

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.

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:

June 25 to July 3	Office closed except Thursday (Connie on vacation) The answering machine & email will be checked daily.
TODAY	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 23, 2013



“The Tower of Babel” by Tobias Verhaecht

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

Sunday, June 23, 2013

*Please stand if you are able

Prelude

Welcome, Time of Greeting, Announcements

Call to Worship:

Leader: We gather for worship as children of God.

People: We come to remember who and whose we are.

Leader: We gather for worship to be renewed in our faith.

People: We come with hearts open to receive God's love.

Leader: We gather for worship to catch a vision of what might be.

People: We come ready to change what is.

Leader: We gather for worship in gratitude for all we have been given.

People: With thanksgiving, we lift our voices in songs of praise.

*Hymn: "We Have Gathered, Jesus Dear" NCH BLACK # 74

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 Will Trust in the Lord"

NCH BLACK #416

Offering: Hymn Medley

*Doxology

Chalice RED # 46

Offering Prayer

Scripture: Genesis 11: 1-9

Sermon: "The Tower of Babel"

Rev. Carolyn Johns

*Hymn: "God Reigns o'er All the Earth"

NCH BLACK #21

*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

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.