

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.

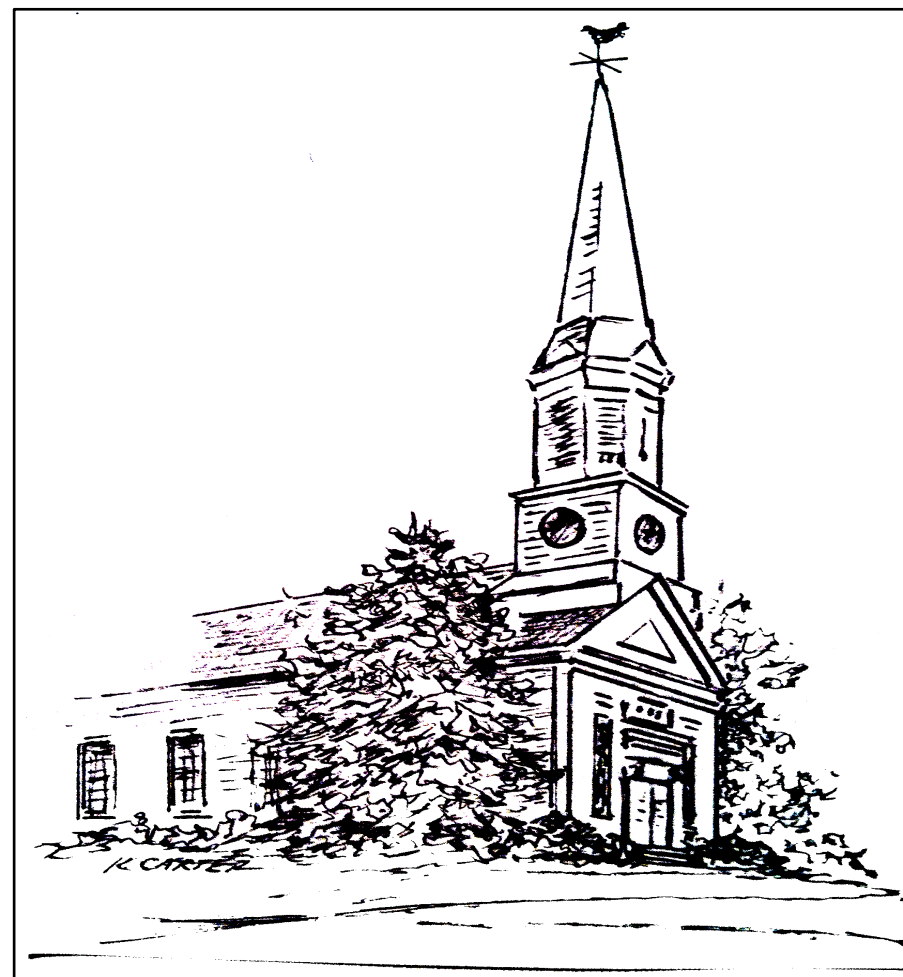
Video and Streaming: We stream our worship services live and archive them on www.youtube.com/@firstparishyork. If for privacy reasons you do not wish to have you or your children's faces appear on video, you can sit in pews that are marked on the ends with blue tape. Feel free to ask a deacon to show 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: Church school will be taking the summer off. During summer worship Deacons can provide activity bags for kids, and nursery space is available downstairs if your family has need of it at any point. As always children of all ages are welcome in worship with us, and baby noises are a source of joy for us all. Please be sure to return any activity bags at the end of the service. Sunday School will return in September!

**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.



**First Parish Church
Congregational
United Church of Christ**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2023 ~ 10AM WORSHIP

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

9:45AM HYMN SING

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Dan Hollis

PRELUDE FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION

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

“BE THOU MY VISION” Arr., Dale Wood (1934-2003)

Terrie Ilaria, Music Associate

GATHERING PRAYER *(together)*

Scott Stevens

Through the storms of life, O God, you are with your people in the person of Jesus your Son. Calm our fears and strengthen our faith that we may never doubt his presence among us but proclaim that he is your Son, risen from the dead, living for ever and ever, in whose name we 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

“JESUS CALLS US O’ER THE TUMULT” No. 345

MESSAGE FOR ALL AGES

Rev. Eric Dupee

SPECIAL MUSIC

Aynsley Fant and Vivan Martindale, duet
Esther Martindale, piano

PASTORAL PRAYER AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 14:22-33 N.T. 14

Scott Stevens

SERMON

Rev. Dan Hollis

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

"THIS IS THE DAY "

Text: Psalm 118/Music: Michael Joncas (b. 1951)

Karen Lynge, Kathy Mason, and Bonnie Periale

(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, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

“ETERNAL FATHER, STRONG TO SAVE” No. 74

CLOSING BLESSING AND THREEFOLD AMEN

POSTLUDE

“HOW GREAT THOU ART”

Arr., C. Berry

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 given in loving memory of my beloved Father, Harry T. Buck.

From daughter, Lynne Tocci.



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FAITH FEATURES

THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 13th

9:45am Hymn Sing-Special Music Aynsley, Esther and Vivan Martindale
10am Worship-Special Music by Terrie Ilaria, Kathy Mason, Karen Lynge, and Bonnie Periale
11am Out to Lunch Bunch

Monday, August 14th

8:30am Shake It Up
6:30pm Fellowship in Action

Tuesday, August 15th

8:30am Yoga

Wednesday, August 16th

8am Strength Training
9:30am Wednesday Bible Study-Zoom
7pm Book Study Group

Thursday, August 17th

8am Zumba

Friday, August 18th

8am Aerobics

Sunday, August 20th

10am Worship-Music by Joyce Andersen and Harvey Reid
11am Storyteller-Vivan Martindale

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Coffee Hour: We're looking for people to sign up to bring goodies to share during our Coffee Hour. These can be store bought or homemade. The signup poster is available each Sunday near the coffee table. Please contact Linda Hart with your questions 207-363-4493.

Flower Committee: If you would like to donate Altar Flowers for Sunday, August 20 or 27 please contact Karen Cox at 207-363-6115.

Green Tip/News: Use your buying power. Contact manufacturers and retailers whenever you buy something with excess plastic packaging to suggest they make changes; social media is a good way to bring attention to the issue too. Affirming businesses that are trying to do the right thing is so welcomed. Ask your area stores to carry more local goods, which cuts down on environmentally unfriendly shipping.
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Ministers

All the Members of the Congregation

Leading Worship Today:

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Rev. Eric Dupee

Staff

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