verily the noblest of you with Allah is the most conscious of God. Surely Allah is All-Knowing, All-Aware.

The flowers this morning are given in celebration of the Summer Anniversary.

The host for the Fellowship Hour this morning is Susan Mountz.

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



There will be an

Adult Forum with our guests:

Ashley Makar, Alawia Bahreldein,

and Dr. Abdelillah Douda

in the Sheffield Auditorium

after this mornings

Worship Service.

### **Events and Meetings**

Shirley Howard Memorial Service Sunday, August 4th at 1:00pm in the Meetinghouse.

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

Summer Sing Sunday, August 11th. Rehearsal 9:15am, 10:00 am Worship Service.

**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 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 (<a href="steven@jungkeit.net">steven@jungkeit.net</a>) or Christie Williams-Kahn (860-434-2255) know.

**The Lost and Found:** has been moved to the hallway outside the office entrance, on the 2nd floor. We have already gotten favorable reviews for tidying up the narthex. Thanks Sean!

**September Newsletter:** Please start thinking about your article or contribution, photos, or thoughts for the September Newsletter. The deadline is Friday, August 16th. Please submit you articles and information to: fccol@fccol.org. Thank you.

Please welcome Ashley Makar, Alawia Bahreldein and Dr. Abdelillah Douda to our Worship Service this morning. There will be an Adult Forum following the morning service in the Sheffield Auditorium, please join us.



**Ashley Makar** is the Community Liason for the Integrated Refugee & Immigrant Service (IRIS) in New Haven.

Alawia Bahreldein is a civil society activist and social worker from West Darfur, Sudan, with a focus on Peace Building and Women's Issues. She has over 18 years experience with the UN and International NGOs. For six years, she led the Human Rights and Peace Development Dept. at the University of El-Geneina. Due to the current war in Sudan, she fled to Chad in June 2023. Since then, she's been organizing the humanitarian response in refugee camps in Chad.

**Dr. Abdelillah Douda** is an educational consultant, human rights activist, and community leader from West Darfur, Sudan. He has a doctorate in Education from Southern CT State University. Since 2004, Dr. Douda has worked as an Arabic instructor at various institutions. Since the current war reached Darfur, he's been on a campaign to end the violence and to alleviate the humanitarian emergency among refugees who've fled to Chad, including his family. In partnership with the Save El-Geineina Initiative, he helped open a clinic run by refugee physicians and a feeding center for Darfur refugees in Chad.

If you'd like to support the clinic & feeding center, you can make a donation to Sudan Sunrise (at sudansunrise.org) and designate Darfurian Refugee Relief in Chad.



"Refugees in Darfur from Chad"



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
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