

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."

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: *Sunday School does not meet during the summer, and we are currently evaluating Sunday School's pandemic response for the fall.* During the school year, anyone age 4 through 8th grade is welcome to attend Sunday School. Partway through the service, children are invited to meet up with their teachers in the church foyer. Together, students and teachers then make their way to the Fellowship Hall classrooms. After worship, parents/guardians are asked to sign out and pick up children in their classrooms. (Family members are welcome to attend Sunday School if you wish!) 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 over. 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.



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Welcome

Vision

Following the way of Jesus, we aspire to *authentically invite, courageously include, and generously serve* all with compassion and grace.

Mission

Following the way of Jesus, we celebrate *inspirational worship*; create *life-changing experiences* for children, youth, families, and individuals; and practice *meaningful congregational care*.

While *respecting our diversity*, we *courageously advocate* for *justice and mercy*, and *intentionally respond* to the needs of our *community and the world*.

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 1, 2021 ~ 9:30AM WORSHIP
COMMUNION**

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

PRELUDE Allegro Risoluto Henry D'Aubel (1830-1899)
"PANIS ANGELICUS" ("Bread of the Angels") César Franck (1822-1890)

WELCOME

CHIMES FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

***OPENING HYMN** *(together)* "AS WE GATHER AT YOUR TABLE" No. 695

GATHERING PRAYER *(together)*

Living God, Jesus embodied your eternal love in word and deed. Thank you for that gift. We thank you also that today, as the Body of Christ, we can witness that same love for one another, proclaiming that each person is your beloved child. In our worship, encourage us all in our life together, that we might find new ways to uncover your gracious presence in the world. We pray this in the name of Christ and we pray as 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.

ANTHEM

"O BLESS THE LORD"

Words: Psalm 148/Music: John Michaels (b. 1947)
Terrie Ilaria, Kathy Mason, Karen Lyng

PASTORAL PRAYER AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SCRIPTURE Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-16 N.T. 171 Barbara Elkhorn

SERMON "GROW UP"

RESPONSE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS "LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER"
Arr., Robert D. Vandall (1944-2017)
Terrie Ilaria and Wendell S. Purrington, duo-pianists

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

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

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** "WE ALL ARE ONE IN MISSION" No. 552

CLOSING BLESSING AND THREEFOLD AMEN

POSTLUDE Postludium Gordon Young (1919-1998)

Communion flowers are provided by the Esther W. Hungerford Fund.



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Tuesday, August 3rd	8:30am Yoga
Wednesday, August 4th	8am Cardio/Strength
Thursday, August 5th	8am Zumba
	9am Buildings & Grounds Committee Meeting
	3pm Stewardship Committee Meeting
Friday, August 6th	8am Aerobics
Sunday, August 7th	9:30am Worship



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All the Members of the Congregation
 Leading Worship Today:
 Pastor Eric Dupee

Staff
 Wendell S. Purrington, Director of Music Ministries
 Terrie Ilaria, Music Associate

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