

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.*

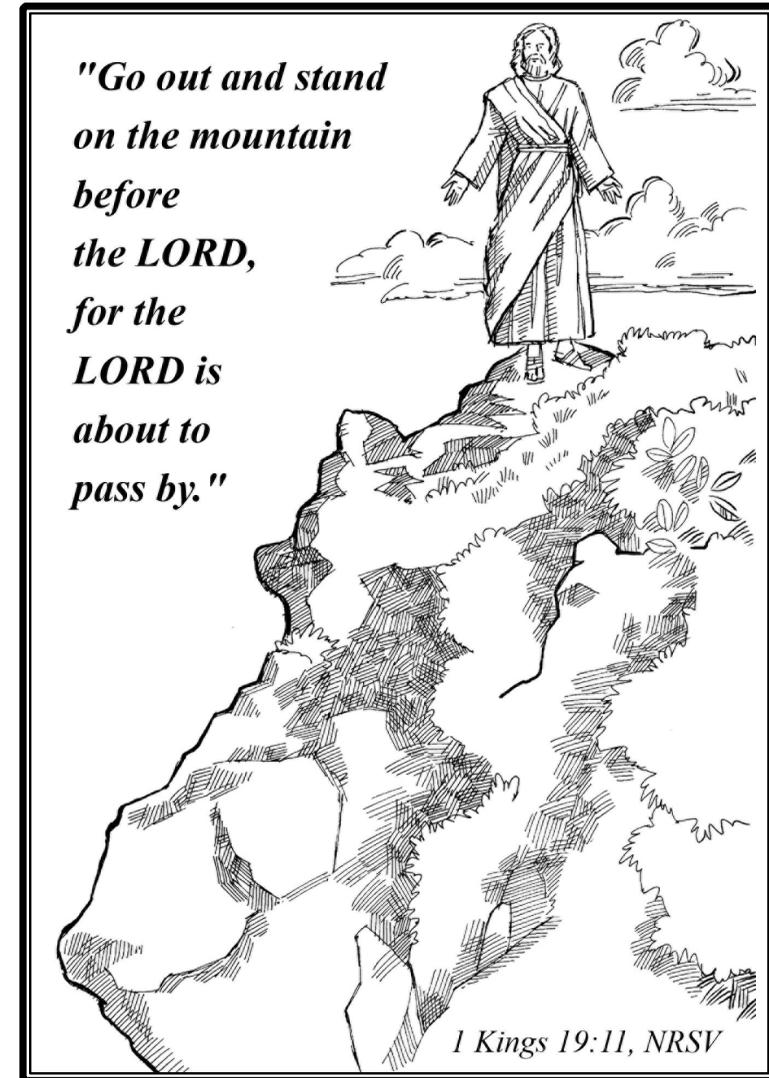
Video and Streaming: We stream our worship services live and archive them on www.youtube.com. If for privacy reasons you do not wish to have you or your children's faces appear on video, you can sit in pews that are marked on the ends with blue tape."

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

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8, 2021 ~ 9:30AM WORSHIP

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

WELCOME

PRELUDE FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION

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

“AMAZING GRACE” Arr., Christine D. Anderson
Diana Parton, Handbells

CALL TO WORSHIP

***OPENING HYMN** *(together)* “PRECIOUS LORD, TAKE MY HAND” No. 500
Gina Connolly

GATHERING PRAYER *(together)*

Thank you, God, for the gift of prayer that refreshes our hearts, quiets our minds, and heals our bodies. We offer you now what faith we have, that you may deepen it; what hope we own, that you may direct it; what wisdom we claim, that you may refine it. Strengthen us in our worship today and hear our prayer...

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 Aria in F Major Handel, Arr., Valerie W. Stephenson
Diana Parton, handbells

PASTORAL PRAYER AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SCRIPTURE 1 Kings 19:1-12 O.T. 302 Pat Smith

SERMON “THE SOUND OF SILENCE”

RESPONSE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS “SIMPLE GIFTS” Arr., Nancy L. VanZant

***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!

***CLOSING HYMN** “ON EAGLE'S WINGS” No. 438
Gina Connolly

CLOSING BLESSING AND THREEFOLD AMEN

POSTLUDE “O LET THE MERRY BELLS RING ROUND”
(from L'Allegro) G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

Flowers dedicated to the Church Family from the Flower Committee.



THIS WEEK

Today, Sunday, August 8th	9:30am Worship
Monday, August 9th	8am Zumba
	6:30pm Fellowship in Action
Tuesday, August 10th	8:30am Yoga
	6:30pm Assessors Meeting
Wednesday, August 11th	8am Cardio/Strength
	7pm Christian Education Committee Meeting
Thursday, August 12th	8am Zumba
Friday, August 13th	8am Aerobics
Sunday, August 15th	9:30am Worship

Fellowship Opportunity for All: Come join in the fun and planning of fellowship activities for our church community and beyond! Fellowship In Action monthly meeting is happening on Monday, August 9th at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall Parlor. Refreshments provided! All are welcome! FMI contact Kathy McQueeney at kathymcqueeney@hotmail.com or 603-580-1184

Gleaning Blueberries for the Food Pantry: We are looking for 3 to 6 people from First Parish Church to help “glean” the Friendly Blueberry Patch on Cider Hill Road (Route 91). When the owners give us the word that they are no longer offering picking to the public. It will likely be this week or next. We will simply pick the remaining blueberries and take them directly to the refrigerators at the YCSA Food Pantry for them to distribute. If you are interested contact Linda Drew p.l.drew79@me.com or 207-351-8141. I will communicate by email when I know the plan.

Church School Support: The Christian Education Committee at First Parish Church is seeking a part-time employee for Church School support. This role will offer our church school children and youth the care and support needed as we regather for the 2021-2022 program year. We wonder if you might find yourself called to this position? Do you know someone with experience leading a church school program? If so, please email Pastor Dan or Pastor Eric a brief resume and cover letter or drop one off at the church office. Pastor Dan Hollis, dan@fiestparishyork.net Pastor Eric Dupee, eric@firstparishyork.net

Creation Care Green Tip: EV trucks are coming to our area. Entry level pickup truck with 230 mile range at a price right around the Tesla Model 3. Standard Range will be available in this area in 2022. It can provide 9.6 kw of backup power to help power your home or appliances in the event of a blackout or high grid electricity prices. This is a first for the market! The company had 44,500+ reservations in under 48 hours. A compact pickup truck is also coming onto the market. Some car dealerships offer an EV for a loaner car now. Check it out!!

Several auto companies have decided to become all electric by 2030. If you have a chance to attend an “EV Fair” near you, seriously consider it. Great way to learn about your next vehicle, perhaps! www.CleanTechnica.com



Ministers

All the Members of the Congregation

Leading Worship Today:

Pastor Eric Dupee

Staff

Wendell S. Purrington, Director of Music Ministries

Terrie Ilaria, Music Associate

First Parish Church Lay Leaders

Jan Jonas, Moderator

John Covino, Vice Moderator

Ray Hamlin, Treasurer

Susan Mancinelli, Clerk