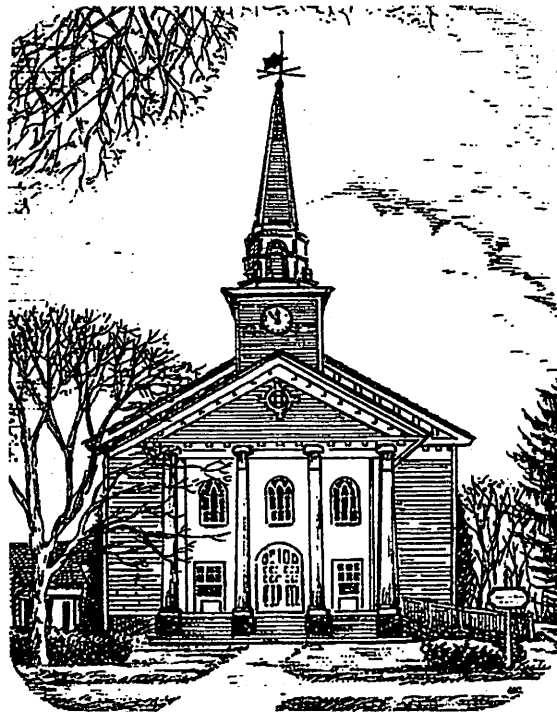


*First Presbyterian Church of East Hampton
The Old Town Church
founded in 1648*



January 15th, 2017

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 15th, 2017

2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Chimes

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Welcome and Parish Concerns

Prelude

"Choral"

Schumann

* Call to Worship (from Psalm 40)

Pastor: Happy are those who place their trust in God, who sing God's praise with a new song.

People: God's wondrous deeds are many and great. Their number is greater than the stars in the sky.

Pastor: Happy are those who wait patiently for God, who cry out to God with their whole heart.

People: For God hears our pleas and listens to our requests.

Pastor: God is steadfast and faithful.

People: Let us worship the One for whom we wait.

*Hymn 370

"Just As I am, Without One Plea"

Bradbury

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Shaped, formed, born to be servants, Faithful One, we spend so much time focused on ourselves. Called to be saints, we deeply despise those with whom we disagree. Challenged to testify about the good news, we keep silent, hoarding stories of joy and hope for ourselves. Forgive us, Merciful Lamb. Give us open ears, that we might hear your words of pardon; give us open eyes, that we might see those you would have us serve; give us open hearts, that we might welcome the One who takes away our sins, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Silent Confession

Kyrie (Hymn 572)

"Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us"

Merbecke

Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: Listen! Before you were born, God called you by name, claiming you as God's child. Pay attention! You are forgiven

People: We will not keep silent. We will tell, and we will sing; we will whisper, and we will shout: God is faithful! Amen.

** denotes please stand as you are able*

*Passing the Peace

*Gloria (Hymn 579)

“Glory Be to the Father”

Gloria Patri

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 40:1-11 (OT Page 513)

Gospel Lesson: John 1:29-42 (NT Page 92)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Close Encounters

Rev. Scot McCachren

*Hymn 326

“Spirit of God”

Atkinson

*Affirmation of Faith – Adapted from the Confession of Belhar (*unison*)

We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ. We believe that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. We believe that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker. We believe that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells.

RESPONDING TO GOD WITH THANKSGIVING

Moment for Mission

Care and Outreach

Paul Vogel

Prayers of the People

Following each petition...

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer (*Traditional*)

Hymnal Page 16

Psalm Response

"I Waited Patiently For God"

The Iona Community

(to the tune of "Amazing Grace")

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| <p>1. <i>I waited patiently for God,
for God to hear my prayer;
and God bent down to where I sank
and listened to me there.</i></p> <p>2. <i>God raised me from a miry pit,
from mud and sinking sand,
and set my feet upon a rock
where I can firmly stand.</i></p> | <p>3. <i>And on my lips a song was put,
a new song to the Lord.
Many will marvel open-eyed
and put their trust in God.</i></p> <p>4. <i>Great wonders you have done, O Lord,
all purposed for our good.
Unable every one to name,
I bow in gratitude.</i></p> |
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Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem "Hush! Somebody's Callin' My Name" *Dennard*

*Doxology (Hymn 592) "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" *Old Hundredth*

*Prayer of Dedication

GOING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn 536 "Lord Make Us More Holy" *African American Spiritual*

*Benediction

*Response (587) "Amen" *African American*

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

Postlude "I've Got Peace Like a River" *African American Spiritual*

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Participating in this morning's service: The Rev. Scot McCachren, Pastor; Jane Hastay, Musical Director; Chancel Choir; Luke Baron, soloist; Sherry Wolfe, Lay Reader; Deacon Paul Vogel, Moment for Mission; Gayle & Fred Lester, Susan Winkler, Carolyn Preische, 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 today are offered 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!

PARISH CONCERNS

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP: Regular meeting for Grades 6 – 8, today, 5:00 – 6:30, in the Session House. Snacks will be provided.

OFFERING ENVELOPES: your 2017 Offering envelopes are available in the narthex. Please take yours home today.

NEW OFFICER TRAINING will take place on Saturday, **January 21st** at 10:00 am in the Session House.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS will occur during the worship service on Sunday, **January 22nd**.

FAMILY TOLERANCE & DIVERSITY PROGRAM: Hosted by the Jewish Center of the Hamptons, this interfaith program of dialogue and singing is in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. It will be held on **January 22nd**, 12:30 – 1:30 pm. Our Sunday School and Middle School Youth Group are preparing artwork that will be on display at the event! Pastor Scot and Jane Hastay will be participating. Please bring a non-perishable food item to donate to the local pantry.

INQUIRER'S CLASS: Join Pastor Scot after church in the Session House (the building behind the church) on **January 29th** if you are considering joining our church family. This class will give you a chance to learn more about this congregation and the Presbyterian Church (USA). You can sign up by contacting Christine at (631) 324-0711 or fpcsecy@optonline.net.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH: Bowling trip to All Star Lanes in Riverhead after church on **January 29th** for Grades 9-12. We'll stop for lunch on the way so bring about \$20 for food and bowling!

PRAYER SHAWL KNITTING – Tuesdays at 1:00 pm, Mary Siska's house. Please direct all prayer shawl needs to Nancy Andrews at 631-324-1347 or nancylee0523@yahoo.com.

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

RECYCLE MY BULLETIN, please! Baskets are located by the side exits to the Narthex.

52 CLUB REMINDER--\$1 each week (thus "52 club") supports FPCEH mission travel. Thank you!

LAUNDRY LOVE – a local on-going mission effort “to help people who are struggling financially by assisting them with doing their laundry.” See the labeled container in the Narthex. All monies are accepted, but quarters are especially helpful. Thank you! (*Deacons*)

CLOTHING FOR MAUREEN'S HAVEN--Slightly used or new season-appropriate clothes for the homeless may be placed in the labeled basket in the Narthex, or brought to the Session House during office hours (Tues.- Fri., 9:00 am - 2:00 pm).

KEEPING IN TOUCH: to care for our members and friends, please notify the church office (631) 324-0711 if you (or a family member) are hospitalized.

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

Catherine Verhaegen

Don Halsey

Others for whom prayer has been requested:

Lee Andrews

Virginia Backlund

Elizabeth Carol

Halvorsen Family

Shane Hamley

David King

Tricia Olszewski

John "Kenny" Wessberg III

The Rev. Alan Widerquist

CALENDAR

(Italics indicate non-church event)

This Week:

9:00 – 11:00 am *Session House Preschool (M-W-F)*

Sunday, January 15th

10:00 am Worship

Sunday School for PreK through grade 5

5:00 pm Middle School Youth Group (Snacks provided)

Monday, January 16th

Office Closed

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

Tuesday, January 17th

7:30 am Men's Club at John Papas Café

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

Thursday, January 19th

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

4:00 pm Worship & Music

6:00 pm Deacons Meeting

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, January 21st

10:00 am New officer training, Session House

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Installation and Ordination of new officers. (during service)

5:00 pm Middle School Youth Group

Monday, January 23rd

Office Closed

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

Tuesday, January 24th

7:30 am Men's Club at John Papas Café

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

Wednesday, January 25th

7:00 pm Session Meeting, Session House

Thursday, January 26th

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

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, January 28th

8:30 am Long Island Presbytery Meeting. The Presbyterian Church of Garden City

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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—Ann Roberts

Deacons

Jennifer Anderson
Josh Borsack
Linda Brown
Regina Foley

Polly Bruckman
Jane Kiembock
Carol Kluge
Paul Vogel

David Cataletto
Zanetta Classens *
Joy Ann Dixon
Vicky Roarick

Deacon of the Month—Paul Vogel

* Officer is currently serving second consecutive term

**Would you like to be a part of
our
CARE & OUTREACH team?**

The Care and Outreach Ministry is an extension of the Deacon's ministry and is coordinated by them.

At present there are over 65 congregation members who work on rotating teams of three.

Working with the Pastor and Deacons the Care & Outreach Teams provide for needs that may arise. These may include meals, transportation, visits, errands or other assistance.

As most of you know, teams of two are assigned to one or two weeks a year to be on duty. Responsibilities are varied during different weeks depending on the need(s), and the work is spread out amongst the various team members. The Deacon of the Month is also part of each team.

If you are not already participating on a team, won't you prayerfully consider how you might be able to take part in this important ministry? Please fill out the form provided below and place in the offering plate or turn it into the office.

*Paul Vogel 631-329-3106 or mail@vogelbindery.com
or via the church office at 631-324-0711 or spcsecy@optonline.net*

Yes, I am interested in being on a Care and Outreach team.
I would be willing to participate occasionally
in the following way(s):

Providing a meal for a family _____

Transportation _____

Other (please specify) _____

NAME _____

PHONE(contact info) _____

**Are you considering making
the First Presbyterian Church of East
Hampton your official church home?**

Pastor Scot will lead an Inquirer's Class after church on **January 29** to give you a chance to ask questions and to learn more about the congregation and our denomination, the Presbyterian Church (USA).

After the class, you'll have all the information you need to join the church if you decide you want to. You can sign up by contacting Christine at (631) 324-0711 or fpcsecy@optonline.net, but you are still welcome to come even if you do not sign up.

