

## Gathering in God's Name

*As we gather, quietly take time to sit and prepare your heart to worship God*

### **Prelude**

### **Welcome and Announcements**

### **\*Call to Worship**

Leader: God's glory is too much to comprehend,

People: **but we see God's face among us**

Leader: when we come together as the church.

People: **Let us witness to God's glory together!**

### **\*Opening Prayer (unison)**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

### **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

O Lord our God, we give thanks for the grace that is at work in us through the gift of our baptism – the sign of your threefold name, the communion of your faithful people, the promise of your glorious realm. By the power of your Holy Spirit, poured out upon us in baptism, let your grace and peace grow in us, until we gather at your heavenly throne to give you thanks and praise forever; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **\*Hymn #1 "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"**

*John Bacchus Dykes*

*Please be seated*

### **Call to Confession**

### **Prayer of Confession (unison)**

**God of justice and truth, you ask us to give to you the things that are yours. If we are honest, we know we hold so much back. We have promised you our obedience, but we often fulfill our own desires first. We have promised you our worship, but we give our attention to idols instead. We have promised to do your work in the world, but we put it last on the list of priorities. Have mercy on us and forgive us. Increase our generosity that we might give freely, grateful for all of the gifts you have given us.**

### **Silent Confession**

### **Assurance of Pardon**

The good news remains true: God has chosen us, forgives us, and walks beside us, helping us become imitators of Christ.

**Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Alleluia!**

### **\*Passing of the Peace**

May the Peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

### **\*Gloria (Hymn 582) "Glory to God"**

*Paul M. Vasile*

## Proclaiming God's Word

### **Children's Sermon**

### **Prayer for Illumination**

### **Scripture Readings:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** 1 Thessalonians 1: 1 -10 NT/page 203

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Matthew 22: 15 - 22 NT/page 24

**Sermon** "Sincere Deception" *The Rev. Jim Crawford*

## Responding to God with Thanksgiving

**\*Hymn #655 "What Shall I Render to the Lord"** *Hugh Wilson*

**\*Affirmation of Faith (unison)** *Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.32–33*

**The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to men and women commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences of the church's own complicity in injustice.**

**In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society and of God's victory over all wrong. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.**

### **Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (unison)**

Our shepherd satisfies our needs; in faith, let us pray to the Lord.  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, our God, we pray for the church . . . Make us steadfast in our love and service, remembering your people in our prayers and giving thanks to you in all things.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, our God, we pray for the earth . . . Let the whole earth sing a new song to you: a song of redemption, of gladness and joy; a song of thanksgiving for your saving grace.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, our God, we pray for all nations . . . In every place, anoint faithful leaders, who know your name and seek your will, who share your love of justice and peace.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, our God, we pray for this community . . . Break down the walls that divide us; bend the bars that imprison us in fear; open the doors that lead to new life.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, our God, we pray for loved ones . . . Speak healing to those who are hurting; give courage to those who are afraid; let your grace and peace be known to all. Hear the concerns that we raise up to you now from the silence of our hearts.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Loving shepherd, lead and guide us—in green pastures and by still waters, in right paths and through dark valleys, until we feast with you in glory and dwell in your house forever; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

### **Invitation to the Offering**

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God. Let us offer our lives to the Lord.

**Offertory "Hush Somebody's Callin' My Name"** *Brazeal Dennard*

### **\*Doxology (Hymn 606)**

*"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"* *Genevan Psalter*

### **\*Prayer of Dedication (unison)**

**God of the harvest, you are continually planting the seeds of your love in Our world and in our lives. As we bring our gifts to you, may they be seeds of your grace, peace, and hope, planted deeply in our community. Amen.**

**Hymn #644 "Give Thanks, O Christian People"** *Memmingen ms.*

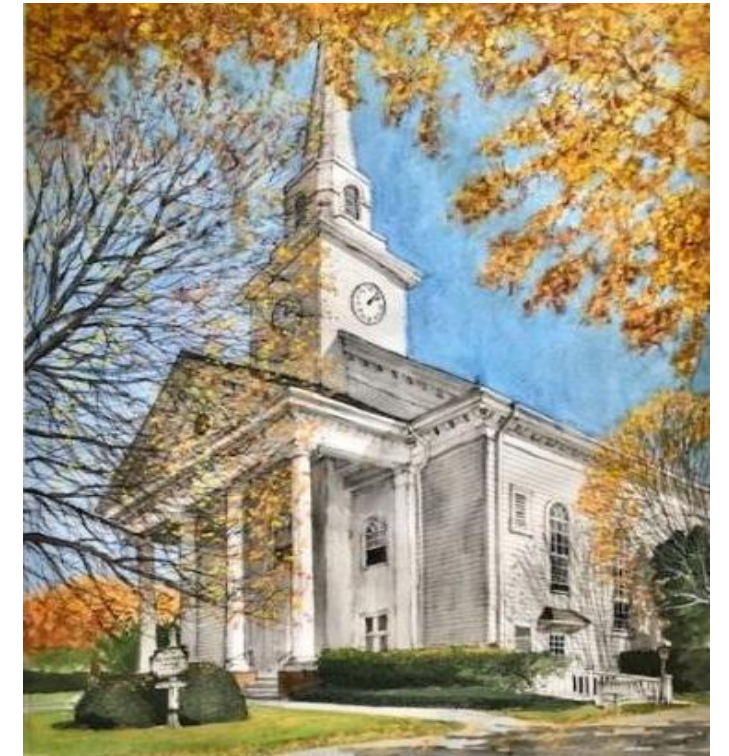
### **\*Charge, Benediction and Amen.**

*Please be seated*

### **Postlude**

*The postlude is the final act of our worship together. Please remain seated thru the postlude for a brief moment of personal reflection and inspiration.*

# Presbyterian Church of East Hampton



## Celebration of the Lord's Day

October 22, 2023 – 10:00 a.m. 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

### WELCOME

*Whether today is your first time worshipping with us or you are one of our founding families, we are glad you are here! We believe Jesus treated everyone with a spirit of love and equality. Therefore, we accept every individual without regard to age, gender, race, ethnicity, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, political affiliation, or socio-economic status. We affirm all persons as created in the image of God. At First Presbyterian Church, individuals can find family and families can find community. The injured can find healing. We labor together in love for each other, our community, our world, and our God. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcomed, you are accepted, you are loved.*

### The Reverend Jim Crawford, Guest Minister

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### Pastors Emeriti

The Rev. Dr. John Ames      The Rev. Dr. Fred Schulz



### Church Staff and Leadership

Pastor .....  
Music Director..... Jane Hastay  
Church Administrator..... June Lester  
Church Sexton..... Steve Bock  
Clerk of Session..... Mary Siska

### Session Committees

Buildings & Grounds..... Bruce Siska, Chair  
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David Filer, Linda Child, Andrea Cooper, Joan Osborne & Mary Siska  
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Clerk of Session..... Mary Siska  
Building Usage..... Jane Hastay, June Lester & Mary Siska

### CALENDAR

10/22 Sunday	10:00 am	Sunday Worship Coffee Hour to follow
	11:15 am	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
10/23 Monday:	9:00 am	Prayer Group in Session House
	12:30 pm	Al-Anon in Session House
10/24 Tuesday:	7:30 am	Breakfast Club at John Papa's
	1:00 pm	Prayer Shawl Knitting at Mary Siska's
	3:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
10/26 Thurs.:	12:30 pm	Al-Anon in Session House
	6:00 pm	Deacon's Meeting
10/29 Sunday:	10:00 am	Sunday Worship



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**Please pray for the following friends:** Liam Baum, Denise & Mike Chicca, Robert Fariel, Gordon Grant, Pat Kinzer, Dana Lester, Jane Talmage, Gene Roarick, Gus Lockwood, the family of Jim Winkler, Our Sister Church in Guines, Cuba and their pastor & his family and our pastor nominating committee.

If you would like to donate flowers for the communion table and/or pedestals in honor or in memory of a loved one please e-mail Summer Borsack at [summerborsack@gmail.com](mailto:summerborsack@gmail.com) or call the church office.

EAST HAMPTON FOOD PANTRY serves our community by collecting food and distributing it to those in need. This week's item of the week is canned fruit.

Please let the church office know if you need to park your car overnight on the church grounds.

The mission committee is requesting that you submit names of college students and military personnel to the church office so that care packages can be prepared and mailed right after Thanksgiving.



*Dig In* to Sunday School - Our youth are excited to take a trip through the

Bible this year!! If you are interested in taking this trip with them, email Alana Leland and Kim Borsack at: [fpcsecy@optonline.net](mailto:fpcsecy@optonline.net)

### Those participating in worship today:

Guest Preacher:            The Rev. Jim Crawford  
Music:                        Chancel Choir  
Elder of the Month:        Kristy LaMonda  
Deacon of the Month:      Madeleine Lockwood  
Reader:  
Ushers:

