

ANNOUNCEMENTS & FEEDBACK

HAPPY APRIL BIRTHDAYS!!! Mike Sutton 3rd; Bruce Grey 4th; Jay Fogle 29th; and Rich Clippinger 29th.

Communion will be the first Sunday of the month. See Len or Shirley if you would like to help.

The next New London Community Meal Center is TODAY. Please let Rich know if you can help with food prep, serving at the Center or providing desserts. Rich 860-861-3672.

There is a church council meeting next Thursday, April 15 at 7 PM. Get your taxes done early so you can come!

IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW:

Sun. Apr. 12	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Elizabeth Gleich
	4 PM	NL Community Meal Center (see Rich)
Wed. Apr. 15	7 PM	Church Council Meeting
Sun. Apr. 19	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Rev. Susan Olson
Sun. Apr. 26	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Stacie Vos
Sun. May 3	10 AM***	Worship, Guest pastor: Rev. Susan Olson
Sun. May 10	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Stacie Vos
Sun. May 17	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Rev. Susan Olson
Sun. May 24	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Stacie Vos
Sun May 31	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Jacob Stubbs
Sun. Jun 7	10 AM***	Worship, Guest pastor: Rev. Susan Olson
Sun. Jun 14	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Jacob Stubbs
Sun. Jun 21	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Rev. Susan Olson
Sun. Jun 28	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: TBD
Sun July 5	10 AM***	Worship, Guest pastor: Rev. Susan Olson
Sun. July 12	10 AM	Worship: Guest pastor: TBD
Sun July 19	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Rev. Susan Olson
Sun. July 26	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: TBD

Communion Sunday

**If there is an emergency, please contact
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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
Elizabeth Gleich, Guest pastor
Garrett Artman, Organist

Sunday, April 12, 2015 at 10 AM
**Asterisk means please stand if you are able.*

Prelude

Welcome, Time of Greeting, Announcements

Call to Worship:

On: This is a new day.

People: The day of the risen Christ!

One: Christ lives in our hearts and in our world.

People: Christ lives. Let us love our neighbors!

One: Christ lives. Let us share God's abundance.

People: Christ lives. Let us care for God's creation!

One: Christ lives. Let us rejoice!

People: Christ lives. Let us worship God!

ALL: Alleluia! Thanks be to God.

*Hymn

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

Offering Invitation

*Doxology

Offering Prayer

Chalice RED #46

Scripture: John 20:19-31

Sermon: "Faith and Doubt"

Elizabeth Gleich

*Hymn

*Benediction

*Response: "Go in Peace"

Chalice RED # 445

"Go in peace and the peace of God be with you this day. Go in peace and the peace of God be with you always. Celebrate and share the joy! Celebrate new life! Go in peace and the peace of God be with you always."

Postlude

Please welcome back to the pulpit, our guest pastor: Elizabeth Gleich is in her last year of seminary at Yale Divinity School, earning her Masters in Divinity (M.Div.). Looking ahead, Elizabeth is hoping to do a Clinical Pastoral Education (chaplaincy) residency at a hospital next fall. She is from Minnesota and enjoyed our snowy winter!!

Prayers: **Friends & Family of Margaret & Frank Skwarek; Francis Rand; Jack Leonardo; Michael Sutton; and Dr. Bill.**