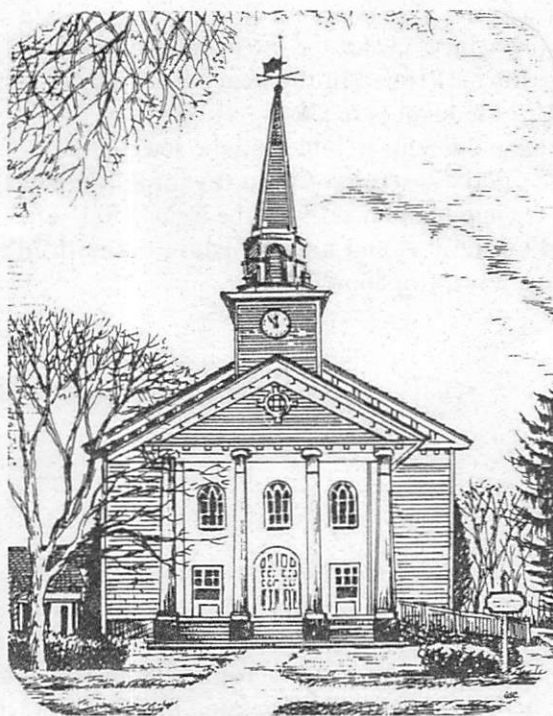


First Presbyterian Church of East Hampton
The Old Town Church
founded in 1648



October 22nd, 2017

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

October 22nd, 2017

29th Sunday of Ordinary Time

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Chimes

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Welcome and Parish Concerns

Prelude

*Call to Worship (*Exodus 33, Psalm 99, Matthew 22*)

Leader: Let the nations quake and the peoples tremble.

People: **God sits enthroned in the heavens, bringing justice and righteousness to all.**

Leader: Let the mountains tremble and the seas roar.

People: **God's glory is stronger than the foundation of the earth.**

Leader: Let the humble of heart seek the living God.

People: **God's goodness and mercy sustain the faithful in times of trial.**

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord.

*Opening Prayer

*Hymn #420

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

John Hughes

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Great Lover of Justice, hear our prayers: called to treat all people equally, we take sides and pick favorites; chosen to be your children, we arrogantly assume others are not so honored; challenged to be examples of faith, we reveal our worst natures to our families and friends. Forgive us, Loving God, enable us to stop putting you to the test, so we can open our hypocritical hearts to your healing touch of compassion and hope. As Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, has given all for us, may we give ourselves to you – confidently, completely, faithfully. Amen.

Silent Confession

Kyrie (*Hymn 572*)

"Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us"

Merbecke

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

Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: Hear the good news! The One who created goodness and beauty is also the One who shows no partiality, but offers grace and peace to all.

People: God has heard our prayers and done the very thing we asked – forgiven us, healed us, restored us. Thanks be to God. Amen.

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 33:12-23 (OT Page 79)
Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22 (NT Page 24)
Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

The Upside Down

Rev. Scot McCachren

RESPONDING TO GOD WITH THANKSGIVING

*Hymn 428

“We Give Thee but Thine Own”

Cantica Laudis

Minute for Mission

Cuba Partnership

Barbara D'Andrea

*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

“Peace”

Horace Silver

*Doxology (Hymn 592) “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Old Hundredth

*Prayer of Dedication (*unison*)

We trust you, Lord God, to multiply the blessings these gifts represent, as we pour out your love and grace on those who long to hear your word to them, to see your power at work within them, and to feel your comfort beside them, through the generous gifts of your Spirit. Amen.

GOING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

- *Hymn #372 "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" *African-American Spiritual*
- *Benediction
- *Response (#587) "Amen" *African-American*
- *Recessional, Taking the Light of Christ into the World
- Postlude
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Participating in this morning's service: The Rev. Scot McCachren, Pastor; Jane Hastay, Music Director; Chancel Choir; Kristy LaMonda, lay reader; Michelle Grant, Victoria Roarick, Marcia Schenck and Paul Vogel, 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 on the communion table and pedestal are given in memory and celebration of the life of Anne Theodore Bluedorn, loving wife and mother, by Bruce, Alex and Scott.

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 to brighten the day.

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Elder of the Month—Bruce Bluedorn

Deacon of the Month—David Cataletto

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 Streelman Ray Dee
Dr. Neil Dash The family of Barbara Jordan
Bill Stowell

PARISH CONCERNS

CONCERT TODAY at 4:00 pm, Steve Washington will perform a tribute to great male vocalists with "Nat King Cole and Friends." Joining him will be Peter Martin Weiss, bass, Baron Lewis, trumpet, John Cataletto, drums and Jane Hastay, piano. In the Session House. Tickets: \$20, available at artofsong.org

CONFIRMATION CLASS is being offered for anyone in grades 8-12. If you would like to register your child, or yourself, please sign up with Pastor Scot by November 1.

FAMILY GAME NIGHT is on Friday, October 27th at 7pm in the Session House. Please bring your favorite board games to share with others.

CHOIR CALL: Now is a great time to join the Chancel or Handbell Choirs; we're rehearsing beautiful selections to fill our sanctuary with joyous Christmas music. If interested, please talk to Jane Hastay.

COMMUNITY SOUP DINNERS AT MOST HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, sponsored by the East Hampton Clericus. Soups are donated by local restaurants The first soup dinner is on Wednesday, November 8th. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex for bringing homemade cookies for the dessert table. This is a free event. Please join us for this monthly event.

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES: The Mission Committee is assembling College Care Packages to be sent to our students pursuing their education. Please let the church office or Debbie Mansir know by October 31st of any students who are away at school. We would like to send the packages out before Thanksgiving.

FOOD PANTRY ITEM TO BRING NEXT SUNDAY: Canned Fruits and Veggies

CALENDAR

Nursery School in Session House (Monday/Wednesday/Fridays 9am-11am)

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

Sunday, October 22nd

10:00 am Worship

11:00 am Handbell rehearsal

4:00 pm **Art of Song Concert, Steve Washington, Session House**

Monday, October 23rd *Office Closed*

12:30 pm Al-Anon, Session House

Tuesday, October 24th

7:30 am Men's Club at John Papas Café

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

Wednesday, October 25th

7:00 pm Session Meeting, Session House

Thursday, October 26th

12:00 pm Brown Bag Bible Study

12:30 pm Al-Anon, Session House

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, October 27th

7:00 pm Family Game Night, Session House

Next Week:

Sunday, October 29th

10:00 am Worship and Sunday School

11:00 am Handbell rehearsal

5:00 pm Youth Group

Monday, October 30th *Office Closed*

12:30 pm Al-Anon, Session House

Tuesday, October 31st

7:30 am Men's Club at John Papas Café

9:30 am Membership meeting

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

Thursday, November 2nd

12:00 pm Bible Study

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

7:00 pm Choir rehearsal