

ANNOUNCEMENTS & FEEDBACK

HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAYS!!!
 Faith Hendrix-Keel 2nd; Mike Sutton 3rd;
 Bruce Grey 4th; Margo Shay 11th;
 Ashley Hendrix-Keel 14th; Rich
 Clippinger 29th.

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

We will participate in the Easter Sunrise
 Service at Gillette Castle this year. More
 information to follow or see Carolyn.

We have new sign up sheets for Coffee
 Hour, Greeter and Flowers. Please take a
 look and sign up for a date or two.

The annual CWS CROP Walk will be held on
 Good Friday, April 18th at 10 AM. It will begin
 at St. Ann's Church in Old Lyme and will go to
 the OL Congregational Church and back (about
 3 miles). For more information, see Laura Beth.

Please see the notice on the bulletin board about
 Mission 4/1 Earth 2014. Let Carolyn know if
 you are interested in becoming involved.

Many thanks to Sandy and Shirley P. for
 assisting with communion today.

Please sign up to bring a dish for the Palm
 Sunday brunch. The sign up sheet is in the
 Fellowship hall. Questions: Tina Santiago 860-
 434-5404.

IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW:

TODAY	10 AM	Worship, Communion
Sun. Apr. 13	10 AM	Worship, Palm Sunday, Brunch!!
	4 PM	NL Community Meal Center (see Rich)
Fri. Apr. 18	10 AM	CROP Walk in Old Lyme (see Laura Beth)
Sun. Apr 20	10 AM	Worship, Easter Sunday, Annual Egg Hunt
Sun. Apr. 27	10 AM	Worship
Sun. May 4	10 AM	Worship
Sat. May 10	9 AM -1 PM	<i>Spring Rummage Sale</i>

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Rev. Johns' church office hours: Thursday's 10 AM to 3 PM
Regular Office Hours Tues 11:30 to 2:00 PM
Wed, Thurs. & Fri.: 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM

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Reverend Carolyn Johns, Acting Pastor
April 4, 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
Garrett Artman, Organist**

Sunday, April 4, 2014 at 10:00 AM

**Please stand if you are able*

Prelude

Welcome, Time of Greeting, Announcements

Call to Worship:

Leader: Now is the time

People: to awake from our sleeping,

Leader: Throw off our fears,.

People: Discard our excuses.

Leader: Now is the time

People: to walk toward freedom,

Leader: To believe in new life,

People: to turn away from dead ends,

Leader: to live new possibilities,

People: To sing new songs.

Leader: Now is the time

ALL: to open our hearts to our awesome God

*Hymn: "This is a Day of New Beginnings" Chalice RED # 518

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: "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" Chalice RED # 85

Offering: "A Hymn of Joy We Sing"

*Doxology Chalice RED #46

Offering Prayer

Scripture: Passages from John 11: 1-45

Sermon: "Bound to be Saved" Rev. Carolyn Johns

Communion ~ Absolutely All are Welcome to Receive

*Hymn: "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" Chalice RED # 254

*Benediction: "Peace Be Upon You" Chalice RED #441

"Peace be upon you and guard you forever.
Go in the knowledge that God is with you."

Postlude

PRAYERS: F & f of Janice Scheibler (Stacey Leonardo's mother); Nivea Santiago; F & F of Richard Brown (Cindy Fogle's uncle); Lorraine Grey; John and Tina Lemieux; Cindy Fogle; Francis Rand; Family and friends of Tony Camarra; F & f of Gerald Dahlke; Ellie Sutton; F & f of Doad Jewett; F & f of Jeffrey Peloquin; Pat Sutton (surgery on 3/13); Helen Younger; Jack Leonardo; Michael Sutton (recurrence of cancer); Dr. Bill; and Cindy's mom (Harrington Court, Colchester)

Lorraine Grey
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