

Welcome Guests! We're glad you're here. Restrooms are available on the lower level of this building. Handicap accessible restrooms are in Fellowship Hall, next door. Ask a greeter for assistance. You're invited to enjoy refreshments at "coffee hour" in Fellowship Hall immediately following worship.

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

Nursery Care: Nursery care provided downstairs for children 4 years old and under. Summer Bags available in the back of the church.

Sunday School: Sunday School is taking the summer off for school vacation! Youth are more than welcome to stay for the duration of the worship service each week. Sunday School will begin again for all youth ages 4 through 6th grade on September 8th. Please contact the church office to register for the year.

Exiting in Case of Emergency: In the event of an emergency, the front half of the church (nearest the altar) will exit through the two side doors. The back half of the church (nearest the foyer) will exit out the front doors and side ramp. The Deacons will assist those on the lower level to exit out the lower level back doors.

Pastoral Care: If you'd like to meet with a pastor, please call the office at 363-3758 Monday – Friday 9am-2pm. For emergency pastoral care after office hours and on weekends, you may reach one of the pastors by calling 207-358-9776. The pastors are available to make hospital visits and we invite you to 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 ask them to do so.

Photos and Video: We regularly take photos and video for use in media. If you would prefer your/your child's image not be used, please inform a pastor after worship.



180 York Street, York, Maine 03909 ♦ 207-363-3758
office@firstparishyork.net ♦ www.firstparishyork.net



First Parish Church
Congregational
United Church of Christ

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 18, 2019 ~ 9:30AM WORSHIP

** Please stand if you are able*

PRELUDE Voluntary in D Major Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971)
“NOW LET US ALL PRAISE GOD AND SING” Setting: Gordon Young (1919-1998)

THE INVITATION God’s grace, mercy, and peace be with you. Rev. Estelle Margarones
And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *(responsive)* Pastor Dan Hollis

We gather together to pray, to praise, and to practice our faith.

We gather together to listen, to learn, to lean on God, and to lead people to Christ.

Let us be mindful of God’s gifts and the great responsibility with which we have been entrusted.

We will be responsive to Christ's call upon our hearts!

***HOSPITALITY MOMENT**

“No matter who you are or where you are on life’s journey, you are welcome here.”
(Please greet one another with a sign of God’s peace.)

***OPENING HYMN** “LORD OF ALL HOPEFULNESS” No. 469

GATHERING PRAYER *(unison)* Rev. Estelle Margarones
Mighty God, giver of life, you created us in love and nurtured us along. Yet, from time to time, each of us has gone astray...rogue...wild. In those times, we have felt distant from you, though it was our own doing. Help us to be the people you would have us be. Help us to be sweet, not sour. Help us to work together to bring about something that is nourishing to all. Let us live the lives you have in mind! We pray this in the name of the one who taught us to pray saying,

THE LORD’S PRAYER *(unison)*

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC “CHANGED” Levox, Thrasher, and Mobley

*I came up out of the water, raised my hands up to the Father,
Gave it all to Him that day, felt a new wind kiss my face.
Walked away, eyes wide open, could finally see where I was going.
It didn’t matter where I’ve been, I’m not the same that I was then.
Here I am...changed.*

Melissa O’Keefe, soloist

PASTORAL PRAYER AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Pastor Dan Hollis

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 5:1-7 O.T. page 594 Dianne Goodwin
Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19 O.T. page 503

SERMON Rev. Estelle Margarones

HYMN “MAKE ME A CHANNEL OF YOUR PEACE” No. 587

OFFERING OUR GIFTS “O LOVE THAT CASTS OUT FEAR” (from *Cantata #45*)
J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

***DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF COMMITMENT** 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!

***CLOSING HYMN** “O CHRISTIANS, HASTE” No. 565

THE BLESSING AND THREEFOLD AMEN

POSTLUDE Marche Romaine Charles Gounod (1818-1893)

*Flowers given in remembrance of my husband and best friend Norman J. Macdonald
By Carol Macdonald.*

THIS WEEK

Today, Sunday, August 18 th	9:30am Worship/ Music provided by Melissa O'Keefe, soloist
Monday, August 19 th	8am Zumba
Tuesday, August 20 th	8:30am Yoga 5-7pm Table of Plenty 7pm Deacons Meeting
Wednesday, August 21 st	8:30am Zumba 11am Book Group-York Public Library
Thursday, August 22 nd	8:30am Aerobics
Friday, August 23 rd	8:30am Aerobics
Sunday, August 25 th	9:30am Worship/Music provided by Sweet Spirit



Ministers

All the Members of the Congregation

Leading Worship Today:

Rev. Estelle Margarones

Rev. Dan Hollis

Staff

Wendell S. Purrington, Director of Music Ministries

Terrie Ilaria, Music Associate

Janet Cassidy, Church School Coordinator

First Parish Church Lay Leaders

Jan Jonas, Moderator

Thom Kearns, Vice Moderator

Ray Hamlin, Treasurer

Susan Mancinelli, Clerk



First Parish Church
Congregational
United Church of Christ
FAITH FEATURES

New Book Group! Join us to discuss *The Life of the Beloved (Sacred Living in a Secular World)* by Henri Nouwen. We'll meet on Wednesdays in August from 11 AM-12 Noon in the Wheeler Room at the York Library. This week (8/21), we'll discuss *Becoming the Beloved (Broken & Given)*. For more info, contact Rev. Estelle at 363-3758.

Creation Care Committee: will meet Sunday, August 25 after worship about 10:45. We will be hearing reports from Nan Roberts on mesh bags, James Kences/ Beach Cleanup efforts, Electric Cars@York Land Trust, tire pressure update, composting update and more! Followed by brainstorming. Please feel free to join us. Questions? Linda Drew p.l.drew79@me.com

Weekly Creation Care Tip: Use the library!! There's no need to buy every book you want to read; libraries often have the book or can certainly get the book. Check their websites for access to books, CD's, DVD's- you'll save money, paper, and the energy it takes to transport books to stores. (Source: Metroactive.com, york.lib.me.us)

PLEASE SAVE THE DATES

August 26 - Public Forum on First Parish/Town of York Land Agreement at 7pm in the York Public Library.

September 15 – Orientation Brunch at 10:45am in the Sanctuary Lounge.

September 23 – Community Wide Beach Clean Up.

September 28 – Pumpkins delivered at 8:30am in front of the Parish House.

October 12 – First Parish Church Village Faire at 9am-4pm.