

ANNOUNCEMENTS & FEEDBACK

HAPPY NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS!!!
 Sharlie Barringer 4th; Connie Hurtt 19th;
 Carol Dahlke 23rd; Barbara Gustafson
 25th; Sarah Glover 25th; and Jason
 Lathrop 28th.

Communion dates: December 21; Feb. 1;
 Mar.1). See Len or Shirley if you would
 like to help.

Cindy's memorial service will be next
 Saturday, Nov. 22 at 2 PM in the
 Meetinghouse.

Please help with coffee hour, altar flowers and
 ushering!!! It doesn't take much time and we
 have fun doing it! We especially need a hand
 during clean up. Please use the sign up sheets in
 the Fellowship Hall. Thanks for your help!

On Tuesday, Nov. 25 at 7 PM, the Council of
 Churches (of which Lyme Church is a member)
 will have an ecumenical Thanksgiving service at
 Christ the King at 7 PM. All are welcome. If you
 would like to sing in the choir, please call Bill
 Thomas at 860-434-6268.

IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW:

TODAY	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Rev. Susan Olson
Tues. Nov. 25	7 PM	Ecumenical Thanksgiving service at Christ the King
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
Sun. Jan. 4	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Rev. Susan Olson
Sun. Jan 11	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Mary Barnett
Sun. Jan. 18	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Ashley Makar
Sun. Jan. 25	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Victoria Larsen
Sun. Feb. 1	10 AM***	Worship, Guest pastor: Rev. David Johnson
Sun. Feb 8	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Chauncey Harrison
Sun. Feb. 15	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Rev. David Johnson
Sun. Feb. 22	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Jacob Stubbs
Sun. Mar. 1	10 AM***	Worship, Guest pastor: Rev. Susan Olson
Sun. Mar. 8	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: open
Sun. March 15	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: Rev. Susan Olson
Sun. March 22	10 AM	Worship, Guest pastor: open

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

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November 23, 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
Rev. Susan Olson, Guest pastor
Garrett Artman, Organist

Sunday, November 23, 2014 at 10 AM
**Asterisk means please stand if you are able.*

Prelude

Welcome, Time of Greeting, Announcements

Call to Worship:

One: Blessed be the Lord God who looks with kindness on us.

**People: We are the inheritors of the promises
made long ago to our ancestors.**

One: Blessed be the Lord God who gathers us here in this place.

**People: From across the street, from halfway around the world,
God brings us home to the heart of grace.**

One: Blessed be the Lord God who has remembered us.

**People: Scoffers and singers, watchers and wigglers,
we are those redeemed by God.**

*Hymn

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

Offering Invitation:

*Doxology
Offering Prayer

Chalice RED #46

Scripture: Colossians 1: 11-20

Sermon: "When the bottom drops out"
(based on Psalm 46)

Rev. Susan Olson

*Hymn

*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 to the pulpit, our guest pastor:
Rev. Susan Olson is Assistant Dean of Students at Yale Divinity
School. Her previous calls include serving as chaplain to Wilson,
Wesley, Connecticut College and Yale University. She is ordained to
the Presbyterian Church, USA and lives in New Haven with her 8 year
old daughter, Selam.

Prayers: Family and friends of Cindy Harding Fogle; Michael Sutton
(recurrence of cancer); and Dr. Bill.

Many thanks to Shirley Latham for today's altar flowers in
memory of Sylvia Harding.