

ANNOUNCEMENTS & FEEDBACK

PRAYERS: Family & friends of Edith Stone (Shelley Bochain's mother); F & f of Gail Wadlin Joslin; Gary Reynolds; Jack Leonardo; Dee Firglewski; Cooie Harper; Pat Berry; Elaine Muszynski (surgery 5/16); Michael Sutton (recurrence of cancer); Francis Rand (fall); Charlotte Beers; Gerry Beers; Dr. Bill; Phyllis Keel; Cindy Fogle and Cindy's mom (Harrington Court, Colchester).

Our summer worship service time of 9:30 AM has begun and continues through Labor Day. Regular worship hour of 10 AM will resume on September 8.

The next Church Council Meeting will be THIS WEEK, Thursday, June 20th at 7 PM in the

Adult Education has ended for the season. It will resume in the fall.

The Old Lyme Visiting Nurse Association donated a new portable wheelchair to our church. It is stored in the passageway between the Fellowship Hall and the Kitchen. We are getting rid of the old wheelchair. If anyone would like it or if anyone knows someone who needs it, please see Carolyn. It is free.

HAPPY JUNE BIRTHDAYS! Ryann Montesanto 3rd; Courtney Santiago 3rd; Scott Keel 9th; and Lorraine Grey 23rd.

IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW:

Sun. June 16	9:30 AM	Worship
Thurs. June 20	7 PM	Council Meeting—Fellowship Hall
June 25 to July 2	Office closed except Thursday (Connie on vacation)	
Sun. June 23	9:30 AM	Worship
Sun. Jun 30	9:30 AM	Worship
Sun. July 7	9:30 AM	Worship, Leif Sullivan baptism
Sun. July 21	9:30 AM	Worship
Sun. July 28	9:30 AM	Worship
Sun. Aug 4	9:30 AM	Worship
Sun. Aug 11	9:30 AM	Worship
Sun. Aug 18	NO CHURCH—HAMBURG FAIR	
Fri. Aug. 23	7 PM	Bob Ballard lecture
Sun. Aug. 25	9:30 AM	Worship

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 to Fri 11:00 to 2:00 PM

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Reverend Carolyn Johns, Acting Pastor
June 16, 2013



“Return of the Prodigal Son” by Friedrich Olivier

The First Congregational Church of Lyme
United Church of Christ
Rev. Carolyn Johns, Acting pastor
Rebecca M. Blomgren, Organist

Sunday, June 16, 2013

*Please stand if you are able

Happy Father's Day

Prelude: "Summer Morning" Edvard Grieg

Welcome, Time of Greeting, Announcements

Call to Worship:

Leader: Welcome home.

People: God bids us to come

Leader: Find rest for our weariness,

People: Find peace deeper than our worry.

Leader: Welcome home,

People: All you lost, wandering or stuck in despair.

Leader: Welcome

**People: To God's arms, as wide as a father's care,
As warm as a mother's love.**

*Hymn: "All Creatures of Our God and King" Chalice RED # 22

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: "O God, How We Have Wandered" NCH BLACK # 202

Offering: "Amazing Grace/Kum Bah Ya" arr Lon Beery

*Doxology Chalice RED #46

Offering Prayer

Scripture: Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32

Sermon: "The Prodigal Son" Rev. Carolyn Johns

*Hymn: "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" Chalice RED # 65

*Benediction

*Response: "Leaning on Everlasting Arms" Chalice RED #560
"What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms; what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms. Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms; leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms."

Postlude: "Siciliano" John Stanley

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.