

ANNOUNCEMENTS & FEEDBACK

HAPPY OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS!!!

Puchita Ely 2nd; Anthony Santiago 4th;
Charlotte Beers 13th; Brook & William
Burgess 14th; Brittany Santiago 16th;
Bruce & Lorraine Grey's anniversary 18th;
Leif Sullivan 19th and Frank Sutton 25th..

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: 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
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October 5, 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
Kristen Provost Switzer, guest pastor
Garrett Artman, Organist

Sunday, October 5, 2014 at 10 AM
**Asterisk means please stand if you are able.*

Prelude

Welcome, Time of Greeting, Announcements

Call to Worship:

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God.

People: May our worship reflect God's glory.

Leader: The firmament proclaims God's handiwork.

People: May we see each other as the handiwork of God.

Leader: Let our prayer and praise, our singing and proclamation project the love of God.

People: We commune with Christians around the world, with Christians throughout time.

Leader: With Christians across geography and across time,

People: Let us worship!

*Hymn: "Christians We Have Met to Worship" Chalice RED# 277

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: "Christ Will Come Again"

NCH BLACK # 608

Offering Invitation

*Doxology

Offering Prayer

Chalice RED #46

Scripture: Matthew 13: 24-30

Sermon: "What's Eating That Guy?"

Kristen Provost Switzer

*Hymn: "Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether"

NCH BLACK # 337

*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. Kristen Provost Switzer is finishing up her seminary education at Yale Divinity School. When she is not in class, she serves as the Abraham's Tent Coordinator (a program that houses homeless folks in the winter) for Columbus House, a 501 (C-3) in New Haven. She is married to Scott and together they enjoy their two cats, fostering dogs (most recently a pit bull named Hank!), hiking and cooking vegetarian food. Kristen is happy to be worshipping with this faith community this morning!

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