

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.

Hearing Assistance: Devices are available. Please ask a greeter to provide one.

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.

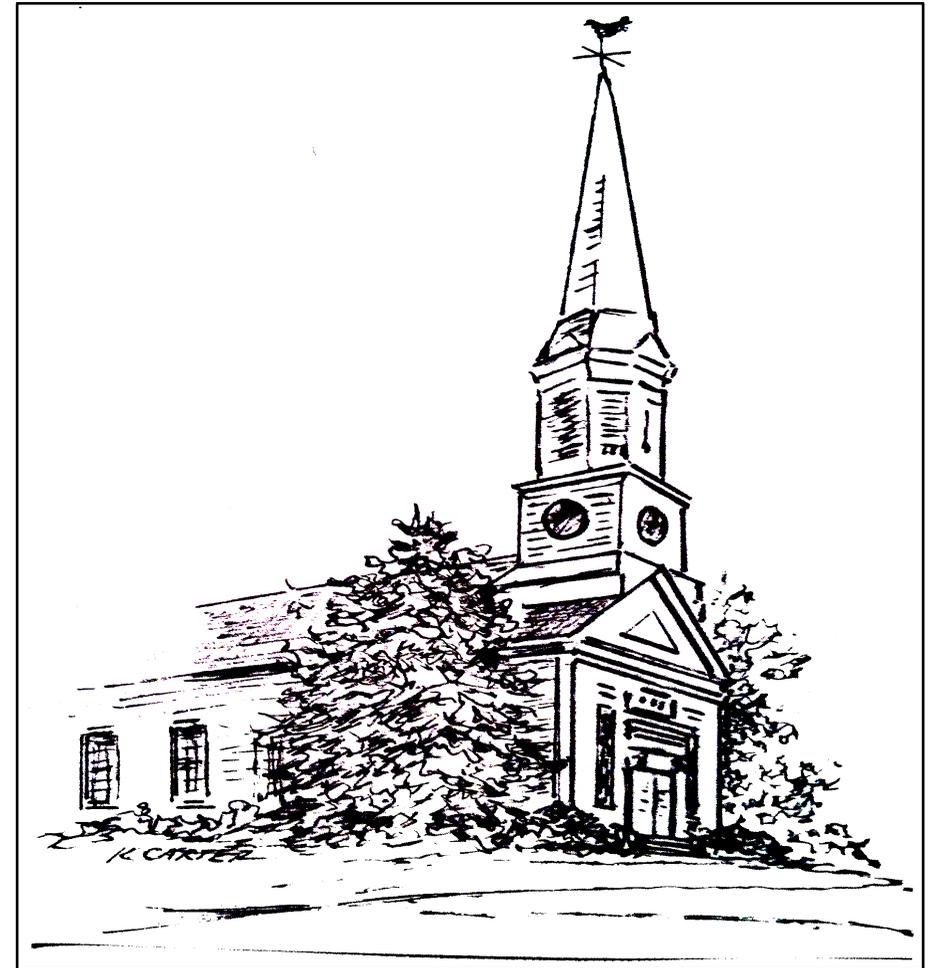
Nursery Care: *Our downstairs nursery is not currently staffed due to our pandemic restrictions*, but you are welcome to accompany your child to the nursery at any point during the worship and spend time there as a family if you feel that you need to.

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
Congregational
United Church of Christ

**SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2022 ~ 9:30AM WORSHIP
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT/COMMUNION**

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

PRELUDE

Sanctus (from *St. Cecelia Mass*) Charles Gounod (1818-1893)
“WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS” Arr., Dale Wood (1934-2003)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Eric Dupee

L: Jesus began his ministry, led by the Spirit into the wilderness.

P: Let us be led by the Spirit, even into the uncomfortable places.

L: Jesus was faced with hunger, doubt and temptation.

P: We would be led, even into the uncomfortable choices.

L: Jesus left the wilderness, faithful to the One in whom he trusted.

P: We will be led by our Christ, trusting in our God.

CHIMES FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION

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

***GATHERING PRAYER** *(together)*

Living God, let us hear your words of scripture and song so that they may move us. May we come from our time of worship with the same fire and passion that burned in the life of Jesus as he came out of his wilderness. Hear us, as we offer the prayer he taught...

***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 “LORD, WHO THROUGHOUT THESE FORTY DAYS” No. 252

(Children ages 4 and up are invited to go to the church foyer to meet with their Sunday School teachers immediately following the hymn.)

ANTHEM

"JESUS WALKED THIS LONESOME VALLEY"
Traditional Spiritual, Arr., Michael Larkin (b. 1951)
*Jesus walked this lonesome valley. He had to walk it by Himself.
Nobody else could walk it for Him. He had to walk it by Himself.
Jesus went to stand His trial. He had to stand it by Himself.
Nobody else could stand it for Him. He had to stand it by Himself.
I must go and stand my trial. I have to stand it by myself.
Nobody else could stand it for me. I have to stand it by myself.*

**First Parish Vocal Ensemble
Brian Wood, flute**

PASTORAL PRAYER AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SCRIPTURE Luke 4:1-13 N.T. 53 Robert Finch

SERMON “Don’t Fall for It” Rev. Eric Dupee

OFFERING OUR GIFTS "JESUS, KEEP ME NEAR THE CROSS"
and "IN THE CROSS OF CHRIST I GLORY"
Arr., Cindy Berry (b. 1949)
Terrie Ilaria, piano

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

HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to take Communion. As a pandemic precaution, you should have received an individually packaged wafer and juice as you entered the church. If you did not receive it, please see an usher.

***CLOSING HYMN** “GOD BE WITH YOU” No. 716

CLOSING BLESSING AND THREEFOLD AMEN Rev. Eric Dupee

POSTLUDE “ON EAGLE’S WINGS” Arr., John Carter (b. 1930)

*Flowers are given in loving memory of our nephews, Mark and Kevin Lathrop
from Sherry and Jeffrey McConnell.*



THIS WEEK

Today, Sunday, March 6	9:30am Worship First Sunday of Lent/Communion 10:30am Lent Daily Devotional Study
Monday, March 7	8am Zumba
Tuesday, March 8th	8:30am Yoga 6:30pm Assessors Meeting
Wednesday, March 9th	8am Strength Training 9:30am Women's Bible Study 7pm Lent Daily Devotional Study (Zoom)
Thursday, March 10th	8am Zumba 5pm Handbell Rehearsal 6pm Sweet Spirit Rehearsal 7pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Friday, March 11th	8am Aerobics 5:30pm Youth Group-Grades 5-7 6:45pm Youth Group-Grade 8
Saturday, March 12th	10am Video Streaming Open House
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Fellowship in Action: Calvary Bible Church's 28th Annual Ladies Day Apart with Liz Curtis Higgs. Saturday, April 2 8am-3pm. Advance tickets required \$45 registration fee includes breakfast and a boxed lunch. Car pool from First Parish Church Contact Dianne at 207-351-8105 or goodee4u@aol.com

Green Tip/News: Lift up prayers in personal and public worship for environmental justice and equality in our efforts. Commit to energy conservation. Repent of any acts of greed, overconsumption and waste. Help us to help others in this effort. Residents helping residents.



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