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 socioeconomic 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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First Parish Church Congregational United Church of Christ

SUNDAY, MAY 28, 2023 ~ 10AM WORSHIP PENTECOST/BAPTISM

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

PRELUDE Trumpet Voluntary Gordon Young (1919-1998)

Hymn Prelude "I FEEL THE WINDS OF GOD TODAY"

Arr., Robert Cundick (1926-2016)

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Eric Dupee

"SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT"

No. 134

CHIMES FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION

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

"HOLY, HOLY, HOLY" (*Nicaea*) Arr., Sandra Eithun (b. 1963)

First Parish Handbell Choir

GATHERING PRAYER (together)

O God, Living, Eternal Spirit, in this hour of worship, help us to put our own desires aside and direct our thoughts to you. Let your power fill this church and our lives fully, just as it has filled churches and people throughout the ages. Teach us to be *your* church and *your* people, even as we offer the prayer Jesus 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 "COME, GREAT GOD OF ALL THE AGES" No. 548

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Rev. Dan Hollis

Surie Hazel Udeshi – born February 5, 2023 daughter of Rupesh Udeshi and Jennifer Udeshi Ashish Udeshi and Lindsay Nichols, godparents

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

ANTHEM

"HERE I AM, LORD" Arr., Mark Hayes (b. 1953)

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

I will set a feast for them, my hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

First Parish Sanctuary Choir

PASTORAL PRAYER AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SCRIPTURE Acts 2:1-21 N.T. 103 Terrie Ilaria

SERMON "The Spirit Poured Out" Rev. Eric Dupee

OFFERING OUR GIFTS Hymn Prelude on "BE THOU MY VISION" Arr., Dale Wood (1934-2003)

(Please sign and pass the maroon fellowship pads on the center aisle of each pew, look at the names as they are passed back and forth and greet one another after the service.)

*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, we heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost, Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN "BREATHE ON ME, BREATH OF GOD" No. 461

CLOSING BLESSING AND THREEFOLD AMEN

POSTLUDE "SPIRIT SONG" Arr., John Carter (b.1930)

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 David Bardwell by his family.

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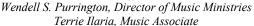
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Snacks and water provided. This group will include music, meditation and personal sharing. Please contact Kathie White via email at kwhitemed@gmail.com with any questions or to reserve your spot. Space is limited.

Green Tip/News: Most traditional toilet paper is made from virgin softwood pulp, which is sourced directly from trees in our forests. When you consider the average American used over 140 rolls per year, the number of trees being cut down and the energy used to create them suggests we could do better. Producing a single roll of toilet paper requires 37gallons of water and 1.3kwh electricity. Consider trying one of these plastic-free alternatives. They are 100% biodegradable made with only recycled fibers. Options include: Marcal, Seventh Generation, Tushy Bamboo, Georgia-Pacific Envision, Reef's 100% bamboo, and Pure Planet Club.

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Home Decor items, wall hangings, glassware, china, lamps, antiques, collectables, jewelry, small furniture, etc. – you get the idea! (all items must be clean and in good condition.)

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