

Sacrament of Communion

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The pastor continues... who forever sing to the glory of your name:

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in highest.

The pastor continues... Great is the mystery of faith.

People: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Communion Prayer (unison)

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

*Hymn #519

“You Are My Strength”

Dennis L. Jernigan

*Charge and Prayer

Postlude

Please remain seated thru the postlude

Prayers for the Following Friends: Liam Baum - Denise & Mike Chicca - Robert Fariel, Gordon Grant - Dana Lester - Gay Quarty - Jane Schmitz - Luca Sicuso - Jane Talmage - Jim & Susan Winkler - Joyce Walker - Kenny Eipel - Matt Herman - Kenny Luu - Nicholas Monokrousos - Jim Falacara - the Family of Bruce Edwards - Our Sister Church in Guines, Cuba, their pastor and his family, and our pastor nominating committee.

Those participating in worship today:

Music: Chancel Choir

Elder of the Month: Donald Smith

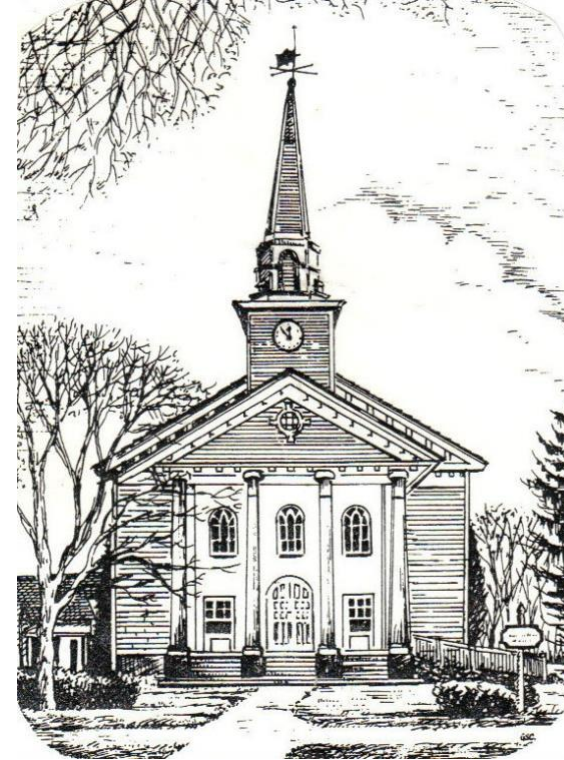
Reader: Ashley Filer

Deacon of the Month: Nancy Pearson

Ushers: David Filer, Alana Leland, Joyce Walker, Jane Kiembock and Alice Woods

Communion Servers: David Filer, Donald Smith, Mary Siska, Alana Leland, Barbara D’Andrea and Harriet Edwards

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EAST HAMPTON



Celebration of the Lord’s Day

May 7, 2023 – 10:00 a.m.

5th Sunday of Easter

WELCOME

Whether today is your first time worshipping with us or you are from one of our founding families, we are glad you are here! The First Presbyterian Church of East Hampton is an open and affirming community, always looking for new ways to embody Jesus’ call to love God and our neighbors in this community and throughout the world. We’d love for you to be part of our future, continuing Jesus Christ’s earthly ministry of building God’s Kingdom.

Guest Minister The Rev. Michael Smith

Jane Hastay, Music Director

(631) 332-2550 – musicdirector@fpceh.org

Pastors Emeriti

The Rev. Dr. John Ames

The Rev. Dr. Fred Schulz

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: Alleluia! Christ is alive; let all the people praise him.

People: Let all creation sing with joy. Alleluia!

***Opening Prayer (unison)**

Merciful God, our refuge and our strength, train our hearts on the words of your Son:

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me."

Feed our souls with your spiritual milk, and build our very lives into spiritual houses that neither famine nor storm can shake the foundation of our faith.

In the name of the master builder and the living stone, we pray. Amen.

*Hymn #475 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" *Robert Robinson*

***Prayer of Confession (unison)**

God of mercy, your command to love one another across all differences opens us to new horizons, yet we often respond with fear and judgement that hinders your goal for humanity. Forgive our sins, we pray, and give us a true repentance that leads to life for all creation. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God and place your faith in Christ. Make your petitions known and the one who is faithful will answer.

***Passing of the Peace**

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

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen World without end, without end Amen, world without end, without end Amen, world without end, without end Amen, As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

Proclaiming God's Word

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings: 1 Peter 2: 2-10 *NT page 323*
John 14: 1 - 14 *NT page 103*

Sermon "The Way to the Father" *The Rev. Mike Smith*

Responding to God with Thanksgiving

*Hymn #498 "Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken" *The Sacred Harp*

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

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

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 give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another." Let us with gladness offer to God the gifts of our labor, life, and love.

Offertory "Be With Us Now, O Lord" *Jay Althouse*

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

***Prayer of Dedication (unison)**

Loving God, we give you thanks for the ministry of reconciliation to which you call us in the name of Jesus Christ and his resurrection. Accept these gifts for your mission to heal all creation. May they be a testament to your love for us as we share them in love for you; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.



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Chancel Flowers today are given by Barbara D'Andrea, dedicated in memory of her mother, Betty Wilson, who would have celebrated her 100th birthday today.

On Mother's Day an arrangement of roses will grace our sanctuary in memory of and in honor of our mothers. To dedicate a rose, please see other side – order deadline is tomorrow.

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 or call the church office.

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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.

CALENDAR		
Sunday	10:00 am	Sunday Worship
	4:30 pm	Springs Porch Musicians in Session House
Monday:	9:00 am	Prayer Group in the Session House
	12:30 pm	Al-Anon in Session House
Tuesday:	7:30 am	Men's Breakfast at John Papa's
	1:00 pm	Prayer Shawl Knitting at Mary Siska's
Wednesday	1:30 pm	Book Club
Thursday:	12:30 pm	Al-Anon in Session House
	3:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday:	10:00 am	Sunday Worship
	4:30 pm	Springs Porch Musicians in Session House

Mark Your Calendars! Gil Gutierrez in Concert with Bob Stern – violin & Dave Rodriguez – brass Sunday, May 28, 2023 at 7:30 p.m Tickets: \$20
For info please call: 631-332-2550, or online: fpceh.org

Thank you to whoever left the tile in the mailbox, it's lovely.



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In celebration of Mother's Day, May 14th, an arrangement of roses will grace our sanctuary in memory of and in honor of our mothers. To dedicate a rose, please complete the form below.

Order Form

To submit a dedication, please complete this form and place it in the offering plate or drop it off at the church office. You may also call in an order (631) 324-0711.

The deadline to place an order is Monday, May 8th

Flowers given by:

Your Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Please clearly print the name(s) to whom you are making the dedication.

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

of roses ordered _____ x \$5.00 = \$ _____ Payment Due

Please make your check payable to **First Presbyterian Church of East Hampton.**

On the memo line write "Deacons' Fund for Mother's Day Flowers"

Payment is required in advance.

Please indicate:

I will pick up my rose(s) after the Mother's Day Sunday worship service _____ or

Please distribute _____