



THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DARIEN

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Children are always welcome at our worship services.
A drop-off Nursery is available to children age 2 and younger,
in the Nursery School wing starting at 9:45 a.m.
****Those who are able are invited to stand.***

PRELUDE

Mr. Maxim Pakhomov

GREETING

Caroline Burke

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsively) Jon Bigelow, Associate Minister Search Committee
When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

**“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,
to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”**

(All uniting) And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

(Luke 4:16-21)

***INVOCATION PRAYER**

Joseph Pankowski

***HYMN**

“MORNING HAS BROKEN”

Morning Has Broken

In unison

1 Morn-ing has bro - ken Like the first morn - ing, Black-bird has
2 Sweet the rain's new fall Sun - lit from heav - en, Like the first
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing Born of the

spo - ken Like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing!
dew - fall On the first grass. Praise for the sweet - ness
one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion,

Praise for the morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing Fresh from the Word!
Of the wet gar - den, Sprung in com-plete - ness Where his feet pass.
Praise ev-ery morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion Of the new day!

CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL (children through 3rd Grade)

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Rev. Dale Rosenberger, Pastor

MOMENT OF SILENCE

LITANY OF TRANSFORMATION (responsively)

Assoc. Min. Shawn Garan

Jesus said, "Unless you change your whole outlook and become like small children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever is willing to be humbled like a child is the greatest in heaven."

Master, we hear you call; Lord Jesus, help us to follow you.

Jesus said, "Whoever among you wants to be great must become the servant of all. For the Son of Man himself has not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life to set many others free."

Master, we hear your call; Lord Jesus, help us to follow you.

Jesus said, "You must love your enemies and do good without expecting any return and without giving up hope on anyone: so you will be children of the Most High. Be compassionate, as your Father is compassionate."

Master, we hear your call; Lord Jesus, help us to follow you.

Jesus said, "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

Master, we hear your call; Lord Jesus, help us to follow you.

Jesus said, "This is my Father's glory, that you may bear fruit in plenty and so be my disciples. If you dwell in me, as I do in you, you will bear much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing."

Master, we hear your call; Lord Jesus, help us to follow you.

Jesus said, "There is no greater love than this, to lay down your life for your friends. You are my friends, if you obey my command. This I command you; that you love one another as I have loved you."

Master, we hear your call; Lord Jesus, help us to follow you. (continued)

**to proclaim the Gospel to all the world
and resist the powers of evil,
to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table,
to join him in his passion and victory.**

**God promises to all who witness in faith,
forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace,
courage in the struggle for justice and peace,
God's holy presence in trial and rejoicing,
and eternal life in that reign which has no end.**

Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto God. Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“WE ARE CALLED”
Senior Choir

David Haas

***DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavn'ly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

+ THE ORDER FOR INSTALLATION +

GREETING

Rev. Susan Townsley

People: Let us look to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was waiting endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

PRESENTATION

Rev. Dr. Michael Ciba, Rev. Daniel England and Mr. Gary Holmes

COVENANT

Rev. Daniel England

Dear Friends, The First Congregational Church of Darien, United Church of Christ, has declared that having gathered under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, it has called Gary M. Morello to minister in this place as licensed associate pastor and teacher and that it now receives him as appointed by God for this ministry. The Fairfield West Association of the United Church of Christ has declared that he has met all the necessary conditions for installation to this office.

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Gary M. Morello, seeing that you are called to licensed ministry by the grace of God and that The First Congregational Church of Darien, United Church of Christ has been led to call you as a licensed associate pastor and teacher, are you willing to enter this covenant with its members who are one in Christ with us in the Fairfield West Association?

I am willing, and I promise to serve this church faithfully, preaching and teaching the word of God, administering the sacraments, and fulfilling the pastoral office, according to the faith and order of the United Church of Christ.

Members of The First Congregational Church of Darien, United Church of Christ, will those who are able rise and affirm your covenant with your licensed associate pastor and teacher?

We, the members of The First Congregational Church of Darien, United Church of Christ, receive Gary M. Morello as our licensed associate pastor and teacher, promising to labor with him in the ministry of the gospel and to give him due honor and support. We gather with him and with the United Church of Christ as a sign of our mutual ministry in Christ's name.

Members of the Fairfield West Association, will those who are able rise and affirm your covenant with The First Congregational Church of Darien, United Church of Christ, and its licensed associate pastor and teacher?

We, the members of the Fairfield West Association of the United Church of Christ, gather with you, the people and the licensed associate pastor and teacher of The First Congregational Church of Darien, United Church of Christ, as a sign of our covenant and in celebration of our mutual ministry in Christ's name.

PRAYER OF INSTALLATION

Rev. Dale Rosenberger

DECLARATION

The Rev. Daniel England

In the name of Jesus Christ, and on behalf of the Fairfield West Association of the Connecticut Conference of the United Church of Christ, I declare you duly installed as licensed associate pastor and teacher of the First Congregational Church of Darien, United Church of Christ.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION

Rev. Dr. Michael Ciba

CHARGE TO THE MINISTER

Rev. Dale Rosenberger

***HYMN**

“HERE I AM, LORD”

Here I Am, Lord

Unison



1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.
3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in deep - est sin my hand will save.
I have wept for love of them, they turn a - way.
I will set a feast for them, my hand will save.



I who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
Fin-est bread I will pro- vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.





Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the

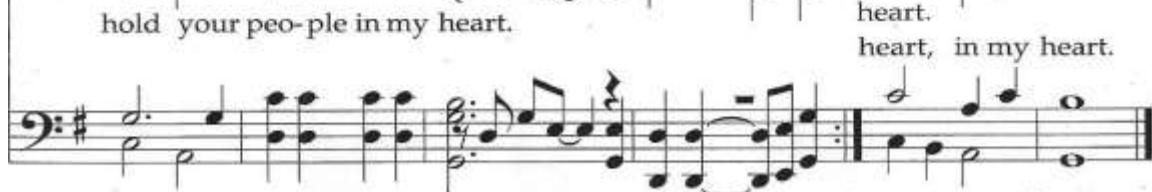


night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will



hold your people in my heart.

heart.
heart, in my heart.



heart, in my heart.

***BENEDICTION**

Assoc. Min. Gary M. Morello

POSTLUDE

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The members of The First Congregational Church of Darien now cordially invite everyone to a reception in Parish Hall immediately following the close of worship

Heartfelt thanks go out to all participants for their many contributions leading up to this day of Installation. Special thanks are also in order for the members of the Associate Minister Search Committee, led by Jon Bigelow, for their support and encouragement.

Participants in the Service

ALL members of The First Congregational Church of Darien

The Rev. Dale Rosenberger is the Senior Minister of The First Congregational Church of Darien, United Church of Christ

Mr. Max Pakhomov is the Organist of The First Congregational Church of Darien, United Church of Christ

Mr. Dan Hague is the Music Director of The First Congregational Church of Darien, United Church of Christ

The Rev. Dr. Michael Ciba is the Senior Regional Minister, Connecticut Conference, United Church of Christ

The Rev. Daniel England is the Fairfield West Association Committee on Ministry Chairman, United Church of Christ

The Rev. Susan Page Townsley, InSpirit Church Leadership and Coaching, United Church of Christ

The Rev. Dr. Ruby Wilson is the Senior Pastor of Safe Haven, United Church of Christ

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The Rev. Carolun C. Blair is the Executive Director of Safe Haven, United Church of Christ, Music and Performing Arts Ministry

Min. Calvina Johnson is the Merging Praise Leader of Safe Haven, United Church of Christ

Min. Shawn Garan is the Associate Minister of Community of The Second Congregational Church of Greenwich, United Church of Christ

Ms. Caroline Burke is the Moderator of The First Congregational Church of Darien, United Church of Christ

Mr. Jon Bigelow was the Chairman of the Search Committee for the Associate Minister at The First Congregational Church of Darien, United Church of Christ

Mr. Gary Holmes, is the Chair of the Board of Deacons of The First Congregational Church of Darien, United Church of Christ

Ms. Karen Brennan is the Chair of Christian Education of The First Congregational Church of Darien, United Church of Christ

Mr. Joe Pankowski is the Church Historian, as well as a member of The First Congregational Church of Darien, United Church of Christ

Ms. Brianna Lyons is a recently confirmed member of The First Congregational Church of Darien, United Church of Christ

Mr. Ted Brennan is a rising confirmand at The First Congregational Church of Darien, United Church of Christ

TODAY'S GREETERS are the Almy family: Rich, Missy, Richie and Paulina

TODAY'S USHERS are Kristin Desautelle, Gary Holmes and Al Nickerson.

MUSIC NOTES: "Here I am, Lord," words and music by Dan Schutte, adapt. By Carlton R. Young © 1989 Used by Permission. OneLicense# A-700336



***THE BIOGRAPHY OF REV. DR. RUBY M. WILSON, PASTOR,
SAFE HAVEN UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST***

Rev. Dr. Ruby Wilson is the Senior Pastor of Safe Haven United Church of Christ (UCC) in Ridgewood, NY. The Harlem native is the 7th of 9 children born to the late David and Dovetta Wilson. After graduating with a BA degree in Communications from Houghton College and making her way up the corporate ladder, she heard the call from God to enter ordained ministry and enrolled in New York School of the Bible. She continued her studies at New York Theological Seminary where she earned both her Master of Divinity and Doctor of Ministry degrees.

In addition to her pastoral work with Safe Haven UCC she serves on both UCC National and the New York Conference's Commission on Ecumenism and Interfaith Relations and on the UCC Metro Association's Ordination & Ministerial Standing Committee. She is a Past President of the UCC Metropolitan Association's Board of Directors.

Along with her eight siblings, in 1990, she established The David and Dovetta Wilson Scholarship Fund (DDWSF) in memory of her parents. This organization, awards nine scholarships each year to high school seniors pursuing higher education at an accredited college or university. She is the CEO and Founder of JasD'Jor: Emerging Philanthropists, named for her children. JasD'Jor, a subsidiary of DDWSF, offers training to budding philanthropists through the Wilson Sisters Academy and provides direct grants to families of children with special needs through its Peppermint Promises program.

Dr. Wilson is the 2014 recipient of the Lily Foundation Louisville Institute Pastoral Study Project for her work at The Crossroads of Theodicy and Theology: Spiritual Leaders in Crisis.

Dr. Wilson enjoys teaching music theory and learning the piano and bass guitar. She is an avid sports fan of boxing, baseball, basketball. She is the mother of three children: Diamond, Jasmin and Jordan, and resides with her family in Queens.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN OUTREACH

COME HELP THE BOARD OF OUTREACH WITH OUR ANNUAL FUNDRAISER!

The June 2nd Darien House Tour: Homes with Heart requires over 100 volunteers on the day of the event to staff a shift at our featured homes. Volunteers can attend the tour during non-shift hours for \$30 - less than half price! And those who help during the party may attend the party for a discounted price of \$50. We truly need your help to make this event a success so that we can raise over \$60,000 for our beneficiaries. Please sign up at darienhousetour.com – click on the volunteer link. Did we mention how much fun you'll have?

Oh and speaking of fun, the June 3rd Celebratory Party with a Purpose will be great fun!! Buy your tickets now and encourage your friends to come. We are looking for a great church member turnout! Tickets are \$75. Financial assistance happily provided upon request - confidentially mail darienhousetour@gmail.com.

One last thing ... looking for a little artwork to spice up your home? The house tour will feature artists through “Art with Heart”. Artwork will be on display at one of our tour homes and at the Wee Burn Country Club on June 2nd. THEN, we will have a reception at the church on June 4th from 4 to 7 pm! A portion of proceeds go to the tour!



SAVE THE DATE: CELEBRATION SUNDAY -- JUNE 12 AT 10:00 A.M.

You are invited to a special Sunday service to celebrate a wonderful year for all our young people and our church community. A traditional service with fun and flare is being planned by the Board of Christian Education to celebrate our children ages newborn through college. Gary Morello will deliver the sermon and we'll honor our Church School teachers, and recognize our graduating high school and college graduates. An ice cream social for all will follow the service on the church lawn. The Youth Group will welcome back graduates at 12:00 p.m. with a BBQ outside the new Youth Room. We have much to give thanks for and celebrate -- we hope you'll join us!

COMPANION HYMNALS - DON'T MISS OUT!!!

Over the summer the new blue companion hymnals will be arriving!! For \$25 each, why not have one or two in your favorite pew with your name or a loves ones name personalized inside?? These new hymnals will compliment the Pilgrim Hymnals. Only a limited number are being ordered, so don't delay! Order forms are on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall.

Questions, please contact kristindesautelle@gmail.com. Thank you!

TEACHER RECRUITMENT FOR CHURCH SCHOOL 2016-17 IS NOW OPEN

It's that time of year when, as we close the chapter on Church School, we begin to look ahead to the next program year. We invite all members of the FCC family to be part of our Church School teaching team in 2016-17. In order to staff our classrooms and stay aligned with Safe Church practices, we need SIX teachers for each team: Preschool; Kindergarten/1st Grades; 2nd/3rd Grades, 4th-7th Grades. You will always teach in a team of two, approximately one Sunday per month. Guided lessons and materials are prepared for you, and two teacher meetings (Fall & Winter) will get you ready to teach. It's important that all parents take a turn teaching over the years. The Board of Christian Education recommends that every parent teach two years for each child they have in the program. Moms and dads are welcome! Seasoned parishioners who no longer have children in the program, but who wish to give back, are encouraged as well. Please consider volunteering some of your time next year in joining our Church School team! You can sign up by clicking on the link offered here: (<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050C4FAFA62EA02-church1>).

If you have questions, please contact MJ Colman at mjcolman@gmail.com.



FCCD Vacation Bible School

June 13th – 15th, 2016

1:00 pm to 3:30 pm

\$45 per child, per day

A spiritual adventure filled with music, movement and biblical reenactments for preschoolers! VBS will be facilitated by Mary Jo Colman, FCCD's Church School Director, a teen assistant and alternating parent volunteers.

Sign up for 1, 2, or 3 days!

All parents are required to help for one hour.

Fun filled activities will be held in Parish Hall and the garden.

A light snack will be provided each day.

Registration for members begins April 26th and runs until May 10th then we will open it to Nursery School parents.

Please register here:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050c4fafa62ea02-vacation>

Payment will be collected on May 26th



CHURCH CALENDAR

MONDAY, MAY 23

Care, Connect & Communicate Committee, 7:00 p.m. in the Morehouse Room

THURSDAY, MAY 26

Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.

Senior Choir, 8:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 27

Communications Committee, 11:00 a.m. in the Library

SUNDAY, MAY 29

Worship Services at 8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

MONDAY, MAY 30 – MEMORIAL DAY

Church Offices Closed

Ministers: Every member of the congregation.

Clergy and Staff:

The Rev. Dale Rosenberger, *Pastor (emergency pager)* 1-(203) 368-7789

Gary Morello, *Associate Minister*

The Rev. Ronald T. Evans, *Pastor Emeritus*

Mary Jo Colman, *Church School Director*

Daniel Hague, *Music Director* Maxim Pakhomov, *Organist*

Teri Manning, *Nursery School Director* Karen Hansen, *Treasurer*

Pamela Toason, *Church Administrator (M, T)* Dennis Hanlon, *Church Administrator (W, Th, Fri)*

Carlos Maya, *Weekday Sexton* Ruth Salazar, *Sunday Sexton*

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