



"On the Third Day, Risen from the Dead" by Daisy Silva
The Stations of the Cross and the Solentamine community in Nicaragua,.

The First Congregational Church of Old Lyme

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

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April 20, 2025

Easter Sunday

9:00 and 11:00AM

Prelude: **“Trumpet Concerto in D major”**

by Guiseppe Torelli (1658-1709)
played by Kevin Kinsall

Introit: **“Now the Green Blade Riseth”**

French Carol/arr. Kevin McChesney
Old Lyme Ringers

*Processional Hymn: #33 “When In Our Music God Is Glorified”

*Call to Worship:

(From the book *The Gospel in Solentiname*, a dialogue about the Gospels among rural Nicaraguan workers, published in 1975. It was in Solentiname, established by Fr. Ernesto Cardenal, that the images were produced that we see around the Meetinghouse.)

Voices: The important thing about this story is that they find an empty tomb.
They were arriving to embalm a corpse and there wasn't any corpse.

Voices: Maybe the importance is that from then on every tomb in which a corpse is placed is empty. Even though a corpse has been buried in it, it has to be empty.

Minister: How is that? And the body that they'd placed in it?

Voices: It doesn't exist. There's no point in going to look for a body that's no longer anything, that's been resurrected, in that sense. And so, then, tombs are left empty.
They were going to look for Jesus's body, right? And they didn't find it.

Voices: And afterwards he appears before them and shows them that he's alive.

Minister: And he goes on showing us that he's alive, us, gathered here twenty one centuries later; and he's present in the midst of us.

All: The important thing is that he's alive wherever there's community.
On this Easter morning, let us worship God, together!

*Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

*Hymn: #205 “Christ The Lord Is Risen Today”

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem: **“Blessed be the God and Father”**

by Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876) with soprano soloist Lisa Feltes

*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.

Pastoral Prayer

Pastoral Prayer Response: *As We Are Gathered*

Refrain

As we are gathered, Je - sus is here; one with each

Fine

oth - er, Je - sus is here. Joined by the Spir - it

to Refrain

built up in love, part of the bod - y, the church of God.

Scripture Lessons: John 20: 1, 11-18,19-22

Sermon: "Hello From the Other Side"

Rev. Dr. Steven R. Jungkeit

*Hymn: #214 "Thine Is the Glory"

Benediction

Benediction Response: Chorus: ***Hallelujah!*** from "*The Messiah*" G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

Postlude

**Congregation Standing*

One Great Hour of Sharing is a special annual offering sponsored by The United Church of Christ in conjunction with the National Council of Churches. **All undesignated contributions at our Easter services will be dedicated to OGHS.** This appeal makes it possible for monies to be available for immediate help across the globe to respond to humanitarian and climate disasters. Our church has participated in this special appeal for many years, and we were recognized a few years ago as one of the most generous contributors nation-wide. Our goal this Easter season is to raise \$10,000 for the work of OGHS. You may contribute to OGHS at any time (put OGHS on check's memo line).

Scripture Readings

John 20: 1, 11-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb.

But Mary stood weeping outside of it, weeping. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, “Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’ ” Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord,” and she told them that he had said these things to her.

John 20: 19-22

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit.”

This Morning's Easter Music

Prelude: Trumpet Concerto in D major

by Giuseppe Torelli (1658-1709)
played by Kevin Kinsall

Introit: *Now the Green Blade Riseth*

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Now the Green Blade Riseth is a spirited arrangement of an old French carol musically illustrating the resurrection. The composition utilizes the techniques of ringing, shaking, the martellato, the martellato lift, and the use of mallets.

Offertory Anthem: Blessed be the God and Father by Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)
with soprano soloist Lisa Feltes

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which, according to his abundant mercy, hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. To an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God, through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. But as He which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation. Pass the time of your sojourning here in fear. Love one another with a pure heart fervently, see that ye love one another. Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God. For all flesh is as

grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away. But the word of the Lord endureth for evermore. Amen.

Benediction Response: Hallelujah from *Messiah*

by G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

Hallelujah! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth. Hallelujah! The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ; and He shall reign for ever and ever, King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Hallelujah!

Postlude: Fantasia in G major BWV 572

by J.S. Bach (1686-1750)

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We thank all of our musicians this evening: Soloist Lisa Feltes; Members of the Senior Choir; and our Director of Music, Simon Holt, and our Guest Trumpeter Kevin Kinsall.

We are grateful for the following Bell Ringers who have shared their talents with us this year: Lisa Feltes, Barbara Hack, Cindy Hautaniemi, Pat Jungkeit, Rachael Jungkeit, Doug Kiem, Leslie Kiem, Sean McCarty, Angela Mock, Kate Rice, and Matthew Rice; plus alternates: Allison Hine, Annie McCarty, and Donna Miller and the Director of the Old Lyme Ringers Gary Jungkeit. Today marks the end of the eighth season of the Old Lyme Ringers.

**Easter Egg Hunt in the Fellowship Garden TODAY following the 9am service!**

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The hosts for the Fellowship Hour this morning are the members of the Choir.

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*The nursery is open today with Miss Tiffany Goss. (only the 9:00 am service).*

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For a future Sunday if you would like to decorate our communion table with flowers in honor of or memory of someone special in your life or a meaningful occasion, please call Jill Harned at 603-398-9004 to reserve a date.

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***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, her or their 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.***

## **EASTER FLOWERS AND MUSIC**

In Memory of Cinnie and Bud Twining & Allen and Emay Twining Buck,  
Given by Edie Twining

In Loving Memory of Jonathon and Jan Hine & Anne Perry,  
Given by Allison and Jack Hine

In Memory of my parents Carol Holt and David Hart,  
Given by Simon Holt

In Memory of Pauline, Frank, Polly, and Philip Rogers,  
Given by Deborah Butler

In Celebration of the life of Constance Nichols,  
Given by Carly Detwiller, Marcia Trook and their Families

In Loving Memory of Michele Jones Delmhorst,  
Given by John Delmhorst

In Memory of Christian Mohn, our son, who passed at age 23,  
Given by Vicki and Jeryl Mohn

In Memory of Dorothy Day, and the many immigrants, documented and  
undocumented, to whom she gave shelter in Christ's name,  
Given by John Loughery

In Memory of the beloved members of the McNally, Fitzpatrick and Nager families,  
Given by the Fitzpatrick and Nager Families

In Loving Memory of Leland, Laura & Gary Reynolds and Charles & Viola Gerber,  
Given by Don and Carleen Gerber

In Memory of David W. Good, David W. Thompson and Sumner and Sarah Crosby,  
Given by Becky and Ted Crosby

In Honor of our parents, Bill and Jane Stubenbord,  
Given by Beth, Pam and Aliya Stubenbord

In Loving Memory of Sally McCracken,  
Given by her Family

In honor of the members, leaders and friends who have welcomed our family into our  
relatively new spiritual family and spiritual home. We are blessed.

It is so good to be together in this space,  
Given by Angela Mock and Family

In Loving Memory of Bob Webster,  
Given by Betsey Webster and his Children

In Honor of Nancy Connell,  
Given by Mary Broughton

In Loving Memory of Sidney Whelan,  
Given by Patsy McCook

In Honor of The Fogg Family,  
Given by Nathalie Fogg

In Celebration of Family in gratitude for every one of you,  
Given by Alan and Barbara MacGregor

With Gratitude for our Church Community,  
Given by Emily Fisher and Evan Griswold

In Memory of Carl and Nancy Johnson,  
Given by Pam Johnson

In Memory of my husband, Richard Blair who loved singing in the choir,  
Given by Diana Blair

In Memory of Sue & Cal Heminway and Marcia & Tom Sherer,  
Given by Deb Heminway and Tom Sherer

In Memory of Woody D'Oench, a wise and witty gentleman with love,  
Given by The Bylan Family

In Memory of Helen Sterling Pederson  
Given by Becca Frost

In Memory of my father Samuel R. Walker, my father-in-law Samuel A. Harned  
and brother-in-law Samuel C. Harned and my husband Jack,  
Given by Jilly Harned

In Loving Memory of Dr. Mark C. Stanberry  
Given by Candace Stanberry

In Memory of Lee & Hugh Harbison and Anne Phelps Harbison,  
Given by Lecia Harbison

In Memory of Alan Bayreuther, Ronald Swanson  
Given by Priscilla B. Swanson

In Memory of Sir Richard and Lady Gorham  
Given by Robin Sedgwick.

In Memory of Loved Ones.  
Given by Ginny and Dave Speirs

In Loving Memory of my parents, Florence and Colin Darnell  
Given by Christine Darnell

In Honor of my parents, Helen and William Lipp,  
Given by Julie Kuja

In Memory of Clifton and Mary Hartman.  
Given by Dale Bernardoni

In Memory of Etta W. Todd and Arthur D. Todd  
Given by Eve Todd

In Honor of the FCCOL Choir  
Given by Ross W. and John A. Higgins

## Events and Meetings

**Ladies Who Stitch** *Monday, April 21st at 10:00 am* in the Sheffield Auditorium.

**Board of Deacons Meeting** *Tuesday, April 22nd at 7:00 pm* in the Library.

**TransParent Meeting** *Wednesday, April 23rd at 5:30 pm* in the Hoag Parlor.

**Choir Rehearsal** *No rehearsal this week.*

**Endowment Committee Meeting** *Thursday April 24th at 6:30 pm* in the Library.

**Writers at the Well** *Friday, April 25th at 10:00 am* in the Hoag Parlor.

**Salt Marsh Opera with Simon Holt** *Friday, April 25th at 4:30 pm* in the Sheffield Auditorium.

**Shoreline Food Pantry** *Saturday, April 26th at 8:30 am* in Fellowship Hall.

**UCC Earth Summit Online** at *Saturday, April 26th 2:00 pm online*, email the office for the link.

**Musical Masterworks Concert** *Sat, April 26th at 5 pm and Sun, April 27th at 3 pm.*

**God's Neighborhood Flower Sale** *Sunday, April 27th after the 10:00 am Service* on the front lawn.

**Green Grass Meeting** *Sunday, April 27th at 11:30 am* in the Library.

**Adult Forum with Owen Placide** *Sunday, April 27th at 11:30 am* in the Fellowship Hall.

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**Immigration Ministry:** At our March 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday service we heard about the need for family support volunteers for our Immigration Ministry. Sign-ups are continuing, therefore, If you are interested please email Christine Harrington at [cellobrate8@gmail.com](mailto:cellobrate8@gmail.com) We will be having an organizing meeting soon, so stay tuned!

**Bible Study Goodness, Greed and Grace,** We are currently reading the book of Exodus. We'll meet on Thursday, April 24th at 11:00 am in the Library in person and on Zoom.  
Email: [fccol@fccol.org](mailto:fccol@fccol.org) for the zoom link.

**Annual Walk to End Homelessness, Save The Date, April 27, 2025,** for the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Walk to End Homelessness, sponsored by Connecticut College and the New London Homeless Hospitality Center. Go to [www.nlhlc.org](http://www.nlhlc.org) for details and to register or donate. Please support the Walk. The need is great.

**Green Grass, South Dakota Trip: April 27th Meeting after the Service**

We're hoping to take an intergenerational group to Green Grass South Dakota this June (tentative dates: June 18th-25th). Join us after church on Sunday, April 27th in the library if you'd like to explore this possibility.

**Adult Forum with Owen Placido:** Please join us on Sunday, April 27th after the 10:00 am Worship service for an Adult Forum by Owen Placido, who is an extension educator with Connecticut Sea Grant, focused on nature-based resilience. He will share information on coastal resilience efforts, water quality trends and landscaping practices. This talk is part of our Earth Day focus.

**God's Neighborhood Flower Sale Sunday, April 27th:** We'll celebrate Earth Week with a Flower Sale on Sunday, April 27th! God's Neighborhood will plant flowers and help in the sale of spring flowers to raise money for the Heifer International Nonprofit Organization.

**Justice Dance Performance Project** Save the Date: May 4, 2025 from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm at The First Congregational Church of Old Lyme for a performance of "**With These Hands.**" Connecting Self, Community, and the Earth was performed at York CI in 2024 as the culmination of Justice Dance Performance Project's year-long performance residency there.