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## **The First Congregational Church of Old Lyme**

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## SUNDAY WORSHIP

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**March 2, 2025**

**Sunday Worship Service**

**10:00 AM**

Prelude

**Introit: “Rondo Jubilate”**

Douglas E. Wagner  
Old Lyme Ringers and Organ

\*Processional Hymn: #500 “O For a World”

\*Call to Worship:

When we do not see the gravity of injustice and pain,  
**shake us from our slumber and open our eyes.**

When out of fear we are frozen into inaction,  
**give us a spirit of bravery.**

When we try our best but say the wrong things,  
**grant us a spirit of humility.**

When the chaos of this time dies down,  
**offer us a lasting spirit of solidarity.**

When it becomes easier to point fingers outward,  
**help us to examine our own hearts.**

**In such a spirit, let us worship God!**

\*Prayer of Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

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

Children’s Message

Melissa DaPonte

Children’s Song: #364 “This Little Light of Mine”

*(Children proceed downstairs. Congregation remains seated.)*

Offering Invitation

Offertory Anthem: “**Above all Praise**”

by Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

\*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 Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Pastoral Prayer Response: “Come Fill Our Hearts”

Two systems of musical notation for the hymn "Come Fill Our Hearts". Each system consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are: "Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You a-lone, O Lord, are ho-ly." and "Come and fill our hearts with your peace, al-le-lu-ia!". The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line and chords in the right hand.

Scripture: Acts 2: 1-13

Sermon: “The World House: Some Lessons from Pentecost”

Rev. Dr. Steven Jungkeit

\*Closing Hymn: #506 “O God, We Bear the Imprint of Your Face”

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

### Acts 2: 1-13

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

## Choir Anthems

**Introit: “Rondo Jubilate”**

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The introit: “Rondo Jubilate” (pronounced *Yoo-bi-lah-tay*) is a composition specifically written for handbells and organ. It reflects joy and a positive spirit and is most appropriate for this last Sunday before the beginning of Lent.

**Offertory Anthem: “Above all Praise”**

by Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Above all praise and all majesty. Lord Thou reignest evermore, Hallelujah.

*The flowers this morning are given in honor of all the Peace Makers around the world.*

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*The hosts for the Fellowship Hour this morning are George and Cynthia Willauer.*

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*The nursery is open today with Miss Tiffany Goss.*  
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## **Events and Meetings**

**Convergence Adult Forum TODAY**, *March 2nd at 11:15 am* in the Sheffield Auditorium.

**Ladies Who Stitch** *Monday, March 3rd at 10:00 am* in the Sheffield Auditorium.

**Dante 's Paradiso Reading Group** *Mon, March 3rd at 6:30 pm* in the Hoag Parlor.

**Old Lyme Ringers Rehearsal** *Wednesday, March 5th at 5:30 pm* in the Fellowship Hall.

**Ash Wednesday Service** *Wednesday, March 5th at 6:30 pm* in the Meetinghouse.

**The Choir Rehearsal** *Wednesday, March 5th at 7:30 pm* in the Sheffield Auditorium.

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

**Bible Study** *Thursday, March 6th at 11:00 am* in Hoag Parlor.

**The Kairos Document Reading** *Thursday, March 6th at 12:00 pm* in Hoag Parlor.

**ReBellion Rehearsal** *Thursday, March 6th at 4:15 pm* in the Fellowship Hall.

**Church Council Meeting** *Thursday, March 6th at 7:00 pm* in the Library.

**Shoreline Food Pantry and Diaper Bank** *Saturday, March 8th at 8:30 am* in Fellowship Hall.

**Board of Adult Education Meeting** *Sunday, March 9th at 11:15 am* in the Library.

## **TODAY Adult Forum with Convergence**

Our adult forum will be a second presentation by Gregg Carlson from the consulting firm Convergence. He will bring us up to date on the work that has been done since his last visit, along with some recommendations for moving forward. Please stay after the service for this report.

## **Ash Wednesday Service**

Wednesday, March 5th at 6:30 pm. This year we will be reading part of T.S. Eliot's Four Quartets, followed by the distribution of ashes.

**Church World Service Blanket Drive:** In 2024, warm blankets brought critical relief to those in need across southern and central Ohio and Washington State. Once August passes, the harsh winter days and nights are getting really cold. Many blankets were distributed at Thanksgiving. Even in sunny California, the lightweight blankets protect against the sun and provide warmth at night for homeless people. Each blanket costs only \$10. Please make checks payable to LBS. Special envelopes are available in the pews and may be put in the offering plate or sent to FCCOL c/o LBS.

## **Adult Forum Presentation, Let's Get Together by the Wheel Life Theater Troupe**

From the Legacy Theater, Branford, CT. Sunday, March 23rd from 11:30-12:15. *Let's Get Together* is an original piece of devised theatre, written and performed by the Wheel Life participants. A show about the evolution of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the brave people in the '80s and '90s who brought it to pass, this entertaining and thought-provoking production boldly looks at how we can all "get together" to improve each other's quality of life -- today and always. Directed by Julie Fitzpatrick (Laura's sister).

## **Bible Study Goodness, Greed and Grace: We have started to read the book of Exodus.**

Bible Study continues every Thursday, at 11:00 am. In person and on Zoom.

Email: [fccol@fccol.org](mailto:fccol@fccol.org) for the zoom link.

## **Reading the South African Kairos Document**

Members and friends are invited to gather for a reading and study group of the South African Kairos Document with Steve. Written at the height of the apartheid struggles in South Africa in 1985, this brief theological statement remains stunningly relevant. We'll meet every Thursday at 12:00 noon, in the Hoag Parlor, immediately after the weekly Bible study. Copies of the

document will be available in the church Narthex, on the table at the bottom of the stairs between the Meetinghouse and the Fellowship Hall, and in the church office. Large format copies are available as well. Email: [fccol@fccol.org](mailto:fccol@fccol.org) for the zoom link.

### **Dante's *Paradiso* Reading Group**

In preparation for our Maundy Thursday ascent with Dante through the *Paradiso*, all are invited to gather on a series of Mondays leading up to Maundy Thursday. We'll read key portions of the *Paradiso* together, and discuss their significance. The adventure begins on Monday, February 24, at 6:30 PM in the Hoag Parlor. All translations are welcome, but we'll refer most often to the Hollander and the Palma translations.

The schedule is as follows: March 3, (no meetings on March 10 and 17 - Steve will be in Cuba), March 24, March 31, April 7, and April 14. No need to sign up. Just come if you're interested. There will also be a Zoom option. Call the office for the link.

**Homeless Hospitality Donations:** We are grateful to everyone who helped with the donations of socks and coffee for the Homeless Hospitality Center of New London. Their request for canes (used canes are just fine!) and ground coffee and socks will continue. Please bring them to church and leave them with the deacons at the front door if you have one to donate; or bring it to the church office during the week. Many thanks.

**Nadine Pinede.** There are a few signed copies of her book "*When the Mapou Sings*" available in the FCCOL office for \$15.00.

**Sunday Flowers:** We're scheduling members and friends who would like to provide pulpit flowers for Sundays. To sign up, call Jill Harned, 603-398-9004. Thank you!

**Housing Wanted:** We regularly hear from folks who are in need of an affordable rental. If you have any information that could be helpful, please let Anne in the office know. Even a room to rent for a period of time would be greatly appreciated.

**A Room to Rent** is available in the home of one of our church members. If you'd like more information, please give your contact information to Anne in the church office and she'll connect you with the home owner.

**Car Wanted:** Our caretaker, Bill Slivinski, is in need of a car. Please let us know if you can help. Call the office at 860-434-8686. Thank you!



# FCCOL DONATIONS LIST FOR CUBA

From March 11-21, travelers from FCCOL will be visiting Cuba, going to communities around Santiago de Cuba. Cuba is facing acute shortages in all sorts of areas, but the most urgent are related to medical care. Hospitals there are faced with a severe lack of surgical instruments and basic supplies, as well as pharmaceuticals that are necessary for patient care. Our travelers have been requested, if possible, to bring some of these supplies with them. But we're putting this list out for our whole community, in hopes that together, we can all provide some basic relief for Cuba. Here's the list of needs: (the links are embedded in the copy)

**EQUIPMENT** First, the big-ticket item. We would like to provide 12 of these.

Binocular Headband Loupes with Light 3.5X Magnifying Optical Glasses, Adjustable 5W LED Head Light Lamp DY-106 Brand: YOHOSSO [\\$125.99 from Amazon](#)

*or (much cheaper if available, though Ali will spam you unmercifully afterwards):*

2.5X/3.5X Dental LED Light Lamp Binocular Loupes Brightness Spot Adjustable Dental Lab 5W Headlamp For Surgical Headlight (US plug), Brand: Harbor Dent [\\$46.29 from Ali Express](#)

[Surgical instruments](#)  
[cotton balls](#)  
[thermometers](#)

[Blood pressure cuff w/stethoscope](#)  
[antiseptic skin cleanser](#)  
[20 ml syringes](#)

[20 gauge needles](#) or [22 gauge](#)

## **DRUGSTORE SUPPLIES**

Vitamins for seniors

Vitamins for children

Ibuprofen (big bottles, generics)

Acetaminophen (big bottles, generics)

Aspirin (big bottles, generics)

Loperamide (generic Imodium)

**SOLAR POWER** Very Important:

[Solar charger power bank](#)

[hand-crank / solar power radio / charger / light](#)

## **DIGITAL**

high-capacity flash drives (take them out of the packaging before travel)  
– best with USB and C plugs

USB to C adapter, short cord – everybody should bring one for yourself, one to give away

## **OTHER ITEMS**

AA and AAA batteries (packages of 16 or 24, please, but they're heavy)