

**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. You're invited to enjoy refreshments at "coffee hour" in Fellowship Hall immediately following worship. Your hosts this week are Fellowship in Action. 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.

**Sunday School:** All youth ages 4 through 7<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome to attend Sunday School. After the Children's Message, youth meet up with their teachers in the church foyer. Together, students and teachers make their way to the Fellowship Hall classrooms. After worship, parents are asked to sign out and pick up children in their classrooms. Guests are welcome to attend Sunday School and 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 youth make their way over.

**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, SEPTEMBER 29, 2019 ~ 9:30AM WORSHIP**

*\* Please stand if you are able*

**PRELUDE** Two Hymn Settings John Carter (b. 1930)  
“SPIRIT SONG”  
“HOW GREAT THOU ART”

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

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** Mission Moment

**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

Come into this house of worship as beloved children of God.

**We shift our attention to God, our Creator and Sustainer.**

Here, we speak of God's love and light.

**We will be attentive so that we may be inspired!**

**\*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** “GOD, WHOSE GIVING KNOWS NO ENDING” No. 572

**GATHERING PRAYER** *(unison)* Rev. Estelle Margarones  
Loving God, you have given us the precious and priceless gift of life. You see our inherent worth and value a relationship with us. We are blessed indeed! May we lean ever closer toward you so that we may continue learning from you. May our relationship with you inspire us to spend time and effort on others and in doing so, may we make your love manifest in the world. 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.**

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

Pastor Dan Hollis

**ANTHEM** “BLESSED BE YOUR NAME” Arr., Mary MacDonald  
*Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful, where your streams of abundance flow.  
Blessed be Your name when I’m found in the desert place,  
though I walk through the wilderness.  
You give and take away.  
My heart will choose to say: “Lord, blessed be Your glorious name.”*  
**First Parish Sanctuary Choir**

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**SCRIPTURE** 1 Timothy 6:6-19 N.T. page 186 Susan Saxton

**SERMON** Rev. Estelle Margarones

**HYMN** “STEP BY STEP” No. 494

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS** “POOR MAN LAZARUS” Arr., Jester Hairston (1901-2000)  
*Poor man, Laz’rus, sick and disabled. He had to eat crumbs from the rich man’s table.  
Rich man Divies, he live so well. And when he died he went straight to....  
Dip your finger in the water, come and cool my tongue, cause I’m tormented in the flame.*

**\*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** “LET ALL THINGS NOW LIVING” No. 22

**THE BLESSING AND THREEFOLD AMEN**

**POSTLUDE** “ALL THE EARTH REJOICE” (“AUTUMN” from *The Four Seasons*)  
Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741)

*Flowers are given in loving memory of our parents.*

## THIS WEEK

<b>Today, Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup></b>	9:30am Worship/Mission Moment 11am Men's Ensemble Rehearsal 5pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
<b>Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup></b>	8am Zumba
<b>Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup></b>	8:30am Yoga 5-7pm Table of Plenty
<b>Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	8:30am Zumba 9am Women's Bible Study 5:30pm Mission Committee Meeting
<b>Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	8:30am Aerobics 9am Buildings & Grounds Committee Meeting 6pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal 7pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
<b>Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup></b>	8:30am Aerobics
<b>Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup></b>	8:30am Christian Education Committee Meeting
<b>Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup></b>	8:30am Hospitality Committee Meeting 9:30am Worship/Communion 11am Men's Ensemble Rehearsal 5pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal



### **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**

**Pumpkin Patch:** The pumpkins are here! The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Pumpkin Patch will be open rain or shine, 7 days a week from 11am-6pm, for four weeks or until the pumpkins are sold. Any and all volunteers will be gratefully accepted. Sign Up <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D49ACAF23A6F85-fpcpumpkin> or call the Parish Office for assistance.

**Village Faire:** Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> 9am-4pm. Volunteers are needed to bake, work tables, set up and more! Please sign up at the opportunity table in Fellowship Hall.

**Save the Date:** Sunday, October 6 for a Land Information Session after worship  
October 6, Sunday - Land Info Session 10:30 AM  
October 12, Saturday - Village Faire 9:00 AM-4:00 PM  
October 16, Wednesday - Book Group 11:00 AM  
October 20, Sunday - New Member Sunday 9:30 AM

**Weekly Creation Care Tip:** Use less paper and recycle more. The third largest industrial emitter of global warming pollution is the pulp and paper industry. Recycling paper reduces emissions of greenhouse gases in 3 important ways: 1. prevents methane emissions from landfills; 2. leaves more trees standing so they can absorb more CO2 and 3. requires less energy than manufacturing new paper. Source: Paper Recycling Coalition (<https://bit.ly/2MiAimD>)