

ANNOUNCEMENTS & FEEDBACK

HAPPY JANUARY BIRTHDAYS!!!

Billy Fogle 3rd; Elise Grace Leonardo 6th; Lillian Reynolds 9th; Megan Eno 10th; Bill Irving 16th; Erin Corbett 25th; Hillary Laubach 27th.

CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS: Church School will resume in February. Many thanks to Tina Santiago for spearheading the school.

If church is closed due to weather, we will announce it on the TV stations (NBC 30 Channel 4 and WFSB Hartford Channel 3), but the first way to know is to check the church answering machine! Closing are always announced on the machine! And we will try to call those who are regulars.

ATTENTION: The church's Annual Meeting will be held immediately following worship on Sunday, March 2nd at approximately 11 AM. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW:

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| Sun. Jan. 19 | 10 AM | Worship |
| Sun. Jan. 26 | 10 AM | Worship |
| Sun. Feb. 2 | 10 AM | Worship |
| Sun. Feb. 9 | 10 AM | Worship |
| Sun. Feb. 16 | 10 AM | Worship |
| Wed. Feb. 19 | 7 PM | Church Council Meeting |
| Sun. Feb. 23 | 10 AM | Worship |
| Sun. Mar 2 | 10 AM | Worship |
| Sun. Mar. 2 | 11 AM | Annual Meeting |
| Wed. Mar. 19 | 7 PM | Church Council Meeting |
| May 3 | | Possible Rummage Sale.... |

Reverend Carolyn Johns

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Rev. Johns' church office hours: Thursday's 10 AM to 3 PM

Regular Office Hours Tues & Thurs. 11:30 to 2:00 PM

Wed & Fri.: 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM

First Congregational Church of Lyme

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Reverend Carolyn Johns, Acting Pastor
January 19, 2014



Welcome!

We, the members of the First Congregational Church of Lyme, CT, interpreting the Bible in the context of its times and our time and following the teachings and example of Jesus, declare our church to be an Open and Affirming church, actively expressing Jesus' inclusive embrace of all people. We acknowledge God's acceptance of every individual and Jesus' commandment to love one another. Therefore, this church welcomes heterosexual, gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender individuals to worship and enter into the full life and ministry of our church. In our community of faith, all people are encouraged to participate and share their talents and energy in worship and sacraments, leadership positions, ordained ministry, lay ministry, learning, service, mission, and fellowship. Further, persons of every gender, mental and physical ability, age, race, nationality, economic and social status, faith background, marital standing, and family structure are welcome in our church community; and the First Congregational Church of Lyme invites all to share in the life, leadership, ministry, fellowship, worship, sacraments, responsibilities, blessings, and joys of our congregation.

**The First Congregational Church of Lyme
United Church of Christ**

**Rev. Carolyn Johns, Acting pastor
Rebecca M. Blomgren, Organist**

Sunday, January 19, 2014 at 10:00 AM

**Please stand if you are able*

"Prelude: I Need Thee Every Hour Dale Wood

Welcome, Time of Greeting, Announcements

Call to Worship:

Leader: A word spoken, a voice heard,

People: A dream revealed, a mission received.

Leader: God calls, again and again.

People: God beckons us to follow.

Leader: To love, to serve,

People: To give, again and again.

Leader: God invites us to embrace the lonely,

People: To feed the hungry, to tell the Good News of Jesus,

ALL: To love and serve, and to sing praises all our days.

*Hymn: "You Servants of God" Chalice RED #110

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

*Hymn: "I Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" Chalice RED # 517

Offering: Amazing Grace/Kum Ba Yah Choir
Arranged by Lon Beery and Sandra Berry Musser

*Doxology Chalice RED #46

Offering Prayer

Scripture: John 1: 29-42

Sermon: "The Invitation" Rev. Carolyn Johns

*Hymn: "They'll Know We are Christians by Our Love"
Chalice RED #494

*Benediction

*Response: "O Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life" Chalice RED#432
"O Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life, be with us now, we pray;
direct our steps as we go forth to do your will this day."

Postlude: Allegro Arcangelo Corelli

PRAYERS: Family and friends of Doad Jewett; F & f of Carroll Johnston; F & f of Jeffrey Peloquin; Frank Sutton (stroke); Helen Younger; Jack Leonardo; Michael Sutton (recurrence of cancer); Dr. Bill; Cindy Fogle and Cindy's mom (Harrington Court, Colchester).

***Please visit or send Dr. Bill a card at:
Crescent Point, 414 Main Street, Niantic, CT 06357***