

Scripture Lesson

Mark 1:29-39

Sermon

Rev. Maxwell Grant

Offertory Anthem

Hold On To The Rock

Pepper Choplin

*Doxology (Hymn 592)

*Prayer of Dedication

Lord, We give You thanks for the countless ways You sustain us. Receive now some of what You have given, so that others might receive. Bless them in body, mind and spirit, and bless us in becoming a people that gives. Amen.

Joys & Concerns/Lord's Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: *And also with you.*

Leader: Let us pray.

Pastoral Prayer

(A time for silent personal reflection.)

Silent Prayer/Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer ("debts")

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Words of Invitation

Communion Prayer

The Sharing of the Bread and Wine

Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving:

We thank you, Lord, for inviting us to this table, where we have remembered the presence of Christ and received a foretaste of your Kingdom. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and let us show forth your praise in our lives. In Jesus' name we ask it. Amen

*Passing The Peace

*Hymn #451

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

Commissioning and Benediction

*Postlude

To God Be the Glory

(* Please stand

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**Please join us for our Annual Meeting following today's 10:30 a.m. service.**

**The Chancel Flowers** are given in loving memory of Dr. Robert and Ellie Ward by their daughters Susan and Sally and their families.

*Thank you to **Suzu Starr** for hosting coffee hour this morning.*

### **New Member**

Jenny Byxbee was introduced as a Second Congregational Church member at our Evensong service on Saturday, February 3.

Jenny Byxbee is the Director of Children's Ministries for Round Hill Community Church. She has been with the church since September 2016, and oversees the nursery to fifth grade Children's Education program. What Jenny most enjoys about her work is being with the young people and hearing what is in their hearts. She feels strongly that we have as much to learn from our youngest members as we do from our eldest members.

When not at church, she cares deeply and spends much of her time with many charities and groups in town and is one of the founding members of the Greenwich Sentinel foundation, the Greenwich Juvenile Review Board, as well as a facilitator with the Junior League of Greenwich "Positively More" program.

Jenny is joining our church to follow her call to ministry and to become a commissioned Minister with the United Church of Christ, as well as to have some spiritual time for prayer and reflection when not serving in her capacity at RHCC. Her family includes her husband Rich and their two daughters Katie and Libby. Both girls attend Greenwich Country Day School. The entire family very much love being part of the Greenwich community, where they live in Riverside.

### **Jenny expresses her faith with this quote from Matthew 19:13-14:**

*Then people brought little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them and pray for them. But the disciples rebuked them. Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.'*



Join us for our 16th Annual Valentine Gala  
Benefitting Heart Care International  
Saturday, February 24, 2018

*All You Need is Love*

Gathering Reception at 6:00 p.m.

- Concert features Love Songs from the 60's, 70's & 80's sung by our Men's Chorus & directed by Alexander Constantine
- Special Guest Stars
- Concert is complimentary for Ladies & \$50 for Gentlemen (to be paid at the door)
- Gourmet Dinner before the concert & dessert reception to follow

RSVP to Gloria@2cc.org

*In case of a major snowstorm on Saturday the concert & a luncheon will take place after the 10:30 service on Sunday, February 25*

**Details can be found at 2cc.org**

**Upcoming Events**

| Date                  | Time       | Event              | Location      |
|-----------------------|------------|--------------------|---------------|
| Sunday, February 4    | 6:00 p.m.  | CL/Superbowl Party | Chapel        |
| Monday, February 5    | 9:45 a.m.  | WF Board Mtg.      | Fletcher Hall |
|                       | 5:30 p.m.  | FFW                | Room 15       |
|                       | 7:00 p.m.  | Boy Scouts         | Cottage       |
|                       | 7:00 p.m.  | Meeting            | Parlor        |
| Wednesday, February 7 | 4:00 p.m.  | Cherubs & Novices  | Brush Hall    |
|                       | 5:00 p.m.  | Middlers           | Brush Hall    |
|                       | 6:00 p.m.  | High School        | Brush Hall    |
|                       | 7:30 p.m.  | Bible Study        | Parlor        |
| Thursday, February 8  | 11:00 a.m. | Prayer Group       | Parlor        |
| Friday, February 9    | 5:00 p.m.  | Youth Group (MS)   | FH/Cot 15/14  |
|                       | 6:30 p.m.  | Cub Scouts         |               |
| Saturday, February 10 | 5:00 p.m.  | Evensong           | Chapel        |

**For the month of February, the Neighbor to Neighbor donation that we will be collecting is tuna only!**



**SECOND CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**

United Church of Christ

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February 4, 2018

Prelude "Reverie" Robert Schumann

Welcome

Introit I Believe This Is Jesus Traditional Spiritual

\*Call To Worship (Psalm 147:1-7)

Leader: Praise the LORD! How good it is to sing praises to our God; for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

**People: The LORD builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel.**

Leader: He heals the broken-hearted, and binds up their wounds.

**People: He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names.**

Leader: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.

**People: The LORD lifts up the downtrodden; he casts the wicked to the ground.**

Leader: Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre. Come! Let us worship God!

\*Hymn #420 God of Grace and God of Glory

*(Children should leave for the church school program after the 2nd verse of the hymn)*

Prayer of Confession

*Lord God, You call us to become People of the way, to live our days showing tender care for all Creation, and watching for one another as our journey goes forth. You call us to bear witness to the power of love and the call of justice. But the road is long, and we get stuck. We turn away and tune out. We feel slighted or hurt and give in to our grudges. Forgive us. Lift us. Remind us of the wondrous journey of life with You. And may we find You as we travel it. Amen.*

\*Gloria Patri (Hymn 579)

Anthem Search Me, O God Jonny Priano



**February Music Spotlight**

- 4 Vocal Quartet
- 11 Dixieland Trio
- 18 Guest Soloist
- 25 Combined Choirs

♪ Sunday, February 11 ♪

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