



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

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## SUNDAY WORSHIP

Steven R. Jungkeit, Senior Minister  
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Simon Holt, Director of Music

**May 11, 2025**

**Worship Sunday**

**10:00 AM**

Prelude

Introit: **“Kyrie eleison from Mass in G”**

by Franz Schubert (1797-1828)  
with Lisa Feltes, soprano soloist

\*Processional Hymn: #39 “O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing”

\*Call to Worship:

Our lives flow on in endless song;

Above earth's lamentation,

**We hear the sweet though far off hymn**

**That hails a new creation.**

No storm can shake our inmost calm,

While to that Rock we're clinging.

**Since Love is Lord of heaven and earth,**

**how can we keep from singing?**

**Let us worship God!**

\*Prayer of Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

\*Hymn: #427 “My Life Flows On in Endless Song”

Children's Message

Brad and Allie Mock

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

*(Children proceed downstairs. Congregation remains seated)*

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem: **“A Hymn of Praise”**

by Lani Smith (1934-2015)

\*Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

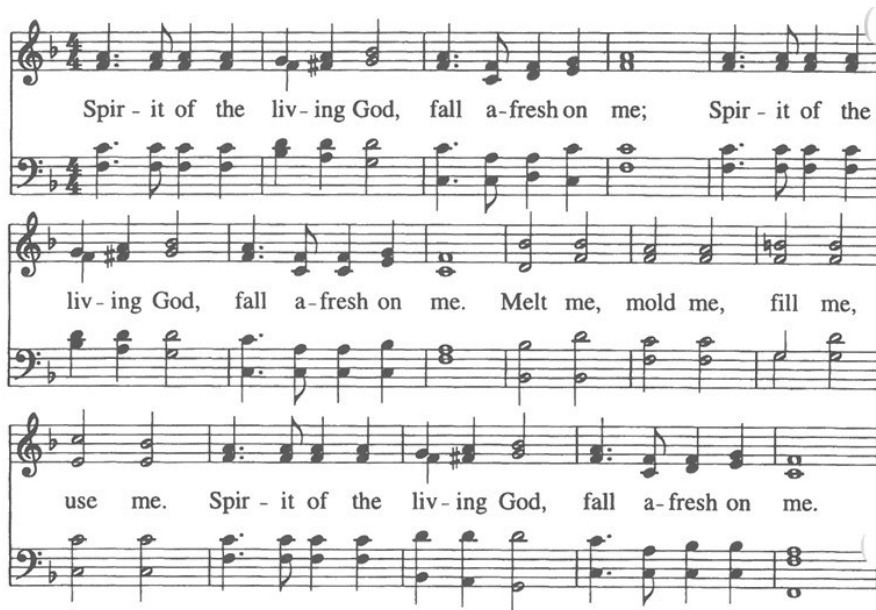
Praise God for all that love has done;

Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

\*Offering Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Pastoral Prayer Response: *"Spirit of the Living God"*



The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Spirit of the Living God". It is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The score consists of four systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are: "Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me; Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me." The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a steady rhythm.

Scripture: Psalm 100, Acts 16: 25-34, Ephesians 5: 18b-19

Sermon: Our Lives Flow on in Endless Song

Rev. Dr. Steven R. Jungkeit

\*Closing Hymn: Selected by the Congregation

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, 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.***

## Scripture Readings

### Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

Serve the Lord with gladness;

come into his presence with singing.

Know that the Lord is God.

It is he who 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.

Give thanks to him; bless his name.

For the Lord is good;

his steadfast love endures forever

and his faithfulness to all generations.

### Acts 16: 25-34

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken, and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them, and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

### Ephesians 5: 18b-19

Be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs to one another, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts.

## Choir Anthems

**Introit:** "Kyrie eleison from Mass in G"

by Franz Schubert (1797-1828)

with Lisa Feltes, soprano soloist.

**Text:** Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison. *Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.*

**Offertory Anthem: "A Hymn of Praise"**

by Lani Smith (1934-2015)

**Text:** All nature's works his praise declare, to whom they all belong; there is a voice in every star, in every breeze a song. Sweet music fills the world abroad with strains of love and power; the stormy sea sings praise to God, the thunder and the shower.

To God the tides of ocean cry, and birds upon the wing; to God the powers that dwell on high their tuneful tribute bring. Like them, let man the throne surround, with then loud chorus raise, while instruments of loftier sound assist his feeble praise.

Great God, to thee we consecrate our voices and our skill; we bid the pealing organ wait to speak alone thy will. Lord, while the music floats may earth-born passions die; O grant its rich and swelling notes may lift our souls on high!

**Events and Meetings**

**FCCOL Orientation Session TODAY!** *after the 10:00 am service* in the Library.

**Ladies Who Stitch Monday, May 12th at 10:00 am** in the Sheffield Auditorium.

**WES Meeting Monday, May 12th at 6:00 pm** in the Library.

**The Benevolent Society Luncheon Tuesday, May 13th at 12:00 pm** in the Fellowship Hall.

**Board of Trustees Meeting Tuesday, May 13th at 7:00 pm** in the Library.

**Ballroom Dancing with Sean Wednesday, May 14th at 10:00 am** in the Fellowship Hall.

**Choir Rehearsal Wednesday, May 14th at 7:30 pm** in the Sheffield Auditorium.

**Bible Study Thursday, May 15th at 11:00 am** in the Hoag Parlor.

**Board of Stewardship Meeting Thursday, May 15th at 4:00 pm** in the Library.

**FCCOL Orientation Session Thursday, May 15th at 7:00 pm** in the Sheffield Auditorium.

**Writers at the Well Friday, May 16th at 10:00 am** in the Hoag Parlor.

**Shoreline Food Pantry Saturday, May 17th at 8:30 am** in Fellowship Hall.

**FCCOL New Members Sunday Sunday, May 18th after the 10:00 am service.**

**Immigration Ministry Meeting Sunday, May 18th at 11:15 am** in the Sheffield Aud.

**God's Neighborhood Witness Stone Cleaning Sunday, May 18th at 11:30 am.**

**Haitian Dinner Sunday, May 18th at 5:30 pm** in the Fellowship Hall.

**Save these Dates**

**TransParent Group Meeting Wednesday, May 21st at 5:30 pm** in the Hoag Parlor.

**Summer Newsletter Deadline Wednesday, May 21st.**

**Adult Forum with Abigail Cipparone** (our UCC Advocate) *Sunday, May 25th at 11:15 am*  
in the Sheffield Auditorium.

**Moth Stories and Potluck Dinner Friday, May 30th at 6:00 pm** in the Fellowship Hall.

**The Benevolent Society Luncheon**, Please join us **Tuesday, May 13th at 12:00 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Chef Rick promises a delicious meal with side dishes complimenting his homemade meatloaf, a main course that earned raves last year. There will be a presentation by The Connecticut Nurses Honor Guard. They are a dedicated group who pay tribute to fallen nurses by performing at funerals and memorial services, along with providing comfort to families who have lost loved ones. Suggested donation for the luncheon and program is \$5 per person, plus a nonperishable food item for our food bank or a package of disposable diapers for our diaper bank. Please call the FCCOL office at (860) 434-8686 to make a reservation so we can be sure to have enough food prepared for all to enjoy.

**Bible Study Goodness, Greed and Grace**, We are currently reading the book of Exodus. We'll meet on **Thursday, May 15th** at 11:00 am in the Library in person and on Zoom. Email: [fccol@fccol.org](mailto:fccol@fccol.org) for the zoom link.

**Immigration Ministry Meeting**, **Sunday, May 18th** immediately after the service there will be a meeting for the Immigration Ministry Volunteers in the Sheffield Auditorium. We will share what we know so far and will be happy to answer your questions. If you have not signed up to help with this, you are welcome to do so at this meeting.

**The Crosby Fund for Haitian Education Haitian Dinner**, If you would like to learn more about our work in Haiti, please join us **Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm** in the Fellowship Hall for a presentation and an authentic Haitian Dinner prepared by "Mommy's Delicious Food" of Norwich. For reservations please call the church at 860-434-8686. Suggested donation: \$15.00 pp.

**TransParent Group** For Parents, Caregivers and Family Members of Trans Youth/Young Adults: Our group will provide conversation, support community and education for parents and caregivers around the issues of transgender, nonbinary, and gender-diversity. Join us for an informational meeting held at FCCOL on Wednesday, May 21st at 5:30 in the Hoag Parlor. For more information email us at: [fccol@fccol.org](mailto:fccol@fccol.org).

**Moth Story Hour and Potluck Dinner**, Given the enthusiastic response, the Moth Night will be back by popular demand. We are planning our next potluck for **Friday May 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. We hope to have 7 or 8 storytellers and there are still a couple slots available. If you have an engaging 5-minute story you would like to share, contact Tom Sherer at [tesjr299@outlook.com](mailto:tesjr299@outlook.com) for more information. If you would like to help with the potluck setup/cleanup, please contact Deb Heminway: [dheminway9@gmail.com](mailto:dheminway9@gmail.com).

**Monday May 12th Rally at Tweed Airport in New Haven** to protest "Chain and Ship" deportations! Avelo Airlines has recently contracted with ICE to deport US residents with flights in unmarked planes out of Arizona sending them to [CECOT in El Salvador](#) beginning on May 12th 2025 at 5 pm. Local immigration activists are appealing to people of faith to call out this "Chain and Ship" human rights violation by attending a rally at Tweed airport, where Avelo flies from on Monday, May 12th at 5pm. Rabbi Herb Brockman, Bishop John Selders, Reverend Carleen Gerber and Pastor Paul Fleck will speak out- and possibly call us to pray for those U.S. families permanently separated the day after Mother's Day. To carpool by 4:00 pm from the church, contact [fccol@fccol.org](mailto:fccol@fccol.org)

**Green Grass Trip**, We are traveling with a group from FCCOL to Green Grass South Dakota on June 18th-25th. If you are able to help support our scholarship fund, please email [fccol@fccol.org](mailto:fccol@fccol.org) for more information. For more information about the trip contact Laura at [lfitz.nager@gmail.com](mailto:lfitz.nager@gmail.com).

**White Elephant Sale:** Friday, July 11th from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm and Saturday, July 12th from 8:00 am - Noon. Intake starts Thursday, June 26th. **Organizing your donations prior to drop off is very helpful & Quality Please!**

### Help wanted

**Small Furniture** - needs workers - lots of items to sort & price, Thursday 7/11 and then sell Fri and Sat 7/12 & 7/13.

**Appliances** - (2) co-chair also folks to price and sell.

**Parking** - big crew needed to manage two parking lots both days call Sean at 860-710-8414.

**Daily sorting and intake** - 6/26 to 7/2 from 9-2 pm (not Sun 6/29). For those that 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.

### Young people Opportunities

Days of sale - need help at the CTK and Luddington parking lots.

Days of sale - need runners to bring drinks around to the workers.

Days of sale - need help in package check.

### Trucks and drivers

Attention Pickup Truck Owners - WES needs trucks to move small intake items from the church to the barn and other storage places in Old Lyme. We need them each day during

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>June 19</b> Pre-set up inside (hang signs, move tables)	<b>June 20</b> Pre-set up inside (milk crates, tubs etc..)	<b>June 21</b> Set up inside  9:00 - 2:00	<b>June 26</b> <b>INTAKE</b>  9:00 - 2:00	<b>June 27</b> <b>INTAKE</b>  9:00 - 2:00 <i>Workers Lunch</i>	<b>June 28</b> <b>INTAKE</b>  9:00 - 2:00
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>June 30</b> <b>INTAKE</b>  9:00 - 2:00	<b>July 1</b> <b>INTAKE</b>  9:00 - 2:00	<b>July 2</b> <b>INTAKE</b>  9:00 - 2:00 <i>Workers Lunch</i>	<b>July 3</b> <b>CLOSED</b>  Sort & Price	<b>July 4</b> <b>HOLIDAY</b>	<b>July 5</b> <b>CLOSED</b>  Sort & Price
<b>July 7</b> <b>CLOSED</b> Sort & Price  Move Art to Narthex  Clean up and Finalize Inside	<b>July 8</b> 8 am put up Sport Goods, Coffee, Plant Tents  Big Tents 5-7 pm Baked Goods Tent Toy Fly and all Tables	<b>July 9</b> <b>CLOSED</b> Sort & Price  Finalize any Remaining Outside Set-up	<b>July 10</b> <b>SET-UP</b> <b>OUTSIDE</b> <b>8:00 AM</b>  <i>Workers Lunch</i>	<b>July 11</b> <b>SALE DAY</b> 9-2 pm	<b>July 12</b> <b>SALE DAY</b> 8-12pm  CLEAN UP AND SNACKS after 12 pm



## New Members Sunday

We will be receiving new members into our fellowship of faith on  
Sunday, May 18th at our 10:00 am worship service.

We hope you will consider joining FCCOL on this day!

As for the word “membership,” we know there are those who get hung up on the word and who feel resistance to the very notion of membership. That’s because in many parts of our lives it suggests something transactional, dues and obligations owed in exchange for some kind of (exclusive) right of access. That’s not how it is for us. It’s simply a way to be more deeply in communion with one another, to build relationships, and to explore our faith journeys together. Let Steve, Laura or Carleen know if you would like to explore membership further. Please call the church at 860-434-8686 or email [fccol@fccol.org](mailto:fccol@fccol.org). Alternatively, you can just show up at the meeting and we will be glad to see you.

