



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

**Participating in today's service:**

**Elder of the Month:** Paul Vogel

**Deacon of the Month:** Shirley Wornstaff

**Reader:** Hilary Malecki

**Music:** Julie Bluestone, flute

**Ushers:** Lois and Victor Vecchio & Paul Vogel

**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 vegetables**.

**CALENDAR**

|                |          |                               |
|----------------|----------|-------------------------------|
| 7/16 Sunday    | 10:00 am | Sunday Worship                |
|                | 11:15 am | Handbell Choir Rehearsal      |
| 7/17 Monday:   | 9:00 am  | Prayer Group in Session House |
|                | 12:30 pm | Al-Anon in Session House      |
| 7/18 Tuesday:  | 7:30 am  | Breakfast Club at John Papa's |
| 7/20 Thursday: | 12:30 pm | Al-Anon in Session House      |
| 7/23 Sunday:   | 10:00 am | Sunday Worship                |

*(Thursday afternoon Choir practices are cancelled until after Labor Day)*

*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.*

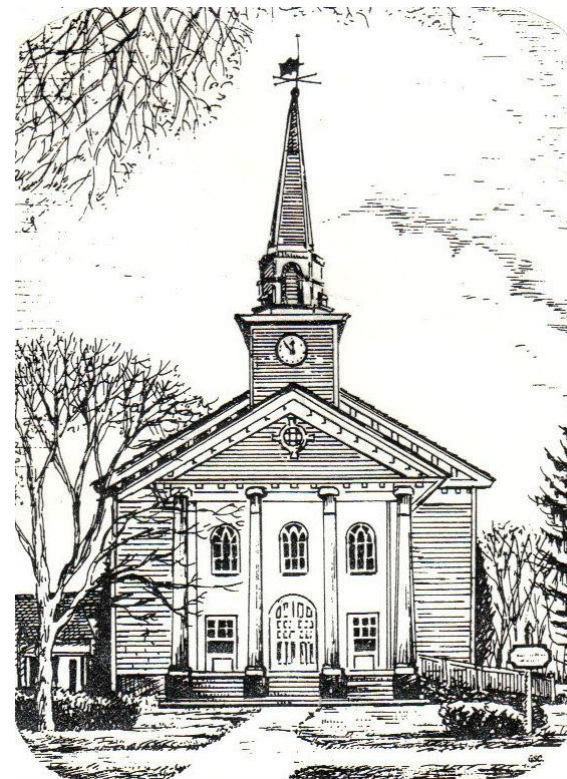
*Please let the church office know if you need to park your car overnight on the church grounds.*



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**First Presbyterian Church of East Hampton**



**Celebration of the Lord's Day**

July 16, 2023 – 10:00 a.m.

7<sup>th</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 are an open and affirming church and welcome all members of God's family in this sanctuary.*

**The Reverend Charles Cary, Guest Minister**

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**Pastors Emeriti**

The Rev. Dr. John Ames

The Rev. Dr. Fred Schulz



## Gathering in God's Name

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

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

**Voluntary** *Jane Hastay & Flutist Julie Bluestone*

### \*Call to Worship *(The Abingdon Worship Annual)*

Leader: Come in from busy, summertime days to this place of worship.

**People: We come to connect with God's word.**

Leader: Come in from the stress of everyday life into the light of knowledge.

**People: We come as seekers of truth.**

Leader: Come into worship with offerings of praise.

**People: We come to hear the word and respond!**

### \*Opening Prayer *(unison)* *(The Abingdon Worship Annual)*

**Loving God, gather us into this moment of reverence, celebration, and growth. As your sons and daughters, we long for renewed faith and meaning in our lives. Christ's Parable of the Sower lights our path, with its image of rocky ground, tangled thorns, and green shoots. May the light of your word illuminate our way and become the joy of our hearts! Amen.**

*Please be seated*

**\*Hymn #15 All Creatures of Our God and King" verses 1 -4**  
*Geistliche Kirchengesäng*

### Prayer of Confession *(unison)* *(Feasting on the Word)*

**God of Mercy: We confess that we have failed to live as your beloved sons and daughters. We have set our minds on the things of this world, and we have neglected the inheritance of love you bestow upon your saints. We have pursued selfish aims in our daily business; we have harbored uncharitable thoughts toward our enemies and friends; we have avoided difficult responsibilities to our neighbors. Forgive us, we pray. Free us from our selfish ways and strengthen us to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray.**

### Assurance of Pardon

### \*Passing of the Peace

**\*Gloria (Hymn 582)** *"Glory to God"* *Paul M. Vasile*

## Proclaiming God's Word

### Children's Sermon

**Scripture Readings:** 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Psalm 8 *OT/page 492*  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Matthew 28: 16 - 20 *NT/page 34*

**Sermon** "The Church's Source of Confidence" *The Rev. Charles Cary*

## Responding to God with Thanksgiving

**\*Hymn #407** *"Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers"* *Johann Crüger*

**\*Affirmation of Faith** **The Apostles Creed** *page 35 in hymnal*

### Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

### Invitation to the Offering *(Feasting on the Word)*

Just as your word is a light to our path, Holy One, may our offering of praise be a light to the world. In this season of fruitful gardens, help us share our bountiful harvests of our own making. Whether our offering be of our time, wealth, or prayer, receive and multiply our gifts through the glory of your love. Amen.

### Offertory

**\*Doxology (Hymn 606)** *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"* *Genevan Psalter*

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

**Lord God, thank you for the blessings you have given us year after year. Help us to wisely use the time you have given us. Lead us, while we remain here on earth, to serve you through all the people around us who are in need. Amen.**

Amen.

**\*Hymn #450** *"Be Thou My Vision"* *Irish Ballad*

### \*Charge and Benediction

*Please be seated*

### Postlude

*Please remain seated thru the postlude.*