

ANNOUNCEMENTS & FEEDBACK

HAPPY OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS!!!

Charlotte Beers 13th; Brook & William Burgess 14th; Brittany Santiago 16th; August Brown 16th; Frank Sutton 25th.

Sat. Nov. 2nd is Health & Wellness Day sponsored by the Old Lyme Visiting Nurse Association at Christ the King Church. See the bulletin board for full information.

CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS: We will be meeting twice a month. Children will come to Church at 10 AM and remain until after the children's sermon, then go to the Sunday School room for the remainder of the time. Each week the children will read a bible story & create a craft. Juice & snacks are provided. All are welcome!

Schedule for Church School:
 October: 20
 November: 3 (Brunch) & 10
 December: 1, 8, 15 (Pageant & Brunch)
 January: Break
 More dates to be added for Feb to May.

Adult Education will resume again soon.

IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW:

TODAY	10 AM	Worship/Church School
Sun. Oct. 27	10 AM	Worship
Fri. Nov. 1	5 PM	"13 Clocks" Play
Sat. Nov. 2	5 PM	"13 Clocks" Play
Sun. Nov. 3	10 AM	Worship/Church School/Brunch
Sun. Nov. 10	10 AM	Worship/Church School
Sun. Nov. 17	10 AM	Worship
Sun. Nov. 24	10 AM	Worship
Thurs. Nov. 28		Thanksgiving

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**Reverend Carolyn Johns, Acting Pastor
 October 20, 2013**



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.

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, October 20, 2013 at 10:00 AM
*Please stand if you are able

Prelude

Welcome, Time of Greeting, Announcements

Call to Worship:

Leader: God, the Three-in-One, is the source and cultivator of our faith.

People: Lord, increase our faith!

Leader: We only need a small amount, a mustard-seed's worth.

People: Then we can command mulberry trees to uproot themselves.

Leader: God has filled us with the power to be his servants.

ALL: Faith-full, we serve. Yes!

*Hymn: "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Chalice RED # 4

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: "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

Chalice RED # 628

Offering

*Doxology

Chalice RED #46

Offering Prayer

Scripture: Luke 18: 1-8

Sermon: "Persistent Prayer"

Rev. Carolyn Johns

*Hymn: "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

Chalice RED # 576

*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

PRAYERS: Lorrie King; Frank Sutton (stroke); Family and friends of Dick Younger; Jack Leonardo; Michael Sutton (recurrence of cancer); Francis Rand (fall); Dr. Bill; Phyllis Keel; Cindy Fogle and Cindy's mom (Harrington Court, Colchester).