

ANNOUNCEMENTS & FEEDBACK

HAPPY SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS!!!

Cindy Fogle 2nd; James Dahlke 7th;
Francis Rand 13th; Charlie Montesanto
16th; Ellie Sutton 19th; Emily House 28th.

Our "Hungry Bag" mission has begun..
Please fill the bags with groceries for the
Food Pantry and return the full bags by
October 12, 2014

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

Please help with coffee hour!!! It doesn't take
much time and we have fun doing it! We
especially need a hand during clean up. Thanks
for your help!

Please see the sign up sheets in the Fellowship
Hall for ushers, coffee hour and altar flowers. We
would love for you to sign up for a week or two.
Thanks again!

Altar flowers are a nice way to help with the
worship service. Please sign up for a week!

IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW:

TODAY	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Michael Carlson
Sun. Oct. 5	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Kristen Provost Switzer
Sun. Oct. 12	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Elizabeth Gleich
Sun. Oct. 19**	10 AM**	Worship, Guest Pastor: Rev. Susan Olson
Wed. Oct. 22	7 PM	Church Council Meeting
Sun. Oct. 26	10 AM	Worship, Guest Pastor: Rev. Susan Olson
Sun. Nov. 2	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Jacob Stubbs
Sun. Nov. 9	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Stacie Vos
Sun. Nov. 16**	10 AM**	Worship, Guest pastor: Rev. Susan Olson
Wed. Nov. 19	7 PM	Church Council Meeting
Sun. Nov. 23	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Rev. Susan Olson
Sun. Nov. 30	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Kristen Provost Switzer
Sun. Dec. 7	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Rev. Susan Olson
Sun. Dec. 14	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Miriam Samuelson
Sun. Dec. 17	7 PM	Church Council Meeting
Sun. Dec. 21**	10 AM**	Worship, Guest pastor: Rev. Susan Olson
Sun. Dec. 24	5 PM	Christmas Eve Candlelight service
Sun. Dec. 27	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Emily Bjornberg

Communion Sunday

**If there is an emergency, please contact
Connie Hurtt at
Cell: 860-917-7102 or Home: 860-434-8445**

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September 28, 2014



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
Michael Carlson, guest pastor
Garrett Artman, Organist

Sunday, September 28, 2014 at 10 AM
**Asterisk means please stand if you are able.*

Prelude

Welcome, Time of Greeting, Announcements

Call to Worship: (From Psalm 138)

Leader: I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with all my heart,
For you have heard the words of my mouth;

**People: I will worship at your holy temple
And give thanks to your name.**

Leader: Because of your kindness and your truth;
for you have made great above all things your name
and your promise.

**People: All the kings of the earth shall give thanks to you, O LORD
when they hear the words of your mouth;**

Leader: They shall sing of the ways of the LORD
“Great is the glory of the LORD”

**People: When I called, you answered me;
you built up strength within me.**

*Hymn: “Give Thanks for Life” Chalice RED# 649

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: “Holy Ground” Chalice RED# 112

Offering Invitation: “Spirit”
*Doxology Chalice RED #46
Offering Prayer

Scripture: Matthew 21:33-43

Sermon: “God Who Makes All Things New” Michael Carlson

*Hymn: “When, in Awe of God’s Creation” Chalice # 688

*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 our guest pastor. Hailing from Illinois, Michael
Carlson is pursuing a master’s degree in Theology from Yale Divinity
School. A former high school teacher and Jesuit novice, he is grateful
for the ecumenical welcome to him by the First Congregational
Church of Lyme.

Prayers: Lillian and Norm Misheloff; Francis Rand; Pat Sutton; Jack
Leonardo; Michael Sutton (recurrence of cancer); and Dr. Bill.