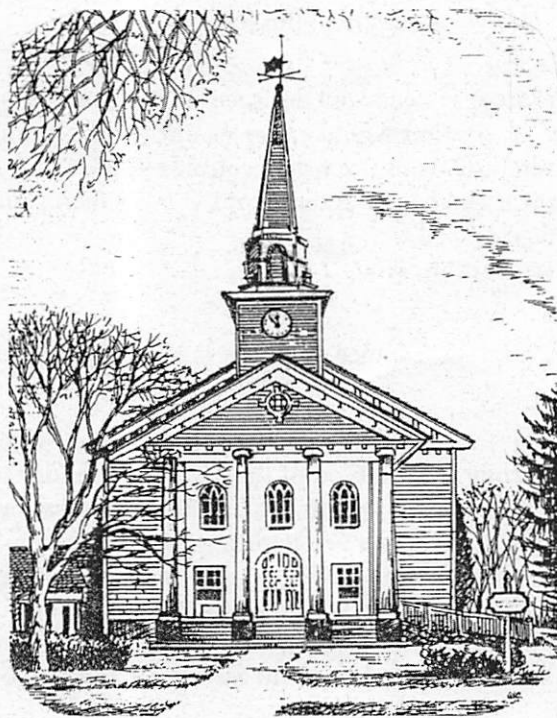


First Presbyterian Church of East Hampton
The Old Town Church
founded in 1648



August 27th, 2017

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 27th, 2017

21st Sunday of Ordinary Time

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Chimes

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Welcome and Parish Concerns

Prelude

“Beautiul Savior”

Arr. James L. Klein

*Call to Worship (*Psalm Exodus 1-2*)

Leader: Amidst the forces of death and destruction, it takes a village to save us.

People: Amidst the rivers that would carry us out to sea, it takes people of real courage to pull us from the water courses of life.

Leader: Amidst the fear and hatred in our world, it takes mercy and compassion to reveal the face of God.

People: Come, let us worship God.

*Opening Prayer

* Hymn #155

“Rejoice, the Lord Is King”

John Darwall

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

We look for you in all the wrong places, God of the lost, and wonder why we cannot find you. We wander the corridors of power, while you are on the sidewalks, beside the homeless. We sit at the head tables of the world, while you are handing out soup to the hungry at the kitchen's backdoor. We applaud those who win the race, while you are cheering on those in last place. In forgiving us, you transform our cold hearts into those melted in service to others. In granting us mercy, you challenge us to think of all those we have ignored. In gifting us with grace, you enable us to proclaim Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, as the hope, the joy, the peace the world seeks. Amen.

Silent Confession

Kyrie (*Hymn 572*)

“Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us”

Merbecke

Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: It is so easy to think like the world, that money will give us happiness, that power will earn us grace. But Paul reminds us that if we think like Christ, and live for others, we will find true freedom.

People: Not only our minds, but may God transform our hearts and spirits into the likeness of Christ, so we may be faithful disciples. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.

Passing of the Peace

**denotes stand as you are able...*

*Gloria (Hymn 579)

“Glory Be to the Father”

Henry W. Greatorex

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Old Testament: Exodus 1:8-2:10

(OT Page 49)

Psalter: Psalm 124:1-8

(OT Page 572)

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

(NT Page 18)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Small Packages

Rev. Scot McCachren

RESPONDING TO GOD WITH THANKSGIVING

* Hymn #285

“God, You Spin the Whirling Planets”

Franz Joseph Haydn

* Affirmation of Faith – Apostle's Creed (*Traditional*)

Hymnal page 14

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (*Traditional*)

Hymnal Page 16

Prayer Response

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem

“Aria”

Cynthia Dobrinski

*Doxology (Hymn 592)

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Old Hundredth

*Prayer of Dedication

Leader: Loving God, accept our gifts in your holy name. Accept our very lives, as a pledge to pursue what is good and acceptable and perfect in your sight.

People: May our gifts become for the world resources to draw the endangered from the waters of death, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GOING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn #391

“Take My Life”

H. A. César Malan

*Benediction

*Response (#586)

“Amen”

Danish

*Recessional, Taking the Light of Christ into the World

Postlude

“Con Spirito”

Thomas Arne

Participating in this morning's service: The Rev. Scot McCachren, Pastor; Jane Hastay, Musical Director; The Handbell Choir; Paul Vogel, lay reader; Jason & Mary Minard, Florence Stone and John Cataletto, ushers.

Welcome to the First Presbyterian Church of East Hampton! Whether today is your first time worshipping with us or you are part of one of our founding families, we welcome you. If you are visiting, we would appreciate your completing the "Welcome" card found in the pew rack and placing it in the offering box.

Flowers in the church this morning are to the Glory of God from the Deacon's Flower Fund. To offer flowers in memory or honor of a loved one, please contact Summer Borsack, 631-903-0778, or summerborsack@gmail.com.

"Care Notes" are available in the Narthex--please help yourself. Send a note to someone and brighten their day

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Unceasing Prayer

"...in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:6b-7)

You will find in your pew racks a "Request for Prayer" card. Please use these cards to request

- a prayer to be included in "Prayers of the People" this morning (please give to Pastor before (the service begins)
- prayers by the Pastor, Deacons &/or Elders of the church (if confidential)
- names to be included in the prayer list below
- names to be included in our EPrayer Chain

Unless otherwise requested, names on this prayer list will be included in the prayers of our congregation and pastor for the next four weeks. Requests can always be renewed.

Trusting that God knows each person and need, please hold in your prayers...

Congregation members hospitalized or shut-in:

Jean Symer

Greg Fariel

Others for whom prayer has been requested:

Edwin Geus

Jen Balnis

Paul Vogel

The family of Eleanor Dordelman

PARISH CONCERNS

LABOR DAY ON THE BEACH! Join your First Presbyterian family for an evening at Wiborg Beach on Labor Day, September 4. We'll meet there at 6:00. Bring some chairs and a packed dinner and be ready to relax.

MEMORIAL SERVICE for Eleanor Dordelman will be held graveside on Wednesday, September 13, 11:00 am, at Cedar Lawn Cemetery.

CONCERT LYRA, a cappella vocal quartet all the way from St. Petersburg, Russia, will perform a concert in the church on **Friday, September 8th** at 7:00 p.m. Suggested free will donation \$20.

DID YOU KNOW? You can access recent sermon recordings and bulletins on our website? It's perfect to use in Care & Outreach for those who are unable to attend church – or for you to catch up if you miss a Sunday! You can find them at fpceh.org/sermon.htm.

UKELELE CLASSES: The Ukelele Group meets on Tuesdays from 10:00-11:00 am in the Session House. Ukuleles are provided in class. Beginners still welcome. Contact Jane Hastay or call the office for more information.

GET WELL CARDS FOR REV. TOM SCHACHER: If you would like to send a "get-well" card for Pastor Tom and need his address, please contact Christine in the church office and she will give it to you.

IS THE DOOR LOCKED? The church doors do not always properly close on their own. If you are the last one out, please push the door closed and then try to open again to ensure that it is locked. We thank you!

FOOD PANTRY ITEM TO BRING NEXT SUNDAY: *Canned Soup*

MEN'S CLUB: John Papas Cafe: breakfast and fellowship - Tuesday mornings at 7:30 am.

RALLY DAY KICKS OFF THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR ON SEPTEMBER 10TH!

Plan to join us for an all-church picnic with games and activities for every age! As we prepare for the new school year, **please volunteer to teach Sunday School** for a one-month session. A sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board in the Narthex

CALENDAR

This Week: *(Italics indicate non-church event)*

Sunday, August 27th

10:00 am Worship w/handbells and Sunday School

Monday, August 28th *Office Closed*

12:30 pm *Al-Anon, Session House*

Tuesday, August 29th

7:30 am Men's Club at John Papas Café

9:30 am Membership meeting

10:00 pm Ukelele lessons, Session House

Thursday, August 31st

12:00 pm Brown Bag Bible Study

12:30 pm *Al-Anon, Session House*

5:30 pm *Debtor's Anonymous, Session House*

Next Week:

Sunday, September 3rd

10:00 am Worship w/communion and Sunday School

Monday, September 4th *Office Closed*

12:30 pm *Al-Anon, Session House*

Tuesday, September 5th

7:30 am Men's Club at John Papas Café

Thursday, September 7th

12:00 pm Brown Bag Bible Study

12:30 pm *Al-Anon, Session House (downstairs)*

4:30 pm Mission meeting

5:30 pm *Debtor's Anonymous, Session House*

7:00 pm Choir rehearsal