

**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. If you'd like more information about the church, please see the Welcome brochure in your pew back.

**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 6<sup>th</sup> grade on September 8<sup>th</sup>. 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.



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First Parish Church  
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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 25, 2019 ~ 9:30AM WORSHIP**

*\* Please stand if you are able*

**PRELUDE** A Festive Trumpet Tune Gilbert M. Martin (b. 1941)  
"O LOVE THAT CASTS OUT FEAR" (from *Cantata #45*) J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

**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

Let us open our minds and our hearts to God's presence.

**In this time, we intentionally look for God and listen for God's word.**

Let us open our minds, hearts, and hands to our community and our neighbors.

**When we leave, we will take God's peace, mercy, and justice into the world!**

**\*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** "LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH" No. 614

**GATHERING PRAYER** *(unison)* Rev. Estelle Margarones

**Holy God, we know you are still speaking. We listen and learn. Wise God, teach us your ways here in church and out in the world. Help us to take our learnings and apply them so that those around us may benefit from your love and your light. We pray this in the name of your son Jesus, 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** "THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE" Traditional Spiritual  
**Sweet Spirit**  
**Terrie Ilaria, accompanist**

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** Pastor Dan Hollis

**SCRIPTURE** Isaiah 58:6-12 O.T. page 648 Sherry McConnell

**SERMON** Rev. Estelle Margarones

**HYMN** "A PLACE AT THE TABLE" No. 617

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS** Pastor Dan Hollis  
"ANGELS CARRY ME HOME" Arr., John Purifoy  
**Sweet Spirit**

**\*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** "GOD BE WITH YOU" No. 716

**THE BLESSING AND THREEFOLD AMEN** Rev. Estelle Margarones

**POSTLUDE** Recessional on "To God Be the Glory"  
Arr., J. Christopher Pardini (b.1973)

*Flowers given in loving memory of our son John by his father George Cooper.*

## THIS WEEK

Today, Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup>

9:30am Worship  
10:45am Creation Care Committee Meeting

Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup>

8am Zumba

Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>

8:30am Yoga  
5-7pm Table of Plenty  
7pm Church Council Meeting

Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>

8:30am Zumba  
11am Book Group-York Public Library  
7pm Search Committee Meeting

Thursday, August 29<sup>th</sup>

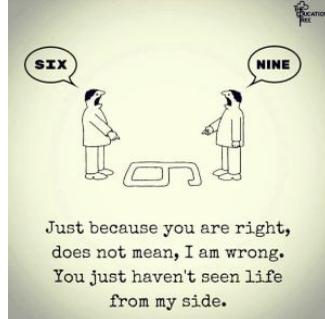
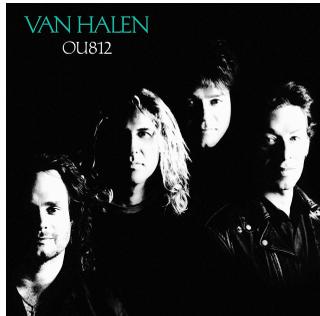
8:30am Aerobics  
6:00 – 7:00 James Kences “Small Annoyances”  
Comedy on the Village Green Stage

Friday, August 30<sup>th</sup>

8:30am Aerobics

Sunday, September 1<sup>st</sup>

9:30am Worship/Communion/Musical offerings  
provided by Terrie Ilaria, Karen Lynge, Kathy  
Mason, and Nathan Cox



### 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



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**FAITH FEATURES**

**Book Group!** Join us to discuss *The Life of the Beloved (Sacred Living in a Secular World)* by Henri Nouwen, this Wednesday from 11 AM-12 Noon in the Wheeler Room at the York Library. We'll discuss Living as the Beloved & Epilogue. For more info, contact Rev. Estelle at 363-3758. In September we'll discuss *Soul Talk* by Kirk Byron Jones.

**Mission News:** Have you seen our two new white Food Pantry crates? One is in the Narthex and one is in Fellowship Hall, joining the basket already in the entrance to the office. A list of currently needed items is displayed. A shout out to Allen Norris who will be delivering the items to the Food Pantry as needed!

**Weekly Creation Care Tip:** Water your lawn only when it needs it. If you step on the grass and the footprint remains, it needs water. Otherwise not. Letting grass grow taller (to 3") will also promote water retention. Most lawns need only 1"/wk. Even consider a more natural lawn, less grass more native plants and groundcovers. Our planet will thank you. (Source: [Eartheasy.com](http://Eartheasy.com))

## FIRST PARISH CHURCH VILLAGE FAIRE

OCTOBER 12, 2019 9am – 4pm

This Faire offers a wonderful opportunity to clean out those once loved items you no longer need or have room for! At the same time, it provides an opportunity for others to purchase needed items at an affordable price.

**MERCHANDISE SALES:** The following donations would be greatly appreciated

**ANTIQUES & COLLECTABLES:** Old, collectable items that are in good condition.

**ATTIC TREASURES:** Home decor items, wall hangings, small furniture, lamps, dishes, glasses.

**BOOKS:** Recent paperback books only - in good condition.

**JEWELRY:** Old and new, fashion, clunky, silver, gold, etc.

**TOOL SHED ITEMS:** Good condition workshop and garden tools.

**DROP OFF:** A detailed drop-off schedule will follow in September.

However, if you are cleaning out and need to donate early – items may be placed on the table marked “Village Faire” in the hall downstairs in Fellowship Hall (side door entrance)

**PLEASE: All items must be in good condition/glasses, dishes (min. set of 4)/No Electronics**

If you would like to join the committee or help out in any way, please contact Jan Jonas at [jancjonas@aol.com](mailto:jancjonas@aol.com) or Sherry McConnell at [sherrym@maine.rr.com](mailto:sherrym@maine.rr.com).