

**FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**Sunday, July 3, 2022**



*Faith First. Love Always.*

**The First Congregational Church of Greenwich** declares itself to be open and affirming; open to all for participation, membership, leadership and employment, and affirming of all who wish to join us as children of God. We continue to give thanks for God's guidance in our journey of faith.

We welcome you this day and are glad you made the choice to join us for this worship service. May it be a blessing to you.

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## CHILDREN IN WORSHIP



*God puts the wiggle in children  
and calls it good... and so do we!*

At First Church, we believe that the way we welcome children in worship directly affects the way they respond to God, the church, and to one another.

To welcome children as they are in worship, we've created the **PrayGround**, located in the front of the chapel (right side of the Meetinghouse) where children and others can engage in worship through movement and prayerful play.

The **PrayGround** offers space for movement and sensory materials for all ages to worship with and through. The presence of all God's children is a gift to the church, which offers hope for all.

Using your smartphone messaging app, text **FCCOG Donate** to **73256** or click [HERE](#) to access the online giving webpage.

## MASK UPDATE

All gatherings at the church are now mask optional. The offices are open by appointment only during business hours.

# FAITH FIRST. LOVE ALWAYS.

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### CALL TO COMMUNITY

Reverend Cydney Van Dyke

### PRELUDE

*Ave Maria*

Michal Lorenc (b. 1955)

Dev Shrikam, treble

Dr. Craig Scott Symons, organist

### †CALL TO WORSHIP

Reverend Patrick Collins

One: Freedom is coming!

**All: We can hear it in the voices of the oppressed.**

One: Hope is coming!

**All: We can see it in the eyes of all those who despair.**

One: God is here!

**All: We count on God's presence with us, to guide, heal and uplift our spirits.**

**Amen.**

(optional)

1 God of the a - ges, whose al-might - y  
 2 Thy love di - vine hath led us in the  
 3 From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti -  
 4 Re - fresh thy peo - ple on their toil-some

hand leads forth in beau - ty all the star-ry band  
 past. In this free land by thee our lot is cast.  
 lence, be thy strong arm our ev - er sure de-fense.  
 way. Lead us from night to nev - er-end-ing day.

of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the skies,  
 Be thou our rul - er, guard - ian, guide, and stay:  
 Thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease.  
 Fill all our lives with love and grace di - vine,

our grate - ful songs be - fore thy throne a - rise.  
 thy word our law, thy paths our cho - sen way.  
 Thy boun - teous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.  
 and glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er thine.



## PRAYER (in Unison)

Reverend Cydney Van Dyke

Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

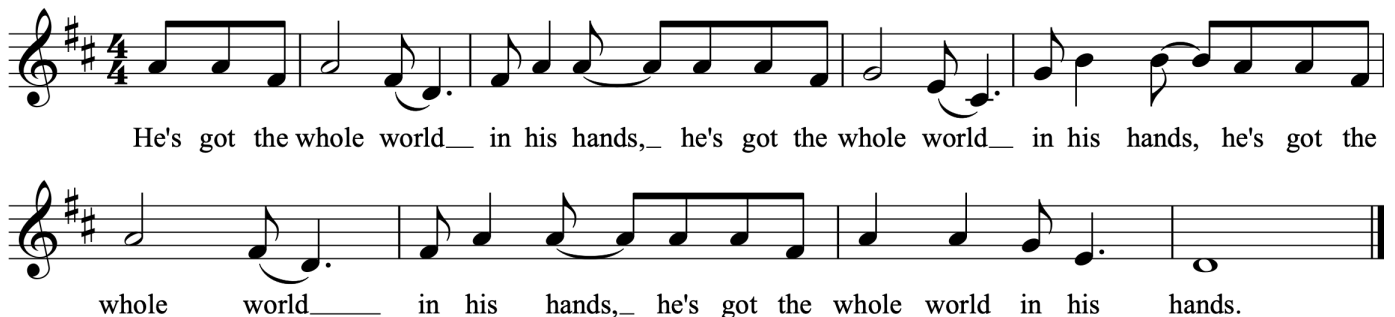
## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Reverend Cydney Van Dyke

(Children return to their seats during the singing of the response)

## RESPONSE

*He's Got The Whole World In His Hands*



He's got the whole world\_\_ in his hands,\_ he's got the whole world\_\_ in his hands, he's got the  
whole world\_\_\_\_\_ in his hands,\_ he's got the whole world in his hands.

## FIRST LESSON

*Isaiah 66: 10-14*  
New International Version  
Lynn Hawxhurst

“Rejoice with Jerusalem and be glad for her,  
all you who love her;  
rejoice greatly with her,  
all you who mourn over her.  
For you will nurse and be satisfied  
at her comforting breasts;  
you will drink deeply  
and delight in her overflowing abundance.”

For this is what the Lord says:  
“I will extend peace to her like a river,  
and the wealth of nations like a flooding stream;  
you will nurse and be carried on her arm  
and dandled on her knees.  
As a mother comforts her child,  
so will I comfort you;

and you will be comforted over Jerusalem.”  
When you see this, your heart will rejoice  
and you will flourish like grass;  
the hand of the Lord will be made known to his servants,  
but his fury will be shown to his foes.

## ANTHEM

*O How Amiable*  
Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872 – 1958)  
The Summer Choir

## SECOND LESSON

*Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20*  
Common English Bible

After these things, the Lord commissioned seventy-two others and sent them on ahead in pairs to every city and place he was about to go. He said to them, “The harvest is bigger than you can imagine, but there are few workers. Therefore, plead with the Lord of the harvest to send out workers for his harvest. Go! Be warned, though, that I’m sending you out as lambs among wolves. Carry no wallet, no bag, and no sandals. Don’t even greet anyone along the way. Whenever you enter a house, first say, ‘May peace be on this house.’ If anyone there shares God’s peace, then your peace will rest on that person. If not, your blessing will return to you. Remain in this house, eating and drinking whatever they set before you, for workers deserve their pay. Don’t move from house to house. Whenever you enter a city and its people welcome you, eat what they set before you. Heal the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘God’s kingdom has come upon you.’ Whenever you enter a city and the people don’t welcome you, go out into the streets and say, ‘As a complaint against you, we brush off the dust of your city that has collected on our feet. But know this: God’s kingdom has come to you.’

Whoever listens to you listens to me. Whoever rejects you rejects me. Whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.”

The seventy-two returned joyously, saying, “Lord, even the demons submit themselves to us in your name.”

Jesus replied, “I saw Satan fall from heaven like lightning. Look, I have given you authority to crush snakes and scorpions underfoot. I have given you authority over all the power of the enemy. Nothing will harm you. Nevertheless, don’t rejoice because the spirits submit to you. Rejoice instead that your names are written in heaven.”

## MESSAGE

*Every Nation Under Heaven*  
Reverend Patrick Collins

1 This is my song, O God of all the na - tions, a song of  
 2 My coun-try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean, and sun-light

peace for lands a - far and mine. This is my home, the  
 beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine; But oth - er lands have

coun - try where my heart is; here are my hopes, my  
 sun - light, too, and clo - ver, and skies are ev - ery -

dreams, my ho - ly shrine; But oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are  
 where as blue as mine. O hear my song, O God of all the

beat - ing with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.  
 na - tions, a song of peace for their land and for mine.

## CALL TO OFFERING

Lynn Robertson

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*O Taste And See*  
Ralph Vaughan Williams  
The Summer Choir  
Lauren Mickley, soprano

## †DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures

here be-low; praise him a-bove, ye heaven-ly host; praise

Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

† Please rise in body or in spirit

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION



## COMMUNION

**Invitation**

**Words of Institution**

**Communion Prayer**

**Taking of Elements**

*In the tradition of our church, let us partake of the bread [note, all our bread is gluten-free] as it is served, remembering our individual uniqueness in the eyes of God and our diversity within the Body of Christ. Let us hold the cup [grape juice] until all have been served, remembering our oneness with God and our unity in the Body of Christ.*

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Reverend Cydney Van Dyke

## THE 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 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.**

1 O beau-ti-ful for spa-cious skies, for am-ber waves of grain,  
 2 O beau-ti-ful for he-roes proved in lib-er-at-ing strife,  
 3 O beau-ti-ful for pa-triot dream that sees be-yond the years

for pur-ple moun-tain maj-es-ties a-bove the fruit-ed plain!  
 who more than self their coun-try loved, and mer-cy more than life!  
 thine al-a-bas-ter cit-ies gleam, un-dimmed by hu-man tears!

A-mer-i-ca! A-mer-i-ca! God shed his grace on thee,  
 A-mer-i-ca! A-mer-i-ca! God mend thine ev-ery flaw;  
 A-mer-i-ca! A-mer-i-ca! May God thy gold re-fine

and crown thy good with \*broth-er-hood from sea to shin-ing sea!  
 con-firm thy soul in self-con-trol, thy lib-er-ty in law!  
 till all suc-cess be no-ble-ness and ev-ery gain di-vine!

## BENEDICTION

## CHORAL RESPONSE

## POSTLUDE

*Psalm 18*

Benedetto Marcello (1686-1739)

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**Directly following the service, one of our pastors will remain in the Chapel to be available to anyone who has a pastoral care concern.**

Join us for Community Hour in the  
Memory Garden following worship this morning!

**COMMUNITY  
HOUR**



## SUMMER BEACH SERVICES CONTINUE EACH SUNDAY AT 8 A.M.

Please join us at Tod's/Greenwich Point for early morning worship. You don't have to be a Greenwich resident to attend! Tell the person at the entrance that you're there for First Congregational worship and you'll get in.

In an effort to maintain sanitary practices during the pandemic, you're asked to bring your own "juice" or beverage to signify the blood of Christ. You'll receive a piece of gluten-free bread (body) and you can use your liquid (blood) to partake in our communion service each week.

## THE RUMMAGE ROOM

This week the Rummage Room needs children's bicycles, men's and women's belts, small kitchen appliances, women's jewelry, women's handbags, and CD's.

When making a donation to The Rummage Room, please make sure all items are clean and in good condition.

Donation drop-off times are  
Monday – Thursday 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.





## **CALL-A-RIDE GREENWICH FREE TRANSPORTATION FOR SENIORS AND MORE**

At CALL-A-RIDE, we provide free transportation weekdays for seniors age 60 or over within the Town of Greenwich. Our volunteer drivers also serve to create an atmosphere of understanding and camaraderie aiding seniors toward a full enjoyment of life.

We currently have a roster of some 58 volunteer drivers who cover 24 shifts Monday through Friday each week. Morning shifts run from 8:30 AM-12:15 PM and afternoon shifts run from 12:15 PM to 4:00 PM. Some drivers have regularly committed weekly shifts and others are available on a substitute basis. Drivers must be 25 years of age or older, possess a valid driver's license and be approved by C-A-R's automobile insurer. Many current drivers have volunteered with C-A-R for many years and derive a high degree of satisfaction from their service to others through C-A-R.

We are always looking for volunteer drivers – hopefully you will be so inclined and in that event, kindly make initial contact with our office.

**CALL-A-RIDE OF GREENWICH, INC.**  
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The Welcoming Committee  
warmly welcomes you to the

## **First Church Bring-Your-Own Picnic and Beverages**

**Thursday, July 14th  
5:30-8:00PM**

The picnic will take place in the Clambake area at Greenwich (Tod's) Point, and there will be signage to direct you to the Clambake area.

All members and their guests are allowed into the Point for the event, regardless of residency.

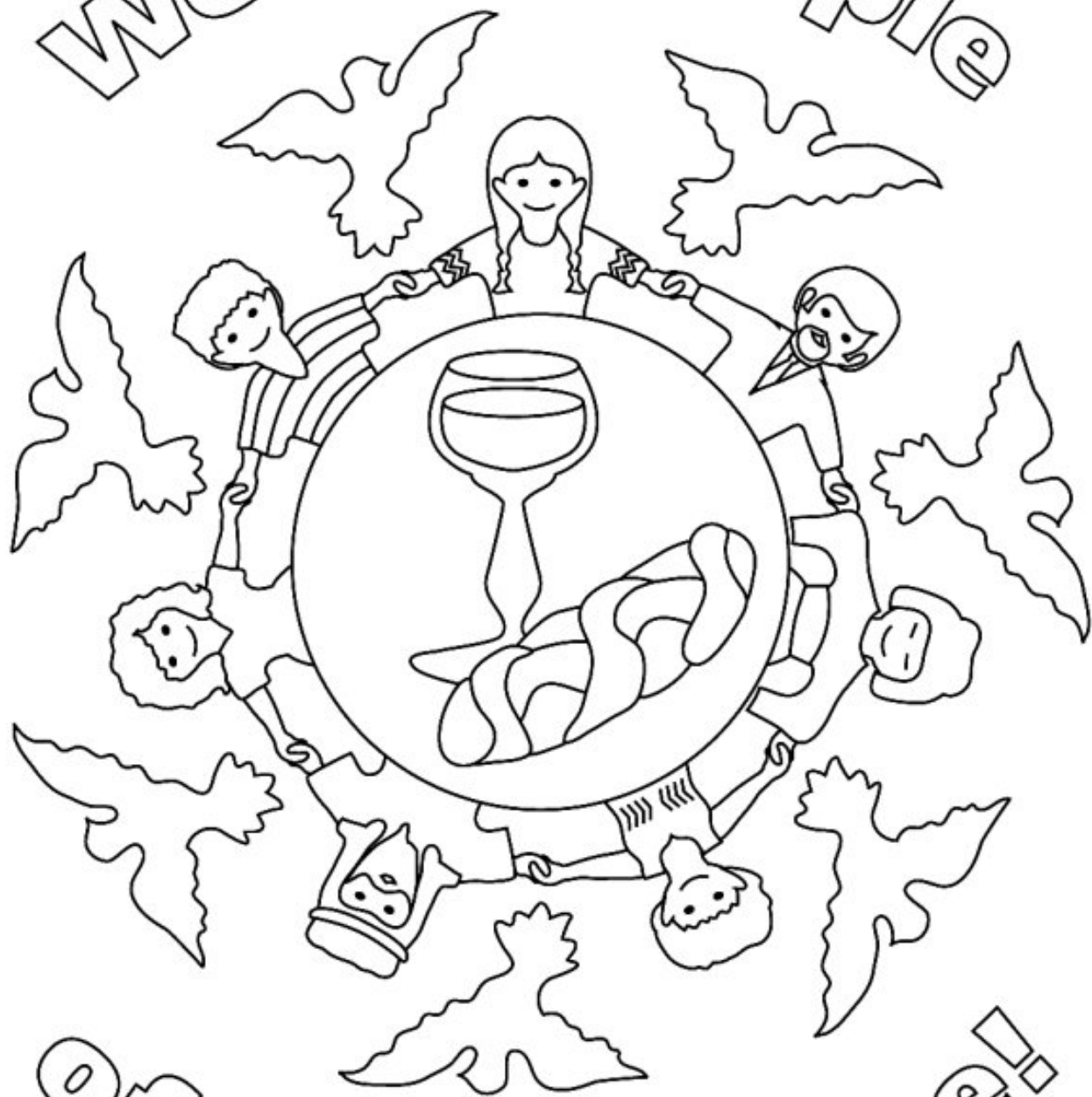
Dessert will be provided by the  
Welcoming Committee,  
and there will be games for all ages.

Please feel free to bring a guest.

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