

ANNOUNCEMENTS & FEEDBACK

PRAYERS: Family & friends of Gertrude Emerson; Megan Eno (broken hand); Rev. Dr. Mike Penn-Strah (knee injury); Patrick & Michael Sutton; Bobby Gustafson; Francis Rand (fall); Charlotte Beers; Gerry Beers; Linda Courtney; Dr. Bill; Phyllis Keel; Cindy Fogle; and Graham Moore (Megan Eno's brother).

If church needs to be cancelled due to inclement weather, the announcement will be made in 3 ways: You can check the church answering machine, or it will be announced on NBC 30 (Channel 4) or WFSB Hartford (Channel 3).

Church School News: We will be meeting twice a month. Children will come to church at 10 AM and remain until after the children's sermon. The children will then go to the Sunday School room for the remainder of the time. Each week the children will read a bible story & create a craft. Juice & snacks are provided.

Church School Schedule:

Today & April 28
May 26 (possible brunch)

COUNCIL MEETING THIS MONTH! The next **Church Council Meeting will be on April 17 at 7 PM in the Fellowship Hall.**

HAPPY APRIL BIRTHDAYS! Faith Hendrik-Keel 2nd; Mike Sutton 3rd; Bruce Grey 4th; **Doad Jewett is 100 years old on the 11th!!**; Marguerite Shay 11th; Chelsea Evankow 11th; Ashley Hendrik-Keel 14th; Jay Fogle 29th; and Rich Clippinger 29th.

IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW:

TODAY	10 AM	Worship-Charlotte Reynolds Baptism-Church School and Communion
Thurs. Apr. 11		Doad Jewett's 100th Birthday!!
Fri. Apr. 12	7:30 PM	Wally Lamb lecture in Fellowship Hall
Sun. Apr. 14	10 AM	Worship
Sun. Apr. 21	10 AM	Worship
Sun. Apr. 28	10 AM	Worship-Church School

Reverend Carolyn Johns

Emergencies & Home Office Phone: 203-453-3325

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

Regular Office Hours Tues 11:30 to 2:30 PM

Wed - Thur - Fri 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM

First Congregational Church of Lyme

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Reverend Carolyn Johns, Acting Pastor

April 7, 2013



Drawing by Alta Bauer

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, April 7, 2013 10:00 AM

**Asterisk means please stand if you are able.*

Second Sunday of Easter

Prelude: "Now The Green Blade Rises" arr Joe Cox

Welcome, Time of Greeting, Announcements

Call to Worship: (from Psalm 150)

Leader: Praise be to God!

Praise God in God's own sanctuary;

Praise God in the mighty firmament!

People: Praise God for god's mighty deeds;

Praise God according to God's surpassing greatness!

Leader: Praise God with trumpet sound;

Praise God with lute and harp!

People: Praise God with tambourine and dance;

Praise God with strings and pipe!

Leader: Praise God with clanging cymbals;

Praise God with loud clashing cymbals!

ALL: Let everything that breathes praise God!

Praise be to God!

*Hymn: "He Lives"

Chalice RED # 226

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 Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry" Chalice RED # 75

Baptism of Charlotte Elizabeth Reynolds

See Insert

Offering: "Mary Told the Good News"

John Horman

Duet: Becky Blomgren & Laurie Sulger

*Doxology

Chalice RED #46

Offering Prayer

Scripture: Acts 5: 27-32

Meditation: "Callings to the Holy Spirit"

Rev. Carolyn Johns

Communion ~ Absolutely All are Welcome to Receive

*Hymn: "This Is a Day of New Beginnings"

Chalice RED # 518

*Benediction

*Response: "Shalom to You"

Chalice RED # 436

"Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends. May God's full mercies bless you, my friends. In all your living and through your loving, Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom."

Postlude: "Jubilate Deo"

W.A. Mozart

Many thanks to Shirley Latham & Susan Peloquin
for assisting with communion this morning.

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