

Welcome Guests! We're glad you're here. You can learn more about us via the brochure in the back of the seat in front of you, or at www.firstparishyork.net.

Restrooms: Restrooms are located on the lower level of this building, which is accessed by stairs in the foyer. Wheelchair accessible restrooms can be found across the drive in Fellowship Hall. For access during the worship service, please see a Deacon.

Nursery Care: *Our downstairs nursery is not currently staffed*, but you are welcome to accompany your child to the nursery at any point during the worship and spend time there as a family if you feel that you need to.

Video and Streaming: We stream our worship services live and archive them on www.youtube.com/@firstparishyork. If for privacy reasons you do not wish to have you or your children's faces appear on video, you can sit in pews that are marked on the ends with blue tape. Feel free to ask a deacon to show you what those markings look like.

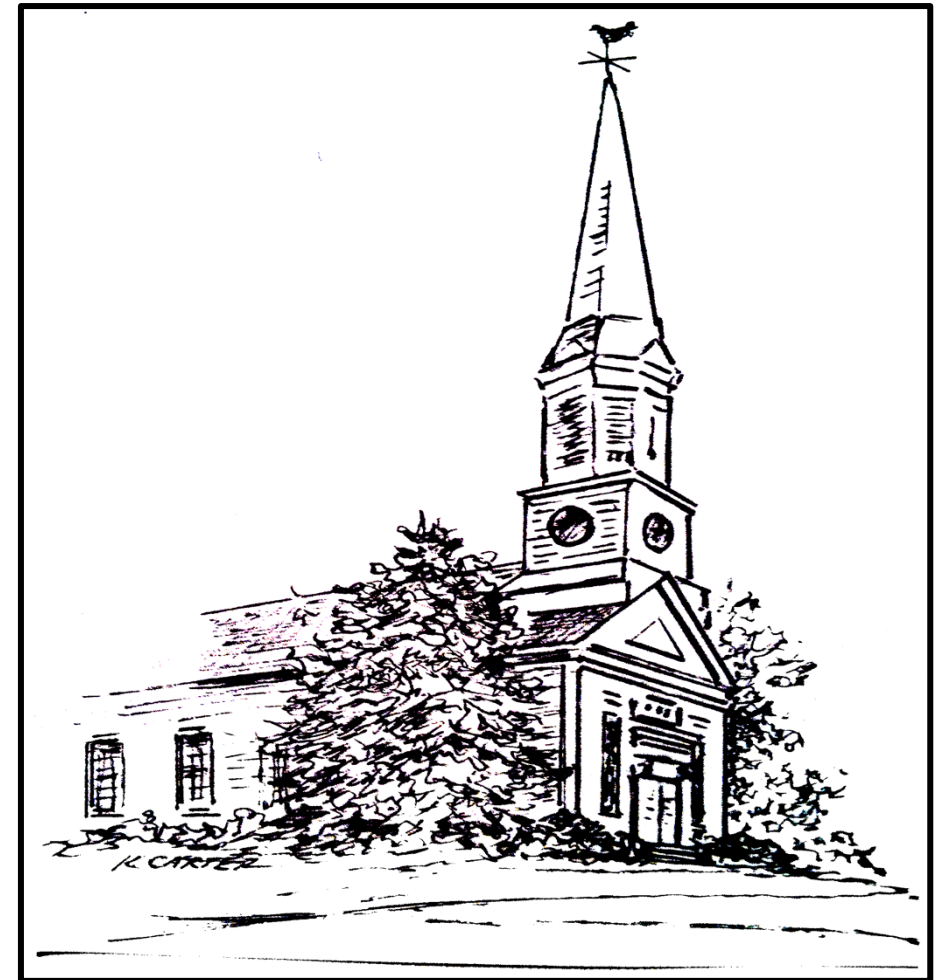
Photos: We regularly take photos for use in media. If you would prefer you or your child's image not be used, please inform a pastor after worship.

Sunday School: During the school year, anyone age 4 through 8th grade is welcome to attend Sunday School. We ask that parents/guardians fill out a registration form on the first visit; our Deacons will be happy to connect you with someone from Sunday School before the children make their way outside. Partway through Sunday services, children are invited to meet with their teachers in the church foyer. Together, students and teachers will make their way to the Fellowship Hall to take part in fun and faith-based activities centered around a theme from the Bible. (Family members are always welcome to attend Sunday School if you wish!) After worship is over, families can go across the drive to sign out their children with the teachers. Sunday School is free of charge.

**No Matter Who You Are or Where You Are On Life's Journey,
You Are Welcome Here!**

We covenant with God and with one another as members of First Parish Church to be an Open and Affirming Church. We affirm the dignity and worth of every person created in the image of God. We are one body with many members: people of every age, marital status, family structure, faith background, physical and mental ability, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, racial and cultural identity, and socio-economic status. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we invite all into the full life, ministry, and sacraments of the church. We honor the guiding principle that discrimination is incompatible with Christ's message of unconditional love.

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“I lift up my eyes to the hills – from where will my help come?
My help comes from the Lord, who made
heaven and earth.” Psalm 121:1-2

SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 2025 ~ 10:00AM WORSHIP

**Indicates a time when you are invited to stand if you choose.*

PRELUDE Processional on "WESTMINSTER ABBEY” Robert Wetzler (b. 1932)
"JESU, JOY OF MAN’S DESIRING” (from *Cantata #147*)
JS Bach (1685-1750)

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Eric Dupee
L: I was glad when they said to me, let us go to the house of the Living God.
P: This is the day when we rejoice in God’s creative activity.
L: We give thanks that once more, God has brought us together.
P: Peace to all who enter here, peace in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen!

CHIMES FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION

GATHERING PRAYER *(together)* Phil Woodman
O God, in our time of worship, and throughout our days, remain at the center of our thoughts and actions. When all that we do seems to distract us from your purposes, draw us back to you. Hold us together in community. Be for us a home base, a center of gravity, a balance point, a source of loving support through Christ Jesus, in whose name we pray...

LORD’S PRAYER *(together)*
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.

***OPENING HYMN** “JESUS CALLS US O’ER THE TUMULT” No. 345

PASTORAL PRAYER AND PRAYERS

SPECIAL MUSIC **Joyce Andersen and Harvey Reid**

SCRIPTURE Luke 9:51-62 N.T 61 Phil Woodman

SERMON “Things Jesus Does For Love” Rev. Eric Dupee

OFFERING OUR GIFTS **Joyce Andersen and Harvey Reid**

***DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF COMMITMENT** *(together)* No. 34
You are free to sing inclusive lyrics (below) or traditional lyrics (from the hymnal).
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** “O JESUS, I HAVE PROMISED” No. 458

CLOSING BLESSING AND THREEFOLD AMEN

POSTLUDE Fugue in C Major Attr., Bach

Today’s organ selections are the same three pieces that I played on my very first Sunday 30 years ago this month as music director at First Parish Church. WSP

We invite the congregation to remain seated in order to enjoy the postlude.
However, you are welcome to exit the sanctuary at any time.

Flowers are given in loving memory of my son, John Stewart, from Helen Stewart.



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FAITH FEATURES

THIS WEEK

Today, Sunday, June 29th	10am Worship
Monday, June 30th	8am Cardio & Tone
Tuesday, July 1st	8:30am Yoga
	9am Buildings & Grounds Meeting
	12noon Mission Board Meeting
Wednesday, July 2nd	8am Cardio/Strength
Thursday, July 3rd	8am Zumba
	9am York Village Quilters
	3pm Stewardship Committee Meeting
Friday, July 4th	8am Aerobics
Sunday, July 6th	10am Worship/Communion- Music by Terrie Ilaria and Jim White



Ministers

All the Members of the Congregation

Leading Worship Today:

Rev. Eric Dupee

Staff

Wendell S. Purrington, Director of Music Ministries

Terrie Ilaria, Music Associate

Trey Selenga, Youth & Family Ministry Coordinator

First Parish Church Lay Leaders

Nancy Stevens, Moderator

Jonn Schrimper, Vice Moderator

Ray Hamlin, Treasurer

Susan Mancinelli, Clerk

Coffee Hour: Please come to Fellowship Hall, directly across the one-way road, for refreshments and conversation. All are welcome.

Fellowship in Action: RESCHEDULED-Day trip to Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens Fellowship In Action invites you on a fun day trip to Boothbay **on Monday, July 7** to visit the largest botanical garden in New England. Located on more than 300 acres along the MidCoast, the Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens is a true Maine experience. We will have lunch in the Gardens Cafe, or you can bring your own picnic lunch. We plan to return to York by 6pm.

- **IN-PERSON** pricing (cheaper if bought online)
Adults: **\$29**, Seniors & Veterans: **\$25**, Students (18+ with Student ID): **\$20**,
Children (3-17): **\$13**
- Meet promptly at 8:15am to depart from Fellowship Hall at 8:30am.
- FMI, click here: <https://www.maine gardens.org/>

Please contact Kathy McQueeney by Tuesday, July 1, to sign up for this trip, so carpooling arrangements can be coordinated. 603-380-0598 or kathymcqueeney@hotmail.com

Green Tip/News: Cooling tips for the summer: Set the thermostat at 78 degrees or higher, if you use ceiling fans. If you do use ceiling fans, you can save 3-5% on your A/C costs for each degree you raise the thermostat. Check furnace and A/C filters monthly. Ceiling fans make you feel about 4 degrees cooler by moving air across your skin, but they do not lower the actual temperature of the room. Use the auto-fan setting.

Blessings for Wendell: For over 30 years, Wendell Purrington has served as Director of Music Ministries. For the next nine weeks, he will be away for rest and renewal. We are so fortunate that Terrie Ilaria, Music Associate at First Parish, will lead the music program in Wendell's absence. May Wendell enjoy his time away and thank you, Terrie!