

**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](http://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.

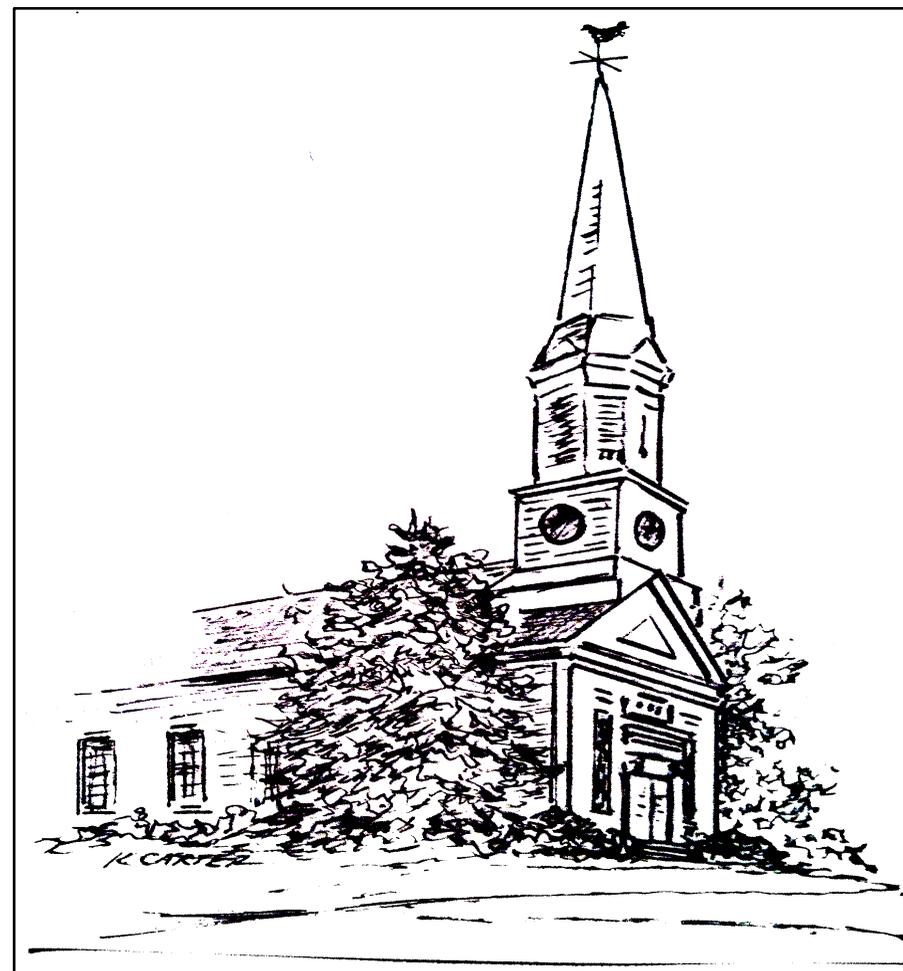
**Nursery Care:** *Our nursery is temporarily closed.*

**Video and Streaming:** We stream our worship services live and archive them on [www.youtube.com](http://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. 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](mailto:eric@firstparishyork.net) or [dan@firstparishyork.net](mailto: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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**SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 2022 ~ 9:30AM WORSHIP**

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

**PRELUDE** "IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL" Arr., Cindy Berry (b. 1949)  
**Terrie Ilaria, Music Associate**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Pastor Dan Hollis

**CHIMES FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION**  
*(Candles will be lit as a sign of Christ's light in the world.)*

**GATHERING PRAYER** *(together)* Pastor Eric Dupee  
**Gracious God, daily you invite us to bring our doubts and fears, our joys and concerns, our petitions and our praise to you. Receive our prayers and our worship this day, O God, and transform us through them, that we may have eyes to see and hearts to understand not only what you do on our behalf, but what you call us to do in the name of the risen Jesus, who taught us this prayer...**

**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** "THAT EASTER DAY WITH JOY WAS BRIGHT" No. 299

**MESSAGE FOR ALL AGES** Pastor Eric Dupee

*(Children ages 4 and up are invited to go to the church foyer to meet with their Sunday School teachers immediately following the Message for All Ages)*

**ANTHEM**

"THE TIME FOR TURNING"  
Text: Pamela Martin/Music: Craig Courtney  
*To everything a season, to everything a time;  
a moment to move forward and leave the past behind.  
As summer turns to autumn and bids farewell to spring,  
there comes a time for turning to every living thing.  
Now is the time for turning and this the place to start;  
for yielding to the yearning, for changing of the heart;  
a moment to surrender the things we should release.  
Forgive and find forgiveness, and in forgiveness, peace.*  
**Sweet Spirit**

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**SCRIPTURE** John 20:24-29 N.T. 101 Scott Stevens

**SERMON** Pastor Dan Hollis

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS** "AN IRISH BLESSING"  
Bob Chilcott (b. 1955)

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

**\*CLOSING HYMN** "IN CHRIST THERE IS NO EAST OR WEST" No. 603

**CLOSING BLESSING AND THREEFOLD AMEN** Pastor Dan Hollis

**POSTLUDE** "I SING THE MIGHTY POWER OF GOD"  
Arr., Carol Tornquist

*Flowers are given in loving memory of David Ott  
from Eileen Ott*



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FAITH FEATURES

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Joe Goldstein, Larry Richburg, Kim and Mel Clausen, Gary Goss, Bob Myers, Jim Dupre, Pastor Eric, Tom McElwain and Philip Drew.

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**Fellowship in Action:** Morning trip to Fuller Gardens, Rye, NH - Saturday, June 11. We will carpool from Fellowship Hall at 10A.M. Rain date will be June 12 right after worship. Fuller Gardens is a Turn of the Century Estate with gardens featuring thousands of rose bushes as well as beautiful perennials. Lunch at the nearby Atlantic Grill. Admission to Fuller Gardens is \$8.00 for seniors and \$10.00 for adults. All are welcome! Sign up by May 11 with Joyce Willette at [jimagee2@maine.rr.com](mailto:jimagee2@maine.rr.com) or call at 207-351-9992.

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**Today, Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>**  
**Wednesday, April 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>**

9:30am Worship  
8am Zumba  
8:30am Yoga  
8am Strength Training  
9:30am Wednesday Bible Study  
6:30pm Church Council Meeting  
8am Zumba  
5pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal  
6pm Sweet Spirit Rehearsal  
7pm Sanctuary Choir (All Voices)  
8am Aerobics  
9:30am Worship/Communion  
10:30am Inquirers Conversations  
10:45am Creation Care Committee Meeting



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