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.

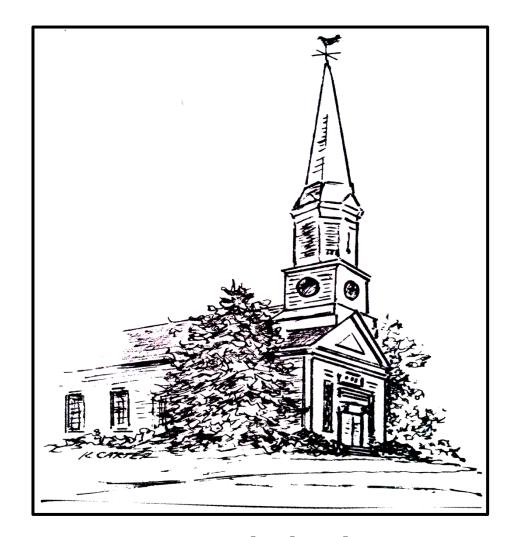
Photos: We regularly take photos for use in media. If you would prefer you or your child's image not be used, please inform a pastor after worship.

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 hereby command you: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

SUNDAY, JULY 13, 25 ~ 10:00AM WORSHIP HYMN SING SUNDAY

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

9:45AM HYMN SING

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Eric Dupee

- L: Children of God, are you listening? God has planted seeds of hope among us.
- P: We have heard of this hope!
- L: Are you listening? The hope of God's good news forms us to love with the love of Christ.
- P: We cling to this hope as we grow in love of God, neighbor, and all creation.
- L: Children of God, come! Come, let us worship God who graciously offers us the gift of hope.
- P: Let us worship God who empowers us to put our hope into faithful actions!

PRELUDE FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION

GATHERING PRAYER (together)

Carolyn Dupre

Holy God, we come together to worship, a people who would like to think that we love you with all our hearts and souls, with all our might, but there are so many other things in our lives that clamor for our attention. We get bogged down forgetting who we are. We forget who you are. We gather before you today, with our human foibles and our short attention spans, asking that you would make yourself known to us in the risen Christ, who taught us to 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 "THE SUMMONS" (verses 1-3) No. 350

PASTORAL PRAYER AND PRAYERS

SPECIAL "I AM THE VINE" by Vince Ambrosetti

James White, tenor

PASTORAL PRAYER AND PRAYERS

SCRIPTURE Luke 10:25-37 N.T. 62 Carolyn Dupre

SERMON "Won't You Be MY Neighbor" Rev. Eric Dupee

SERMON RESPONSE "THE SUMMONS" (verse 4) No. 350

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

"BLUE BOAT HOME"

James White, Tenor

*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 "LORD, I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN" (verse 1-3) No. 457

CLOSING BLESSING AND THREEFOLD AMEN

FPC Mission: Following in the way of Jesus, we aspire to authentically invite, courageously include, and generously serve all with compassion and grace.

POSTLUDE "NO GREATER LOVE" by Tommy Walker, arr. Carol Tornquist

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

THIS WEEK

Today, Sunday, July 13th

Monday, July 14th

Tuesday, July 15th Wednesday, July 16th Thursday, July 17th

Friday, July 18th Sunday, July 20th 9:45am Hymn Sing

10am Worship

8am Cardio & Tone

6:30pm Fellowship in Action

8:30am Yoga

8am Cardio/Strength

8am Zumba

5:30pm Bylaws Committee Meeting

8am Aerobics 10am Worship

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 Ministries

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.

Out to Lunch Bunch: Is canceled for today, July 13. See you Sunday, August 10.

Altar Flowers: If you would like to donate altar flowers for a Sunday in July contact Marie Stuppy at mariestuppy@gmail.com or 207-351-3321

Fellowship in Action: Monday, July 14 at 6:30pm. All are welcome, refreshments provided.

First Parish E-Newsletter: Each Wednesday First Parish sends an email containing a weekly newsletter titled *The Oasis*. It contains news and information about things happening at First Parish Church, a prayer list, and a word from the pastor. If you'd like to receive this weekly email, just contact Betty in our church office at office@firstparishyork.net.

Green News/Tips: A new study by Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS) indicates: "Our analysis shows sea level rise will put more than 1600 critical infrastructure assets along the US coasts, such as schools, public housing, fire stations, waste water treatment plants(!) at risk of disruptive flooding two or more times yearly over the next 25 years. www.greenenergytimes.org