

ANNOUNCEMENTS & FEEDBACK

PRAYERS: Dick and Helen Younger; Family & friends of Gary Reynolds; Jack Leonardo; 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.

NO Church Council meeting in August.

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

HAPPY AUGUST BIRTHDAY!!! Paul Kotowski 4th; Shirley Latham 18th; and Morgan Ely 25th.

The LOL Middle School French Club will be selling decorated Christmas wreaths for \$25 in November as a fundraiser to send kids to France next March. They need to know how many they will sell now so they can order the greens. If you would like to support this fundraiser by purchasing a wreath in November, please let Connie know by leaving a note on her desk or emailing her. Thanks!

IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW:

TODAY	9:30 AM	Worship
TODAY	4:00 PM	New London Meal Center -see Rich Clippinger
Sun. Aug 18	NO CHURCH—HAMBURG FAIR	
Fri. Aug. 23	7 PM	Bob Ballard lecture
Sun. Aug. 25	9:30 AM	Worship
Sun. Sept 1	9:30 AM	Worship
Fri. Sept. 6	7:30 PM	Mystery Writer's Lecture
Sun. Sept 8	10 AM	Worship***returns to 10 AM
Sun. Sept. 15	10 AM	Worship
Thurs. Sept 19	7 PM	Church Council Meeting
Sun. Sept 22	10 AM	Worship
Sat. Sept. 28	9 AM to 1 PM	Fall Rummage Sale—See Jason Lathrop
Sun. Sept. 29	10 AM	Worship

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Reverend Carolyn Johns, Acting Pastor
August 11, 2013



“Moses and the Burning Bush”
Virgo Clemons

Reverend Carolyn Johns

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

Regular Office Hours Tues to Fri 11:30 to 2:00 PM

The First Congregational Church of Lyme

United Church of Christ

Rev. Carolyn Johns, Acting pastor

Rebecca M. Blomgren, Organist

Sunday, August 11, 2013 at 9:30 AM

*Please stand if you are able

Prelude

Welcome, Time of Greeting, Announcements

Call to Worship:

Leader: Moses was drawn by the sight of a burning bush,
where God said to him,

**People: "Come no closer! Remove your sandals,
for you are standing on holy ground."**

Leader: The Lord continued,

**People: "I am the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham,
the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob."**

Leader: Moses was afraid and hid his face.

People: But, the Lord continued,

Leader: "I have seen the misery of my people; I have heard their cry,
I know their sufferings,

People: I have come to deliver my people out of their bondage."

Leader: Today we stand on holy ground, and again by the grace
of God can be delivered from our bondage.

ALL: Amen.

*Hymn: "I Cannot Dance, O Love"

Chalice RED # 290

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: "Go Down, Moses"

Chalice RED # 663

Offering

*Doxology

Chalice RED #46

Offering Prayer

Scripture: Exodus 3-4

Sermon: "The Burning Bush"

Rev. Carolyn Johns

*Hymn: "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" Chalice RED #66

*Benediction

*Response: "Shalom to You Now"

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

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.