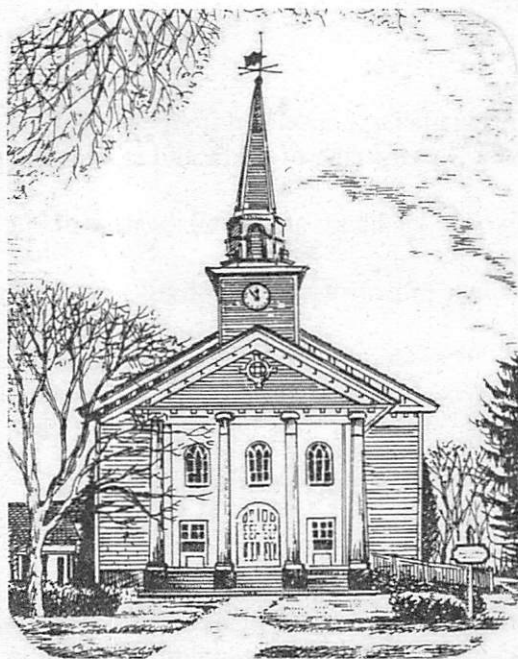


First Presbyterian Church of East Hampton
The Old Town Church
founded in 1648



October 1st, 2017

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

October 1, 2017

World Communion Sunday – 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Chimes

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Welcome and Parish Concerns

Prelude

*Call to Worship (*Psalm 150*)

Leader: We have come together to praise God from whom all blessings flow.

People: **The firmament, the covering of earth and seas, is the roof of our sanctuary.**

Leader: And so, we dwell in the house of God all the days of our lives as one people.

People: **We will sing songs of praise and give thanks for God's steadfast hope in us.**

Leader: Who today will bless God for God's surpassing greatness?

People: **Let everything that breathes worship and praise God!**

*Opening Prayer

* Hymn #446

"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

Haydn

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Jesus, we ask that you take these prayers to the heart of God. We know the ways in which sin separates us from God. We confess our shyness in claiming the sin in our lives. Today may we move past the prideful notions of our piety and look closer at what we don't do. For sometimes the greatest sin of all is our own complicity with what is wrong in the world. We want to love as you commanded, Jesus, but too often catch ourselves justifying the injustice of hunger, poverty, war, and all the prejudices we didn't know we had. Forgive us so that we may catch ourselves righting our wrongs. Forgive us so that the lessons we learn at the Spirit's nudging may help bring the peace and love you seek in our families, the church, and the world. Amen.

Silent Confession

Kyrie (*Hymn 572*)

"Lord, Have Mercy on Us"

Merbecke

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

Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: Christ is our peace and reconciles us to God. In our confessions, we are promised God's mercy and are assured that God's grace will follow us all the days of our lives. What wondrous love is this?

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

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: Exodus 17:1-7 (OT Page 64)

Gospel: Matthew 21:23-32 (NT Page 23)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Life with God at the Foot of the Mountain

Rev. Scot McCachren

RESPONDING TO GOD WITH THANKSGIVING

* Hymn #552

"Give Thanks, O Christian People"

Memmingen

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

*Doxology (Hymn 592)

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Old Hundredth

*Prayer of Dedication (*unison*)

Generous God, thank you for showering us with your abundance and your love. Bless the gifts we bring before you now, that they may shower others with your abundance and your love. In your generous love, we pray. Amen.

Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The pastor continues...

...And that is good. We come together at this table to remember this sacrament.

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...

... With the ancestors, on this World Communion Sunday your people cry out:



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...

...Hear us as we now declare the mystery that is our 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:



A - men, a - men, a - men.

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*)

Holy Triune God, we thank you for this meal that proclaims the peace and healing of the nations. We thank you for this meal where a little is enough to change our lives; where a little is more than enough to feed those whose hearts yearn for communion in community. May this bread and fruit of the vine nourish us so that we may grow in the faith and knowledge that in you, we are one. Amen.

GOING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn #142

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

Holden

*Benediction

*Response (#587)

"Amen"

Danish

*Recessional, Taking the Light of Christ into the World

Postlude

Elements of worship include selections used with permission from the following:

World Communion Sunday Liturgies by PC(USA) at

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/resource/2017-peace-global-witness-worship-resources/>

Participating in this morning's service: The Rev. Scot McCachren, Pastor; Jane Hastay, Musical Director; Debbie Mansir, lay reader; Aleaze Hodgens, Hilary Malecki, Ann Roberts, Ken Brown & Josh Borsack, 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 have been provided by the Deacons to the glory of God. 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

Sherry Wolfe

Others for whom prayer has been requested:

Edwin Geus

The family of Jen Balnis

Paul Vogel

The family of Eleanor Dordelman

Eleanor Strelman

Ray Dee

Dr. Neil Dash

The family of Barbara Jordan

Bill Stowell

PARISH CONCERNS

A COMMUNITY DINNER to celebrate Matthew Lester's life will be held **this afternoon** from 1-4 pm at the East Hampton Historical Farm Museum. The Matthew Lester Pollinator Garden will be dedicated by the Town.

YOUTH GROUP BEGINS tonight, **October 1, at 5:00 pm**, with a welcome-back potluck dessert for Jr. and Sr. Highs (grades 6-12) and their parents. Bring your own favorite sweets to share. While we're together we will also have a short organizational meeting in the Session House.

THE PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING, one of the four annual denominational offerings we support, will be *received today*. Please see insert & envelope.

FOOD PANTRY ITEM TO BRING NEXT SUNDAY: Rice & Beans.

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

DID YOU KNOW? You can access recent sermon recordings, bulletins and the newsletter 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 fpech.org/sermon.htm.

STILL LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS to teach Sunday School in the month of December. Please sign up in the Narthex.

THERE'S A GROUP BEING FORMED to go into NY on Saturday, October 28th for a 2 pm performance of "Shadowlands", a powerful Tony-nominated play that tells the true story of C.S. Lewis's life of love, loss, and faith. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex and/or see Carolyn Preische or Barbara Borsack. Ticket price only \$41.25/bus price t.b.d. To hold this price, we need to confirm the number of tickets as soon as possible.

CALENDAR

This Week:

Sunday, October 1st

10:00 am Worship w/communion and Sunday School

5:00 pm Youth Group Meeting with parents

Monday, October 2nd

Office Closed

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

Tuesday, October 3rd

7:30 am Men's Club at John Papas Café

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

Wednesday, October 4th

Hamptons International Film Festival Load-In (aprox 6pm)

HIFF will be in the Session House until October 8th

Thursday, October 5th

9:00 am *HIFF(load-in) 12noon-6pm (Open to Public)*

12:30 pm *Al-Anon (meeting in sanctuary)*

5:00 pm Mission meeting (meeting in sanctuary/TBD)

7:00 pm Choir rehearsal

Friday, October 6th

10:00 am – 7:00 pm *HIFF, Session House*

Next Week

Sunday, October 8th

10:00 am Worship/Baptism and Sunday School

12Noon-6:00 pm *HIFF, Session House (open to Public) Load-Out*

Monday, October 9th

Office Closed

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

2:00-5:00 pm *LVIS meeting, Session House*

Tuesday, October 10th

7:30 am Men's Club at John Papas Café

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

4:00 pm Christian Education meeting

6-9 pm *Ramblers meeting, Session House*

Thursday, October 12th

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

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

7:00 pm Choir rehearsal

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Ruling Elders

Class of 2017

Linda Child
Peter Cooper *
Lori Dalene *
Alice Wood *

Class of 2018

Lee Andrews
Bruce Bluedorn
Aleaze Hodgens
Ann Roberts *

Class of 2019

Josh Borsack
Ken Brown
Debbie Mansir
Wendy Mott

Elder of the Month – Bruce Bluedorn

Deacons

Jennifer Anderson
Summer Borsack
Linda Brown
Regina Foley

Polly Bruckman
Jane Kiembock
Carol Kluge
Paul Vogel

David Cataletto
Zanetta Classens *
Joy Anne Dixon
Vicky Roarick

Deacon of the Month—David Cataletto

*Officer is currently serving second consecutive term