

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & FEEDBACK

### HAPPY NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS!!!

Sharlie Berringer 4th; Connie Hurtt 19th; Carol Dahlke 23rd; Barbara Gustafson 25th; Jason Lathrop 28th.

Adult Education will resume again soon.

### PRAISE SERVICE!!

Michael Brelsford

Sunday,  
November 17th at 10 AM

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

### IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW:

TODAY	10 AM	Worship/Church School/Brunch
Sun. Nov. 10	10 AM	Worship/Church School
Sun. Nov. 17	10 AM	<b><i>Praise Service!! Featuring Michael Brelsford!</i></b>
Sun. Nov. 24	10 AM	Worship
Thurs. Nov. 28		Thanksgiving
Sun. Dec. 1	10 AM	Worship, Church School (pageant practice), Laura Fitzpatrick-Nager, guest preacher
Sun. Dec. 8	10 AM	Worship, Church School (pageant practice) Emily Bjornberg, guest preacher
Sun. Dec. 15	10 AM	Worship, Pageant, Brunch
Sun. Dec. 22	10 AM	Worship
Tues. Dec. 24	5 PM	Candlelight Christmas Eve Worship
Wed. Dec. 25		Christmas Day
Sun. Dec. 29	10 AM	Worship

### Reverend Carolyn Johns

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

**Regular Office Hours Tues & Thurs. 11:30 to 2:00 PM**

**Wed & Fri.: 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM**

# First Congregational Church of Lyme

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**Reverend Carolyn Johns, Acting Pastor**  
**November 3, 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.

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

**Sunday, November 3, 2013 at 10:00 AM**

\*Please stand if you are able

Prelude:

Welcome, Time of Greeting, Announcements

Call to Worship:

Leader: Though we think we are not important  
and try to hide from You, O God,

**People: We cannot escape your love or presence.**

Leader: Come in the power of your spirit, O God,

**People: That we might be moved from our hiding place  
and meet You here in worship.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

\*Hymn: "O Worship the King" Chalice RED # 17

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 Spirit, Truth Divine" Chalice RED # 241

Offering

\*Doxology Chalice RED #46

Offering Prayer

Scripture: Luke 19: 1-10

Sermon: "Out on a Limb" Rev. Carolyn Johns

A Time for Remembering

\*Hymn: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" Chalice RED # 585

\*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

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Please welcome our friend, Flora Kyle,  
who is substituting on the organ today.

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