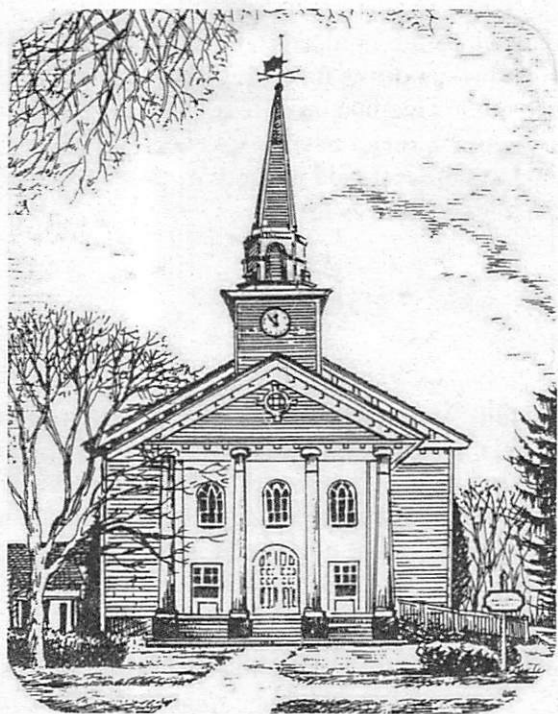


*First Presbyterian Church of East Hampton*  
*The Old Town Church*  
*founded in 1648*



*March 11, 2018*

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

### GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Chimes

Bringing in the Light of Christ

*"Oh Lord! Tune my heart wholly according to your will."*

Welcome and Parish Concerns

Prelude

\*Call to Worship (*Numbers 21, Psalm 107*)

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

People: **God's steadfast love endures forever.**

Leader: Let those redeemed by the Lord say:

People: **God's steadfast love endures forever.**

Leader: When we cried out to God in our distress,

People: **God saved us in our hour of need.**

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

People: **God's steadfast love endures forever.**

\*Opening Prayer (*John 3*)

\*Hymn #461

"God is Here!"

*Cyril Vincent Taylor*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*unison*) (*Numbers 21:4-6*)

**Merciful God, we confess the folly of our sin and the hypocrisy of our complaints. We grumble about the evils in our world, even as we commit injustices and profit through deceit. We fret about the scarcity of resources while hoarding earth's goods and cheating the poor. We protest the problems of our world, but we do not actively work to address them. Merciful God, expose our sins before the light of your grace. Heal our sin and free us from our foolish ways that we may know the joy of eternal life in Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen**

Silent Confession

Kyrie (*Hymn 513*)

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

*African-American spiritual*

*"When I fall on my knees, With my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.*

Assurance of Pardon (*John 3:17*)

Pastor: Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*\*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**

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Old Testament: Numbers 21:4-9

(OT Page 139)

Gospel: John 3:14-21

(NT Page 94)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Coming to the Light

Rev. Scot McCachren

**RESPONDING TO GOD WITH THANKSGIVING**

\*Hymn #371

“Lift High the Cross”

*Sidney Hugo Nicholson*

\*Affirmation of Faith – adapted from the Confession of 1967 (9.31)

**To be reconciled to God is to be sent into the world as God's reconciling community. This community, the church universal, is entrusted with God's message of reconciliation and shares God's labor of healing the enmities which separate people from God and from each other. Christ has called the church to this mission and given it the gift of the Holy Spirit. The church maintains continuity with the apostles and with Israel by faithful obedience to his call. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (*Traditional*)

Hymnal Page 16

Prayer Response

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem

“Into the Woods My Master Went”

*Austin C. Lovelace*

\*Doxology (Hymn 592)

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

*Old Hundredth*

\*Prayer of Dedication (*unison*)

**God of light and love, shine through our offerings this day. May they bring light to the darkness and help lead others from death into life. Transform these gifts into your glory, that they may reflect the joy of your saving grace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**GOING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME**

\*Hymn #536

“Lord, Make Us More Holy”

*African-American spiritual*

\*Benediction

\*Response (#586)

“Amen”

*Danish*

\*Recessional, Taking the Light of Christ into the World

Postlude

***Participating in this morning's service:*** The Rev. Scot McCachren, Pastor; Jane Hastay, Music Director; Chancel Choir; Avery Siska & Hunter Eberhart, lay readers; Kailey Anderson, Brighton Lys, Chase Siska, Jameson Grant, ushers.

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***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 *in celebration of the birthdays of Harriet Edwards and Mary Ella Moeller by the Lundborg family.***

To offer flowers in memory or honor of a loved one, please contact Summer Borsack, 631-903-0778, or [summerborsack@gmail.com](mailto:summerborsack@gmail.com).

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

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The Rev. Dr. Fred Schulz, Pastor Emeritus**

***Elder of the Month—Hilary Malecki  
Deacon of the Month—David Cataletto***

***This week's Care and Outreach Team – Donald Smith & Linda Miller***

## 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:**

Ellen Quackenbush	Paul Vogel
The family of Jen Balnis	Ray Dee
Bill Stowell	MaryBeth Fisher
Jessica Greene	

## PARISH CONCERNS

**HOLY WEEK:** Mark your calendars now for our Lent worship services, shared once again with our sisters and brothers at the Springs and Amagansett Presbyterian churches. **Maundy Thursday** here at FPCEH on March 29<sup>th</sup>, and **Good Friday** at Amagansett Presbyterian church on March 30<sup>th</sup>. Each of these services will begin at 7:00 pm.

**EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE**, 6:30 am, at Main Beach. After the service, enjoy a light breakfast and Easter fellowship at the First United Methodist Church of East Hampton.

**Please note: EASTER FLOWER ORDERS NEED TO BE IN BY MARCH 20<sup>th</sup>.**

**SAVE THE DATE FOR THE UPCOMING DAN ZANES CONCERT**, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 3pm. Be sure to check out his website at [danzanes.com](http://danzanes.com) **BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY!**

**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!

**RECYCLE YOUR BULLETINS AND INSERTS** in the baskets located by the narthex doors. **PLEASE** do not discard trash in these baskets! Trash cans are located in the narthex.

**THE 2018 ENVELOPES BOXES** are available for pick-up in the Narthex. **Please note that your envelope number may have changed.** The Presbytery's *per capita* charge for 2018 is \$36.78.

**FOOD PANTRY ITEM TO BRING NEXT SUNDAY: Pasta & Sauce.**

**THE CARE & OUTREACH TEAM FOR THIS WEEK:** The C&O team of the week will now appear on the back cover of each bulletin, underneath the Deacon of the Month.

## CALENDAR

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

### **Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 am Worship and Sunday School

11:00 am Handbell rehearsal

### **Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup> Office Closed**

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

*6:30 pm Choral Society of the Hamptons rehearsal*

### **Tuesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 am Men's Club

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

*6:00 pm Ramblers meeting, Session House.*

### **Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>**

5:00 pm Community Soup Dinner, Most Holy Trinity hall.

### **Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**

12:00 pm Bible Study, Session House

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

1:15 pm Book Club, Session House

4:00 pm Worship & Music meeting, Session House

6:00 pm Deacons meeting, Session House

7:00 pm Choir rehearsal

**Next Week:**

### **Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 am Worship and Sunday School

5:00 pm Youth Group, Session House

### **Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup> Office Closed**

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

*6:30 pm Choral Society of the Hamptons rehearsal*

### **Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 am Men's Club

1:00 pm Prayer Shawl knitting meeting at the **Session House**

### **Thursday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

12:00 pm Bible Study

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

7:00 pm Choir rehearsal

### **Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup>**

*10:00 am - 2:00 pm Choral Society of the Hamptons rehearsal*

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## EASTER FLOWERS

If you would like to purchase a plant "In Memory of" or "In Honor of," please complete this form and place it in the offering plate or drop it off at the church office.

You may also call in an order (631) 324-0711.

**The deadline to place an order is March 20th**

*Flowers given by:*

**Your Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone** \_\_\_\_\_

*In Memory of or In Honor of (Please circle which dedication you are choosing):  
Please clearly print the name(s) to whom you are making the dedication.*

\_\_\_\_\_

# of plants ordered \_\_\_\_\_ x \$30.00 per plant = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Payment Due

Please make your check payable to **First Presbyterian Church of East Hampton.**

On the memo line write "Deacons' Fund for Easter Flowers."

Payment is required in advance to secure your order.

### ***Please indicate:***

Easter Lilies \_\_\_\_\_ and/or Daffodil \_\_\_\_\_ and/or Tulip \_\_\_\_\_

*(yes) or (no) - I will pick up my order after the Easter Sunday worship service*

*(yes) or (no) - Please distribute my flowers, I will not be picking them up.*