

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.

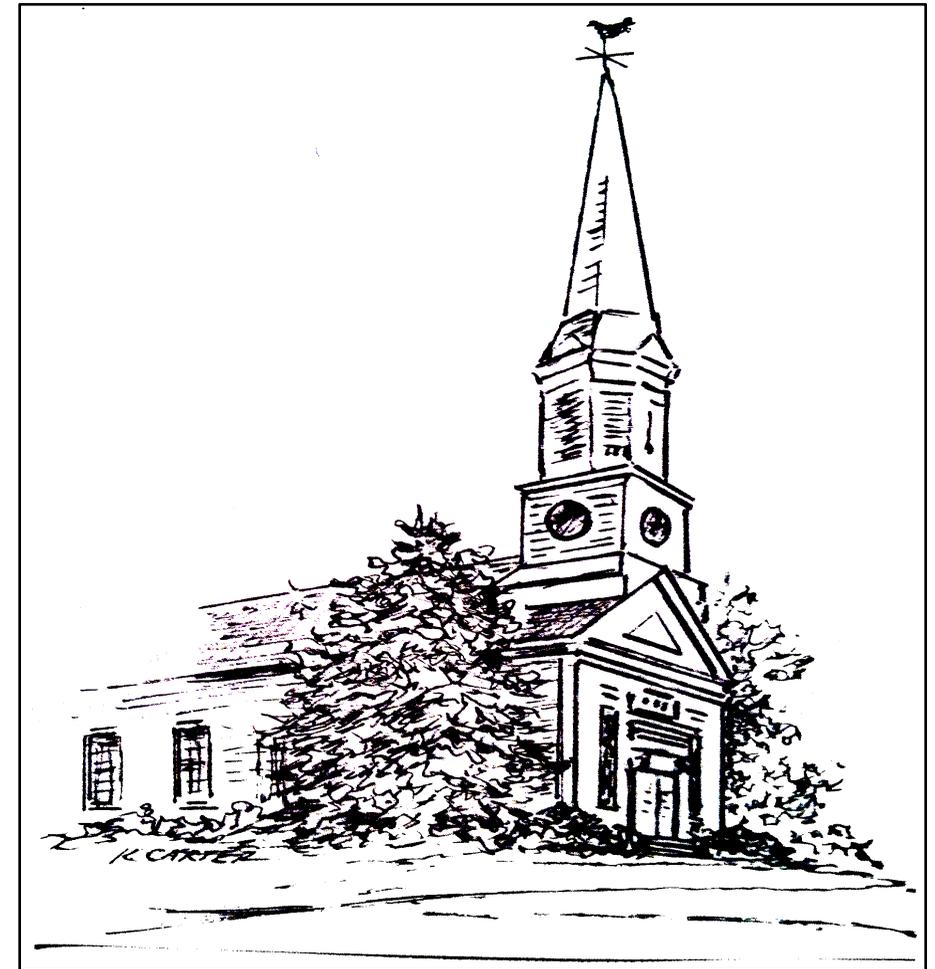
Nursery Care: *Our downstairs nursery is not currently staffed due to our pandemic restrictions*, but you are welcome to accompany your child to the nursery at any point during the worship and spend time there as a family if you feel that you need to.

Video and Streaming: We stream our worship services live and archive them on www.youtube.com. 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. Until further notice, *masks are required for all students and teachers while inside*. If you have any questions about the masking and distancing protocols practiced by First Parish's youth programs, please do reach out to Pastor Dan or any of our Sunday School teachers. Sunday School is free of charge.

Pastoral Care: If you'd like to meet with a pastor, please call the office at (207) 363-3758, or send an email to eric@firstparishyork.net or dan@firstparishyork.net. The pastors are also available to make hospital visits, and we ask that you let us know if you or a family member would like a visit. Due to hospital confidentiality regulations, the hospital will not inform us unless you explicitly ask them to do so.



First Parish Church
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United Church of Christ

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9, 2022 ~ 9:30AM WORSHIP

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

9:15AM HYMN SING

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Dan Hollis

PRELUDE FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION

(Candles will be lit as a sign of Christ's light in the world.)

Hymn Prelude on "SHALL WE GATHER AT THE RIVER"

Setting: Sam Bett Owens (1928-1998)

GATHERING PRAYER *(together)*

Rev. Eric Dupee

Lord God, you revealed your Son in the waters of the Jordan and anointed him with the power of the Holy Spirit to proclaim good news to all people. Sanctify us by the same Spirit, that we may proclaim the healing power of the gospel by acts of love, in the name of the one 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** "WHEN JESUS CAME TO JORDAN" No. 241

MESSAGE FOR ALL AGES

(Sunday School is on Christmas break until January 23. Children are always welcome in worship; and, if at any point you feel you need it, your family is free to spend some time in our nursery room downstairs.)

ANTHEM

"COME TO THE WATER" Setting: Jack Schrader (b. 1942)

O let all who thirst, let them come to the water.

And let all who have nothing, let them come to the Lord.

Let all who seek, let them come to the water:

without money, without strife.

Why should you spend you life, except for the Lord?

And let all the poor, let them come to the water.

Bring the ones who are laden to the Lord:

bring the children without might.

Easy the load and light; come to the Lord.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SCRIPTURE John 1:19-32 N.T. 79

Barbara Kern

SERMON

Pastor Dan Hollis

RESPONSE

Rev. Eric Dupee

OFFERING OUR GIFTS "SOUND OVER ALL WATERS" Paul Halley (b. 1952)

Sound over all waters, reach out from all lands.

The chorus of voices, the clasping of hands.

Sing hymns that were sung by the stars of the morn.

Sing songs of the angels when Jesus was born.

With glad jubilations bring hope to the nations.

The dark night is ending, and dawn has begun.

Gina Connolly, soloist

***DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF COMMITMENT** *(together)* No. 34

***CLOSING HYMN** "GLORIFY THY NAME" No. 146

CLOSING BLESSING AND THREEFOLD AMEN

Pastor Dan Hollis

POSTLUDE

Hornpipe (from *Water Music*)

G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

Prayers for our precious and fragile Earth, from the Flower Committee.



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 7pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
 8am Aerobics
 9:30am Worship/Gospel Music Sunday
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 5pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

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Tuesday, January 11th

Wednesday, January 12th

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Friday, January 14th

Sunday, January 16th

Flower Committee: If anyone is interested in giving altar flowers for a Sunday in January please contact Eileen Ott at 207-363-2141.

Beach Clean Up: Saturday, January 22 Long Sands Bath House 9:30am-10:30am. Bring a bag, pokey stick? And your troop, team, grandson, your neighbor, coworker or friend. Sponsored by First Parish Church.

Green Tip/News: Know that the rental car companies are increasing their inventories of hybrids and EV's (electric vehicles). A perfect time to try one out.



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All the Members of the Congregation

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Reverend Eric Dupee

Staff

Wendell S. Purrington, Director of Music Ministries

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