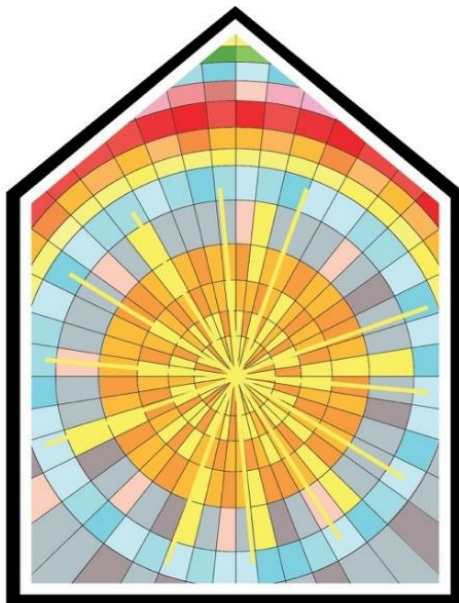


Welcome to
South Congregational Church, UCC
1301 Forbes St. East Hartford, CT 06118



SOUTH
Congregational Church

East Hartford, CT

October 27, 2024

Interim Pastor
Minister of Music
Coordinator of CEFE

Proper 25 (23rd Sunday after Pentecost)

The Reverend Paul Goodman
Jeff Cregeur
Lisa Griffen

† Please stand in body or spirit

Meditation

In the presence of infinite Wisdom, one act of humility is worth more than all the knowledge of the world.

–Teresa of Avila

Prelude

Jeff Cregeur, Minister of Music

Welcome and Announcements

† Passing the Peace

Call to Worship

Dan Werkheiser

Lay Reader: Happy are those who are steadfast in faith, who show forth the mercy and compassion of God.

People: God can do all things; no purpose of God can be thwarted.

Lay Reader: In faith, we have uttered what we do not understand, for the ways of God are too wonderful for us.

People: We proclaim and question and even boast in our attempts to see and hear God at work.

Lay Reader: We believe we will see God's goodness and be led through pathways that lead us to life.

People: We wait for God and the strength God offers, and our hearts take courage as we wait.

† Gathering Hymn

We Sing Your Mighty Power, O God

Chalice Hymn #64

Prayer of Adoration and Lord's Prayer

Unison

O God, whom we have worshiped without knowing, show us who you are. Hear us when we cry to you, for there is no one else to understand our pain or to bear with us in our trials. Meet us here, amid our doubts and questions, that we may know we are heard and understood. You are the God we now praise with the words that Jesus taught us: 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.

Presentation of Bibles

Rev. Paul Goodman

Avery & Emily Kelman

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Paul Goodman

Offertory Sentences

Dan Werkheiser

Once again the opportunity is ours to proclaim the goodness of God through offering ourselves and the first fruits of our labors. May all that we give be a testimony to God's purposes among us. To those very purposes we now present our morning offerings.

Offertory Anthem

Come Unto Me
Chancel Choir

by E.K. Heyser

† Doxology

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Chalice Hymn #46

**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

In Unison

All that we give is first a gift from you, O God. It is a joy to invest in the mission of your church, both as a gathered community in this place and as a scattered people who day by day offer a cup of cold water in Christ's name to people who thirst. May our offerings help to reach where we ourselves cannot go and join with the offerings of the faithful to provide what we alone cannot accomplish. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Job 38:1-7; 34-41

Pew Bible Pages 420, 421

† Hymn

O God of Every Shining Constellation

Chalice Hymn #55

Sermon

“Lessons from the Stormy Weather!”

Rev. Paul Goodman

† Sending Hymn

How Like a Gentle Spirit

Chalice Hymn #69

Benediction

Rev. Paul Goodman

Postlude

Jeff Cregeur, Minister of Music



The South Church family extends a warm welcome to all newcomers and visitors this morning. We hope you will find this worship service meaningful, the fellowship friendly, and that you will consider making this your church home. If you are a first-time visitor, please fill out the Pew Card that can be found in the pew or at the Welcome Station outside the sanctuary. You may give this card to any usher or put it in the offertory plate. We also encourage you to speak with the pastor.

Hearing devices are available for use during worship service. Please see an Usher if you're in need of one.

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Please place gifts and offerings in the collection plates located in the Narthex either before or after worship.

This Sunday's Service Volunteers:

-Ushers: Elly Milone and Barbara Benson

-Lay Reader: Dan Werkheiser

-Deacons for the month of **October:** Janet Lynch and Debbie McNamara

-Audio Visual: Chuck Pelletier, Bryan Denman, Bob Handel

-Flower Contacts: Jean Foisey, Lisa Handel, Gayle Juliani

FALL CLEANUP

Saturday, November 2, 9:00 AM

Our annual Fall Cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, November 2, 9:00am-noonish. Rain date will be Saturday, November 9. Many hands are needed to keep South Church looking beautiful. Please bring your rakes, tarps, wheelbarrows, leaf blowers, chainsaws, pruners, rags, cleaner, etc. to assist with the cleanup. Even if you can only spare an hour, your help would be greatly appreciated. This is a great opportunity to complete community service hours for high school graduation, Boy Scout/Girl Scout merit badge requirements, or volunteer work. If you know someone in need of hours, please share this information. All are welcome to participate.

GUEST SPEAKER

Sunday, November 3, 11:00 AM

Recycling 101. Are you often confused about what can or cannot be recycled? Do you toss things in the garbage that might be reusable? If you answered yes to either of these questions, then Recycling 101 is for you! Please consider joining South Church as we welcome Cesar Zapata from the EH Public Works Department to our community. Mr. Zapata will share the correct way to recycle household products, as well as introducing a new food scrap program. Let us continue to work together to care for God's beautiful creation.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Continued Prayers are Needed for...

<i>Barbara Abbott</i>	<i>Eugenia Dansinghani</i>	<i>Barbara Hooker</i>	<i>Henry Millan</i>
<i>Nimmi Baker</i>	<i>Bill Fagan</i>	<i>Ivy Lehmann</i>	<i>Gene Pellett</i>
<i>Georgi Beers</i>	<i>Charlie Goding</i>	<i>Liz Costa Mayerson</i>	<i>Barbara Slocum</i>
<i>John & Phyllis Carella</i>	<i>Barbara Guthrie</i>	<i>Beth McGinnis</i>	<i>Rev. Will Thayer</i>
<i>Veona Cashman</i>	<i>Mary Ann Higgins</i>	<i>Jill McNamara</i>	<i>Russell Turner</i>
<i>Traci Constantine</i>			

Andrew, grandson of Margie Articulo
Linda Bandecchi, aunt of Bryan Denman
Mary Anne Barrett, sister of Liz Costa Mayerson
Allison Cornelius, stepdaughter of Gary Fowler
Barbara Hitchcock, mother of Bryan Denman
Sandy Hodge, sister of a friend of Jean Foisey and Debbie Rataic
Maureen Kosha, friend of Margie Articulo
Anthony Manuel, grandson of Debbie Wall
Kim McMenamin, daughter of Chuck and Nancy Goding
Addyson Murphy, great-granddaughter of George and Peggy Schoen
Carol Poehnert, friend of Maureen Miller
Roseann Russell, friend of Debbie Wall
Deborah Lambert Severson, friend of South Church
Ruth Sheehan, friend of Celia Collins
Richard Shonti, husband of a friend of Jean Foisey
Liam Stickley, mother is a close friend of Sue Gammie
Bill Vendetta, Debbie Wall's brother-in-law

This Week at South Church

SUNDAY, October 27

8:00am – Martial Arts/Basement
8:45am – Choir/Sanctuary
10:00am – Worship Service &
Sunday School

MONDAY, October 28

5:00pm – Girl Scouts/Charrier Hall
6:30pm – CitySingers Rehearsal/Library

TUESDAY, October 29

2:00pm – Tuesdays at Two/Library
6:00pm – Martial Arts/Basement
7:30pm – AA/Rms 9&10

WEDNESDAY, October 30

6:30pm – Cub Scouts/Rms 2, 9&10,
Charrier Hall

*Please email/call the office at
office@southucc.org or 860.568.5150
to reserve a room*

THURSDAY, October 31

6:00pm – Martial Arts/Basement
7:00pm – Choir/Library

FRIDAY, November 1

5:00pm – Girl Scouts/Charrier Hall
7:00pm – Cub Scout Leaders/Library

SATURDAY, November 2

9:00am – Fall Cleanup
5:00pm – Girl Scouts/Charrier Hall

SUNDAY, November 3

8:00am – Martial Arts/Basement
8:45am – Choir/Sanctuary
10:00am – Worship Service
11:00am – Guest Speaker/Library

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