



Welcome to a church where everyone matters
and everyone belongs.

Prelude

5/21/17

Welcome

Leanne Connolly, Minister of Music

*I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart!
Down in my heart! Down in my heart!
I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart!
Down in my heart to stay!*

*And I'm so happy, so very happy
That I have the love of Jesus in my heart!
And I'm so happy, so very happy
That I have the love of Jesus in my heart!*

Light of Christ

****Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world
without end. Amen.***

Call to Worship/Prayer

Ann Harford

Leader: When the way is difficult, and the path is lonely, Jesus
says

People: I will not leave you alone.

Leader: When the journey is smooth, and the raveling is easy,
Jesus says,

People: I will not leave you alone.

Leader: When the horizon is far, and the call is clear, Jesus says,

People: I will not leave you alone.

Leader: Let us pray ... **Living God, move past our lack of faith
and be seen here, O Christ: seen beyond us, seen between us,
and seen within us. Move past the boundaries of our human
vision, and be present in Spirit and in truth as we worship you**

with Easter joy!

*Opening Hymn

#6 "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns

Above"

Anthem

"Tell Me More"

H. Hinnant

Junior Choir – directed by Leanne Connolly, Minister of Music

Children's Message

Debi Hockenberry,
Director of Christian Education

The Lord's Prayer (*unison*)

***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 debts, as
we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but
deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.***

(All children are invited downstairs for Sunday School.)

Scripture Acts 17:22-28a 1 Peter 3:13-17

Sermon

"Going Public"

Rev. SaraJane

Munshower

***Hymn #241** "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine"

Sharing of Joys and Concerns/Pastoral Prayer

Call to Offering

Offertory

"Enough with 'Tis so Sweet"

Tomlin/Giglio

*Doxology

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all
creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

***Prayer of Dedication (*unison*)**

**Holy One, through the offering of these gifts may we become
a more open people...open minded in hearing your Wisdom,
open hearted in sharing your Grace, open handed in offering
your Peace. Amen.**

***Closing Hymn #546** "Amazing Grace!"

*Benediction

Postludes

"In Faith the Victory"

Scott

"Go Forth in Faith"

Paxton

***All who are able are invited to stand.**

Today's Preludes

James Burr, organist

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"	Karvonen/Pethel
"Firm in the Faith I Stand"	Paxton
"Garden of Faith"	Nolte
"The Trumpet of Faith"	Wetherill
"Prelude on an Ascension Hymn"	Wilson
"Crown Him Lord of All"	Martin

We welcome The Rev. SaraJane Munshower to our pulpit this

morning. She is retired after twenty-six years in ministry, before and after ordination. SaraJane has served churches in CT, PA, and NY as an interim pastor after three years as the associate in Tolland. She offers spiritual companionship/direction in her Glastonbury home. She also leads retreat occasionally. SaraJane is an avid reader, enjoys photography, knitting prayer shawls, folding small boxes from calendars and books, and writing haiku. Two of her favorite places are Valley Forge Park, PA and Iona, Scotland. Rev. Munshower and her husband, Bruce, are members of First Church in Glastonbury and have two grown children who currently reside in CT.

In Our Ongoing Prayers

Sharon Uldrikis and **family** on the loss of her mother, Bertha Sullivan; **Rosemary** and **Bill Bogard**, Cathy Foote's parents; Gilmay Markunas and family – her father (Pepé) is in hospice care; Helen Dahling; Beth Hermann; Kathleen Gilbert, family friend of the Cimas; Mark McPartland and Doug Penhall, friends of Shar Christman; Elizabeth Fry; David Drouin; Doris Brown; Gregg Moffatt; Shirley Bryant; Amy Robinson; Dean Hockenberry; Steve Carr, Sr.; James Purnell; Julie, friend of the Turner family; Geraldine Strong; Helen Dyar; Dave Hollister; John Arthur; Dick Myer; Margaret Klukas; Paul Westerberg; people struggling with mental illness and their families; the people of Syria; Heidi Howie; Mason Bower; Martha Fowler; Michael Bebrin; Cooper Doyle

*New additions in **bold** print*

Reminder...Sunday School ends at 11:15 AM.

**Please join us downstairs after the service
for coffee and refreshments in Fellowship Hall.**

Today's Activities

Stop by the Board of Missions table during Coffee Hour to learn more about Journey Home. You will have the opportunity to sign up to donate new or gently-used items on the "registry list." We will also gladly accept Script-Your-All gift cards, monetary donations and offers to help deliver the household items.

Coffee and Conversation: Teddy Bear Fest during Coffee Hour. In order to keep this ministry going, we will be accepting monetary donations (please make checks payable to Women's Fellowship with "Teddy Bear Fund" in the memo) or new 10"-12" bears. Thank you to those who have given bears or money to replace those in the pews to be given to people in need of a hug. The bears go far and wide bringing a ministry of hope and love to people who are hurting.

Memorial Garden: 11:30 AM, Kellogg Hall

This Week's Activities

Bible Study: Monday, May 22, 11 AM, Kellogg Hall. All are welcome.

BCE: Monday, May 22, 6:30 PM, Kellogg Hall

Men's Breakfast Group: Tuesday, May 23, 6:30 AM, Vernon Diner

AA: Tuesday, May 23, 7 AM, Kellogg Hall

Grief Support Group: Tuesday, May 23, 10:30 AM, Library

Trustees: Wednesday, May 24, 6:30 PM, Kellogg Hall

S & E: Wednesday, May 24, 6:30 PM, Conference Room

Theology on Tap: Thursday, May 25, 6 PM, Mitchell's Restaurant

Sanc. Choir Rehearsal: Thursday, May 25, 7:30 PM, Kellogg Hall

Caring & Sharing Group: Friday, May 26, 10:30 AM, Kellogg Hall

VBS Reminder! May 31 is the deadline to register for Vacation Bible School. If you need a registration form, please see Debi Hockenberry.

Wanted! People interested in learning how to run our Sound System and/or act as back-up when someone needs to take a 10-minute break. If interested, contact Dave Allen, 860-944-1973 or dla647@comcast.net.

Calling all J*Walkrz! We have planned a trip to Laser Quest in Newington on June 4 at 2 PM. Fee is \$18, which includes 2 games. Ten spots have been saved and 4 are spoken for. Please let Debi Hockenberry know if you'd like to go. Bring a buddy. Friends are welcome!

9th Annual Golf Tournament, June 3, Willow Brook golf course in South Windsor. There is a need for golfers and people to sponsor a hole, a contest and lunch. Donations are needed for raffle prizes and silent auction items. Questions? Contact a committee member or Michelle

Bower (860-872-7274).

Women's Fellowship Scholarship - a \$500 scholarship available to a church member furthering their education. Applications may be picked up in the Church Office. Please return to the Women's Fellowship mailbox by May 31.

Pay It Forward Input Needed: We are trying something new for the summer. We are asking you to submit organizations that PIF can support. From June through August, we will draw the name of an organization and the following month, someone from the Stewardship Committee will present information on the organization. To make a suggestion, fill out an index card, found in the Narthex and place it in the white box located in the Narthex.

Women's Fellowship Retreat, October 13-14 at the Evangelical Christian Center in Ashford. Cost for overnight and meals is \$78. If interested, sign up on the sheet posted on the Women's Fellowship bulletin board. Questions? Contact Millie Oliphant (860-872-7106). Check out the venue at www.eccministries.org.

The **Care Network** is offered by the Deacons as a helping hand during difficult times. If you are in need of a ride to church, the doctor, hospital, grocery store, etc., in need of meals or a visit, contact Cheryl Purnell, 860-712-8124 or Sue Pilkons, 860-875-4122.

To request a visit with the pastor, please call the Church Office, 860-875-7580.

Child Care is available for church activities when notice is given 3 days prior to the event. Call Child Care Coordinator, Jen Jensen, 860-836-5824.

Heartsaver CPR/AED Classes: June 8 from 6:30-9:30 PM at the Public Safety Complex, 280 West Rd. Cost - \$35, part of which can be reimbursed by the Parish Nurses. Please contact Delythe Kracke [@delythek@yahoo.com](mailto:delythek@yahoo.com) for more information. You can also register at learncprvfd@yahoo.com.

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Tell Me More

by Henry Hinnant

Tell me more, I want to know more about Jesus
And the things that he did.

Tell the stories over and over of Jesus
And the way that he lived.

Tell me how he was born on a Christmas night,
How the shepherds were led by a star so bright.
Tell me more, I want to know more about Jesus;
I want to know more about Him

Tell me more, tell me more of the stories of Jesus
And that time long ago.

Still today, there's so much to say about Jesus.

Oh, I want to know

How he called to the poor humble fishermen,
How they put down their nets and they followed him.

Tell me more, I want to know more about Jesus;
I want to know more about him.

Tell me the story of Jesus,
Write on my heart ev'ry word;
Tell me the story most precious,
Sweetest that ever was heard.

Tell me more, tell me more of the stories of Jesus
And that time long ago.

Still today, there's so much to say about Jesus.

Oh, I want to know

How he called to the poor humble fishermen,
How they put down their nets and they followed him.

Tell me more, I want to know more about Jesus;
I want to know more about him.

I want to know more about him

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