

## 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
Sun. Nov. 17	10 AM	<b><i>Praise Service!! Featuring Michael Brelsford!</i></b>
Wed. Nov. 20	7 PM	Church Council Meeting
Sun. Nov. 24	10 AM	Worship
Sun. Nov. 24	7 PM	Grassy Hill Church Thanksgiving Service
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 10, 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 10, 2013 at 10:00 AM**

\*Please stand if you are able

Prelude: Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken Franz J. Haydn

Welcome, Time of Greeting, Announcements

Call to Worship:

Leader: We worship the God who inhabits our world  
And who dwells in our lives.

**People: We need not look up to find God, we need only look around,  
within ourselves, beyond ourselves, and in the eyes of  
another.**

Leader: We need not listen for distant thunder to find God,  
we need only listen to the music of life,  
the words of children, the rhythm of a heart beat.

**People: We worship the God who inhabits our world  
and who faithfully dwells in our lives.**

\*Hymn: "I'll Praise My Maker" Chalice RED # 20

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: "I WEas There to Hear Your Borning Cry" Chalice RED # 75

Offering: We Will Lift Up the Name of the Lord" Mosie Lister

\*Doxology Chalice RED #46

Offering Prayer

Scripture: Luke 20: 27-38

Sermon: "God of the Living" Rev. Carolyn Johns

A Time for Remembering

\*Hymn: "Nearer, My God, to Thee" Chalice RED # 577

\*Benediction

\*Response: "May the Blessing of God" Chalice RED #448  
"May the blessing of God go before you. May her grace and  
peace abound. May her Spirit live within you. May her love  
wrap you 'round. May her blessing remain with you always.  
May you walk on holy ground."

Postlude

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**PRAYERS:** Family and friends of Carroll Johnston; F & f 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).