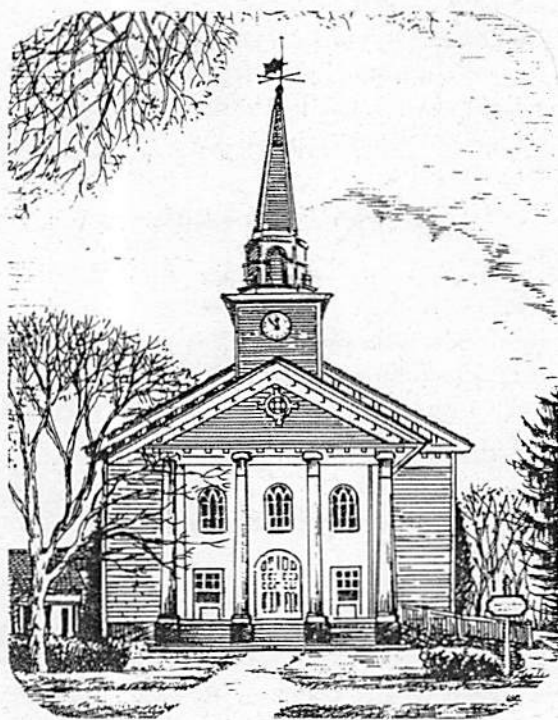


*First Presbyterian Church of East Hampton
The Old Town Church
founded in 1648*



March 12th, 2017

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

March 12th, 2017

Second Sunday of Lent

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Chimes

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Welcome and Parish Concerns

Prelude

"Toccata in G"

Pachelbel

*Call to Worship

People: Is not this the fast I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice;

Pastor: to share your bread with the hungry;

People: to bring the homeless poor into your house;

Pastor: when you see the naked to clothe them?

People: Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,

Pastor: and your healing shall spring up quickly.

*Opening Prayer

*Hymn #422

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

The Sacred Harp

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

God of our forebears, as your chosen servant Abraham was given faith to obey your call and go out into the unknown, so may your church be granted such faith that we may follow you with courage for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Silent Confession

Kyrie (Hymn 572)

"Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us"

Merbecke

Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: On mountaintops and in the valleys, in our homes and in our hearts, God knows us better than we know ourselves, and God forgives us when we cannot forgive ourselves.

People: By God's mercy, we are forgiven. By God's mercy, we are made whole. By God's mercy, we are equipped to serve others. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Passing the Peace

*Gloria (Hymn 579)

"Glory Be to the Father"

Gloria Patri

Children's Message

** denotes please stand as you are able*

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading

New Testament Lesson: Romans 8:26-39 (NT Page 158)

Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 121 (NT Page 571)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Susan Case Cardone

*Hymn #335

"Though I May Speak"

English Folk Melody

*Affirmation of Faith

"A New Creed"

United Church in Canada

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

RESPONDING TO GOD WITH THANKSGIVING

Prayers of the People

Following each petition...

Pastor: God of light,

People: Hear our prayer

The Lord's Prayer (*Traditional*)

Hymnal Page 16

Response: Psalm 121 (*All sing*)



From the Lord comes all my aid, who the heavens and earth has made.

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Hymn

"Bow Down Low"

Shaker Song

*Doxology (Hymn 592)

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Old Hundredth

*Prayer of Dedication (*unison*)

We have not kept these treasures stored in the mountaintops of our fears of how others might use them, but pour them out so they might be used to transform all those who find themselves in the valleys of hunger, of loss, of loneliness, and of injustice. We ask that they be accepted and blessed in the name of your Beloved. Amen

GOING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn #439	"In Christ There Is No East or West"	<i>African American Spiritual</i>
*Benediction		
*Response (#585)	"Amen"	<i>African American</i>
*Recessional, Taking the Light of Christ into the World		
Postlude	"Ein feste Burg"	<i>Johann Cristoph Bach</i>

Participating in this morning's service: The Rev. Susan Case Cardone, Guest Pastor; Jane Hastay, Musical Director; Chancel Choir; Jane Kiembock, Lay Reader; Hilary Malecki, Shirley Wornstaff, John & David Cataletto, 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 in loving memory of my husband, Dick Peele, given by his wife, Harriet Peele. 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

TICKETS FOR THE HAM DINNER WILL BE ON SALE IN THE NARTHEX after church today and next Sunday. Our Ham dinner will be on March 25th, Saturday from 5pm to 7pm. Adults \$15, Children under 5 are Free, Children under 12 are \$10.

BROWN BAG THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY: We will resume Thursday Bible Studies on March 16th, 12:00 noon in the Session House. Bring a lunch and study the Gospel of John with us

PILGRIMAGE TO MONTAUK PRAYER LABYRINTH will be Saturday, March 18, 9:00 am, meet at First Presbyterian parking lot to arrange carpools, or meet us at the Labyrinth at 9:45, in the parking lot at the end of Navy Road, at Edward V. Ecker, Sr. County Park. Pastor Scot will lead this meditative experience.

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL: We have a supply of our recommended Lenten devotional, *A Way Other Than Our Own*, by Walter Brueggemann, available in the narthex for the next several Sundays and in the church office the rest of the week. The suggested donation for the book is \$10. It is also available online at the PC(USA) Store and Amazon.

SIGN UPS FOR JR. CHOIR: Let's have youth choir for our Easter Sunday celebration! We will meet once a week starting in March for 5-6 weeks. There was a sign-up sheet in the February newsletter and you will also find some in the narthex this morning. Contact Jane Hastay for more information, 631-332-2550.

FOOD PANTRY THIS WEEK: Canned Soups.

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.

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*)

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
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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:

Catherine Verhaegen

Sherry Wolfe

Jean Symer

Greg Fariel

Others for whom prayer has been requested:

Family of Matthew Lester

Family of Don Halsey

Virginia Backlund

Elizabeth Carol

Family of David King

The Rev. Alan Widerquist

Tricia Olszewski

John "Kenny" Wessberg III

CALENDAR

(Italics indicate non-church event)

This Week:

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

Sunday, March 12th

10:00 am Worship, Sunday School for PreK through grade 5.

Monday, March 13th

Office Closed

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

7:30 pm *Choral Society of the Hamptons rehearsal*

Tuesday, March 14th

7:30 am Men's Club at John Papas Café

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

Thursday, March 16th

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

12:00pm **Brown Bag Bible Study**

4:00 pm Worship & Music

6:00 pm Deacons Meeting

7:00 pm Choir rehearsal

Saturday, March 18th

9:00 am Meeting in church parking lot to carpool to the Montauk Prayer Labyrinth

Next Week:

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

Sunday, March 19th

10:00 am Worship, Communion Sunday, School for PreK through grade 5
Accepting New Members

5:00 pm Middle School Youth Group

Monday, March 20th

Office Closed

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

7:30 pm *Choral Society of the Hamptons rehearsal*

Tuesday, March 21st

7:30 am Men's Club at John Papas Café

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

Thursday, March 23rd

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

12:00pm **Brown Bag Bible Study**

7:00 pm Choir rehearsal

Saturday, March 25th

1-4pm Choral Society Dress Rehearsal, Sanctuary with concert on Sunday at 5pm.

5:00 pm **Ham Dinner, Meeting House.**

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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—Lori Dalene

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—Jenn Anderson

*Officer is currently serving second consecutive term