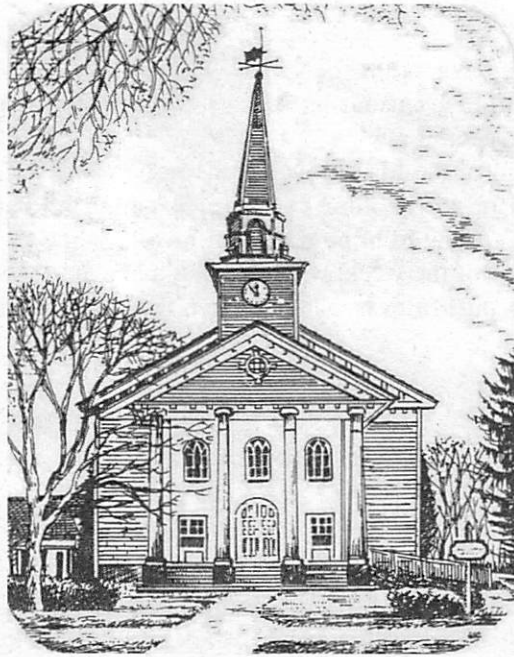


First Presbyterian Church of East Hampton
The Old Town Church
founded in 1648



January 7, 2018

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 7, 2018

The Baptism of the Lord

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Chimes

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Welcome and Parish Concerns

Prelude

“La fille aux cheveux de lin”

Debussy

*Call to Worship (*Psalm 107*)

Leader: On that first day, when time began:

People: You gave birth to creation; light danced through the darkness; the waters of hope flowed free and clear.

Leader: On that first day at the Jordan, when redemption began:

People: You spoke of life for all your children, as your Child stepped into the waters of forgiveness, dancing in hope with his cousin, John.

Leader: On this first day of the week, when we begin anew:

People: You call us to faithfulness, as we open our hearts to you, your voice claiming us as your own.

*Opening Prayer

* Hymn #267

“All Things Bright and Beautiful”

English Melody

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Timeless God, you cast Light into sin's dark places and call us your Beloved. Forgive us when we still linger in the shadows, and when we treat others in hurtful ways. As he knelt in the waters of Jordan, you proclaimed Jesus as your Child, pointing to him as the way to you. Forgive us when we put ourselves ahead of him and when we fail to see him in the broken of our world. Baptized and blessed in your living waters, you would have us be your servants. Forgive us when we fail to welcome the stranger, when we refuse to forgive, and when we believe we are too good to kneel down and tie the shoes of the lost, the least, and the little. Amen.

Silent Confession

Kyrie (*Hymn 572*)

“Lord, Have Mercy on Us”

Merbecke

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

Passing of the Peace

*Gloria (Hymn 579)

“Glory Be to the Father”

Henry W. Greatorex

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: Hear the Good News of the gospel: As a voice from heaven said to Jesus, so God says to each of us: You are my beloved child, and with you I am well pleased. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Old Testament: Genesis 1:1-5

(OT Page 1)

New Testament: Acts 19:1-7

(NT Page 139)

Gospel: Mark 1:4-11

(NT Page 34)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Who Is that Man in the Wilderness?

Rev. Scot McCachren

RESPONDING TO GOD WITH THANKSGIVING

* Hymn #72

“When Jesus Came to Jordan”

Frederik August Mehrrens

Affirmation of Faith – Second Helvetic Confession 5.185-6 (*adapted*)

Baptism was instituted and consecrated by God. First John baptized, dipping Christ in the water in Jordan. From him it came to the apostles, who also baptized with water. The Lord expressly commanded them to preach the Gospel and to baptize “in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” And in The Acts, Peter said to the Jews who inquired what they ought to do: “Be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.” There is but one baptism in the Church of God; and it is sufficient to be once baptized or consecrated unto God. For baptism once received continues for all of life, and is a perpetual sealing of our adoption.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (*Traditional*)

Hymnal page 16

Prayer Response

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem

“Come to the Table”

Allen Pote

*Doxology (Hymn 592)

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Old Hundredth

***Prayer of Dedication (unison)**

Spirit of God, you created light in the darkness at the beginning of all things. Call us now to live as children of your light, as we share the blessings of our baptism with those in need. May your voice be heard over the waters once more, that the earth may shake as we awaken from our dream of separateness and isolation. In Christ's holy name, we pray. Amen.

Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The pastor continues...

... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, hol - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, are full of your glo - ry,
Ho - san - na in the high - est. bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The pastor continues...

... Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

The pastor continues...

... Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever:



Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and Cup

(To signify our oneness in Christ, please hold the bread until everyone has been served. You may drink the cup as soon as you receive it, indicating your individual relationship with Christ.)

Communion Prayer (*unison*)

You are a good God who creates, gives birth, redeems, feeds, and encourages us to grow. Thank you for your many blessings to us. May those blessings now flow out to others in your name, we pray. Amen.

GOING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

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|---|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| *Hymn #492 | “Baptized in Water” | <i>Gaelic Melody</i> |
| *Benediction | | |
| *Response (#587) | “Amen” | <i>Danish</i> |
| *Recessional, Taking the Light of Christ into the World | | |
| Postlude | “Trumpet Tune on Festal Song” | <i>Dennis Janzer</i> |

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Participating in this morning's service: The Rev. Scot McCachren, Pastor; Jane Hastay, Musical Director; Chancel Choir; Luke Baron, soloist; Hilary Malecki, lay reader; Linda Child, Aleaze Hodgens, Hilary Malecki, Wendy Mott, Ken Brown, Josh Borsack & Lee Andrews, elders.

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 on the communion table are given to the Glory of God by the Deacons 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!

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:

The family of Jen Balnis

Paul Vogel

Bill Stowell

Ray Dee

The family of Alan Dixon

The Lind family

PARISH CONCERNS

A MEMORIAL SERVICE for Sherry Wolfe will be held in the sanctuary on Sunday, January 21st at approximately 11:30am.

VICENTE TOVAR retired from First Presbyterian at the end of 2017 after many years serving faithfully as the church sexton. At the same time, his wife Sonja concluded her service managing the cleaning for us. We would like to recognize Vicente and Sonja's years of work for the church through a **Freewill Love Offering**. If you would like to participate, you may write a check to First Presbyterian designated for The Tovars and put it in the offering box or send to the church office by **January 21**.

COMMUNITY SOUP DINNERS AT MOST HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, sponsored by the East Hampton Clericus. Soups are donated by local restaurants. The next soup dinner is on Wednesday, **January 10th at 5:00 pm**. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex for bringing homemade cookies for the dessert table. Free for all. Please join us for this monthly event.

SAVE THE DATE for our much anticipated **CABARET NIGHT/WINTER DINNER BUFFET**, Saturday, **January 13th at 6:00 pm** in the Session House, featuring all your favorite crooners and tunes. \$35 tickets on sale 12/24, 12/31 and 1/7 in the narthex. Tables reserved for groups of 6-8. Contact Hilary Malecki at osbornhilary@hotmail.com; 631-324-9737.

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR will be honored by Calvary Baptist Church (60 Spinner Lane, East Hampton) at a celebration of his legacy, **Monday, January 15, 1:00 pm**. Everyone in the community is invited to come together for this program.

FOOD PANTRY ITEM TO BRING NEXT SUNDAY: Canned Meat.

PER CAPITA FOR 2018 is 36.78

THE 2018 ENVELOPES BOXES are available for pick-up in the Narthex. **Please note that your envelope number may have changed.**

CALENDAR

This Week:

Sunday, January 7th

10:00 am Worship w/communion and Sunday School for PreK & K only

5:00 pm Youth Group Meeting

Monday, January 8th

Office Closed

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

Tuesday, January 9th

7:30 am Men's Club

1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Knitting at Mary Siska's house

4:30 pm Christian Education meeting

6:00 pm *Ramblers meeting, Session House*

Wednesday, January 10th

5:00 pm Community Soup Dinner, MHT parish hall

Thursday, January 11th

12:00 pm Brown Bag Bible Study

12:30 pm *Al-Anon*

7:00 pm Choir rehearsal

Saturday, January 13th

6:00 pm Cabaret Dinner, Session House

Next Week

Sunday, January 14th

10:00 am Worship and Sunday School for PreK & K only

Monday, January 15th

Office Closed

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

1:00 pm *Martin Luther King service at Calvary Baptist Church, EH.*

Tuesday, January 16th

7:30 am Men's Club

1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Knitting at Mary Siska's house

Thursday, January 18th

12:00 pm Brown Bag Bible Study, Session House.

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

4:00 pm Worship & Music meeting

6:00 pm Deacons meeting

7:00 pm Choir rehearsal

Saturday, January 20th

5:00 pm Youth Group lock-in

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Ruling Elders

Class of 2018

Lee Andrews

Aleaze Hodgens

Hilary Malecki**

Mary Ella Moeller**

Class of 2019

Josh Borsack

Ken Brown

Debbie Mansir

Wendy Mott

Class of 2020

John Cataletto

Linda Child*

Kristy LaMonda

Donald Smith

Elder of the Month – Linda Child

Deacons

Polly Bruckman

Jane Kiembock

Carol Kluge

Paul Vogel

David Cataletto

Joy Anne Dixon

Vicky Roarick

Summer Borsack*

Linda Brown*

Emily Mott

Angel Schade

Deacon of the Month—Jane Kiembock

*Officer is currently serving second consecutive term

**Officer is currently fulfilling a partial term