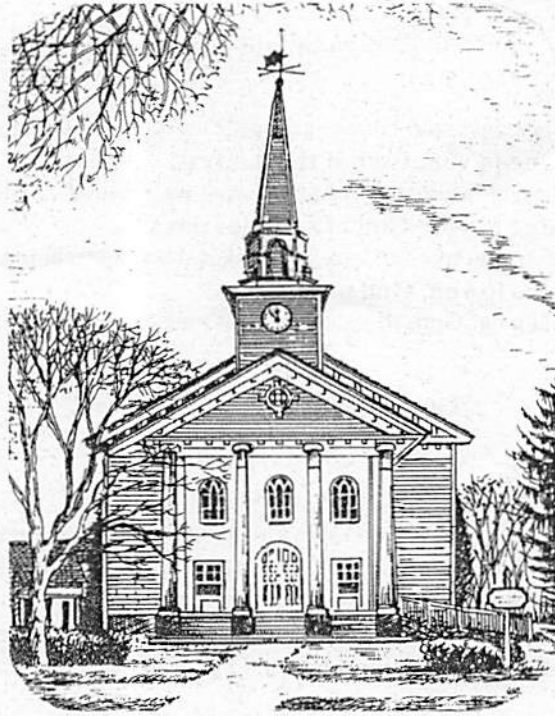


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First Presbyterian Church of East Hampton
The Old Town Church
founded in 1648



July 16th, 2017

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

July 16th, 2017

15th Sunday of Ordinary Time

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Chimes

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Welcome and Parish Concerns

Prelude

"Con Spirito"

Thomas Arne

*Call to Worship

Leader: Fresh corn dripping with butter, juicy peaches topping our cereal:

People: Praise is due to you, God of the harvest!

Leader: Children chasing fireflies in evening's shadows, families picnicking in the backyard:

People: Praise is due to you, God of summer days!

Leader: Mothers tightening training wheels on bikes, fathers teaching kids to bait a hook

People: Praise is due to you, God of our lives!

Leader: Let us worship our God, who deserves our praise!

*Opening Prayer

* Hymn #324

"Open My Eyes That I May See"

Clara H. Scott

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Patient and persistent God, we come, polished and presentable, to this comfortable room as if we knew what to expect, as if this were a safe and predictable place, as if we could simply observe. Holy One, forgive us our tepid expectations. In the mystery of your love, overshadow us. Plant the seeds of your gospel in each of our hearts until we bloom and spill with your passion to serve in a world that is wasting. Amen.

Silent Confession

Kyrie (*Hymn 513 refrain*)

"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

Leader: There is no condemnation for those who are in Jesus Christ.

People: The Spirit of God dwells in you.

Leader: If you hear nothing else today, hear these words: there is no condemnation.

People: In the name of Jesus, we are forgiven.

Passing of the Peace

*Gloria (Hymn 579)

"Glory Be to the Father"

Henry W. Greatorex

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

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Old Testament: Genesis 25:19-34

(OT Page 21)

Gospel: Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

(NT Page 13)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

An Abundance of Seeds

Rev. Scot McCachren

RESPONDING TO GOD WITH THANKSGIVING

* Hymn #560

"We Plow the Fields and Scatter"

Finnish Folk Melody

*Affirmation of Faith – 1 Peter 2:21-25 (*unison*)

Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (*Traditional*)

Hymnal Page 16

Prayer Response

Chancel Choir

Commissioning Travelers to Cuba

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Anthem

"You Are Mine"

arr by Mark Hayes

*Doxology (Hymn 592)

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Old Hundredth

*Prayer of Dedication (*unison*)

What we offer here today may not seem significant in a world of so much need, Caring God, but we pray they may become seeds of hope, of grace, of change, of life to all those around us. Amen

GOING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn #425

"Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining"

Cyril Vincent Taylor

*Benediction

*Response (#587)

"Amen"

African American

*Recessional, Taking the Light of Christ into the World

Postlude

"Voluntary" [Sic]

Anonymous

Participating in this morning's service: The Rev. Scot McCachren, Pastor; Jane Hastay, Musical Director; Chancel Choir; Paul Vogel, lay reader; Shirley Wornstaff, Wendy Mott, James and Susan Nicoletti, 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 are provided by the Deacon's Flower Fund and 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

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Deacon of the Month—Jane Kiembock

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PARISH CONCERNS

URGENT!!! We need teachers for Sunday School that are willing to teach one or two Sundays this summer. Please sign up in the Narthex.

MUSIC ON THE PORCH today will be provided by Job Potter, Steve Tekulsky and friends.

A FOND FAREWELL to longtime members, Peggy and Ed Sherrill, who will be leaving this month to start their new lives in sunnier climes. We will have a special coffee hour in honor of Peggy and Ed. Please join us.

GET WELL CARDS FOR REV. TOM SCHACHER: If you would like to send a "get-well" card for Tom and need his address, please contact Christine in the church office and she will give it to you.

A MEMORIAL FOR CATHERINE VERHAEGEN will be held next Sunday, at 11:30 am, directly after our service.

FOOD PANTRY ITEM TO BRING NEXT SUNDAY: *Canned Soup.*

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

UKELELE CLASSES: The Ukelele Group will meet Tuesdays from 10:00-11:00 am in the Session House. Instruments will be provided. It's not too late to join the group; it's a fun and easy instrument! Contact Jane Hastay or call the office for more information.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL raised \$1766.57 to give 355 Peruvian children clean water for a year!

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING raised \$2479.00.

PENTECOST OFFERING was \$727.00.

HEIFER INTERNATIONAL OFFERING totaled \$1751.72 this year.

CALENDAR

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

Sunday, July 16th

10:00 am Worship with Commissioning of travelers to Cuba

11:00 am Music on the Porch series; today, we have Job Potter and friends.

11:00 am Deacon's coffee hour today, with a special "bon voyage" for Peggy and Ed Sherrill.

Monday, July 17th

Jane away to Westminster Choir College until July 21st

Office Closed

12:30 pm Al-Anon, Session House

Tuesday, July 18th

7:30 am Men's Club at John Papas Café

10:00 am Ukelele lessons, Session House (spots still available)

Thursday, July 20th

12:00 pm Brown Bag Bible Study

12:30 pm Al-Anon, Session House

4:00 pm Worship & Music meeting

5:30 pm Debtor's Anonymous, Session House

Next Week:

Sunday, July 23rd

10:00 am Worship, Sunday School

11:30 am Memorial Service for Catherine Verhaegen.

Monday, July 24th

Office Closed

12:30 pm Al-Anon, Session House

Tuesday, July 25th

7:30 am Men's Club at John Papas Café

9:30 am Membership meeting

10:00 am Beginner ukulele lessons, Session House

Wednesday, July 26th

7:00 pm Session meeting, Session House

Thursday, July 27th

12:00 pm Brown Bag Bible Study

12:30 pm Al-Anon, Session House

4:00 pm Worship & Music meeting

5:30 pm Debtor's Anonymous, Session House

7:00 pm Choir rehearsal