

The First Congregational Church
June 12, 2022

Kent, Connecticut
10:00 AM

A Community of Faith, Service and Love
Happy Father's Day

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

At this time it has been requested that everyone wear masks when singing. Thank you.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: I life up my eyes to the hills. From whence will my help come?

People: My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.

Leader: The Lord will not let your foot be moved, he who keeps you shall not slumber.

People: Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

Leader: The Lord is your keeper. The Lord is the shade at your right hand.

People: The sun shall not smite you by day; now shall the moon by night.

Leader: The Lord will keep you from all evil; the Lord will keep your life.

People: The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

*HYMN # 384:

Rock of Ages

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in thee;
Let the water and the blood, from thy wounded side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure, save from wrath and make me pure.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone; thou must save and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to thy cross I cling;

Naked, come to thee for dress, helpless, look to thee for grace;
Foul, I to the fountain fly; wash me, Savior or I die!

While I draw this fleeting breath, when my eyes shall close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown, see thee on thy judgement throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.

*OPENING PRAYER

O God of creation, you rule over land and sea; sunshine and storm. By your strength guide us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI (#734)

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, Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

SCRIPTURE:

John 14:1-3

Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also.

SERMON

*HYMN # 426

Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation purchase of God,
Born of Spirit washed in his blood.
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight,

Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels descending, bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with his goodness, lost in his love.
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long.

PRAYER 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.

OFFERING

Invitation

Doxology (#34)

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.

*HYMN #496

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms;
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine leaning on the everlasting arms.
Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning, leaning, on the everlasting arms.

O how sweet to walk in the pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms:

O how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms
Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning, leaning, on the everlasting arms.

What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms?

I have blessed peace with my Lords so near, leaning on the everlasting arms,

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning, leaning, on the everlasting arms.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE:

Ministers: Community of Faith

Pastor: The Rev. Victoria Kowarick

Organist: Bob Keck

Videographer: Bethany Keck

Deacon of the Month- Carol Kallstrom

WE WELCOME ALL who are worshipping with us via the internet and in person. Guests are invited to sign the guest book in the back of the sanctuary and/or fill out a Pew Card and place it in the offering plate.

Prayer List:

Doctors, Nurses, Hospital staff, all those with COVID 19 and their families, Peggy, Scott, Barbie, Liz, Lewis, Ukraine, Our world leaders.

Please mail your offering in weekly/monthly

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Summer Office Hours: Tuesday and Wednesday from 9am to 12pm.
Barbara can be reached via email Fcckentoffice@gmail.com if you need anything outside of those hours.

Pastor John's office hours will remain the same.
Tuesday and Wednesday 11am to 1pm and Thursday at Wilson's Café from 2-4pm