

Welcome to the First Presbyterian Church of East Hampton!

If this is your first time worshipping with us we thank you for joining us. We are an affirming church and welcome all members of God's family in this sanctuary.

Those participating in worship today:

Chancel Choir
Reader: Joy Anne Dixon

Elder of the Month: Bruce Siska
Deacon of the Month: Rachel Cooper

This Week's Calendar

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
Thursday: 12:30 pm Al-Anon in Session House
3:30 pm Choir Rehearsal
Sunday: 10:00 am Sunday Worship
3:00 pm Calliope Brass Concert (Admission: food pantry donations)

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, and the Families of Darlene Shields Bartoletta, David Grimes, and Our Sister Church in Guines, Cuba, their pastor and his family, and our pastor nominating committee.

Church office hours are Tuesday thru Friday from 9:00 to 1:00
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Food Pantry items for this week is canned soup.

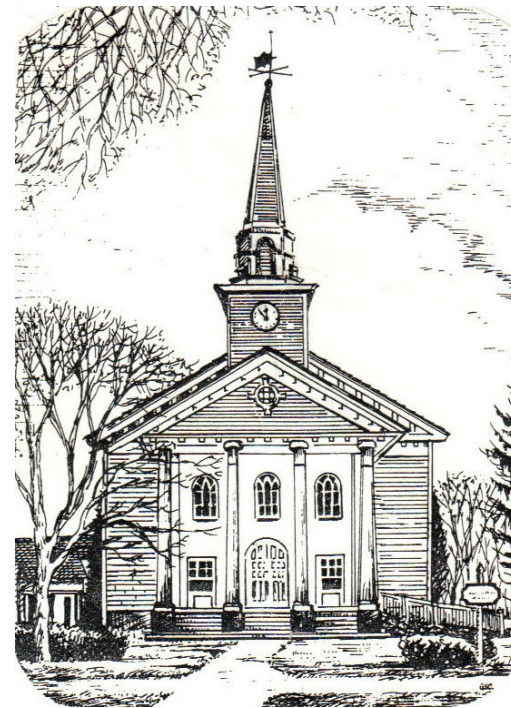
Pastors Emeriti

The Rev. Dr. John Ames

The Rev. Dr. Fred Schulz



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Celebration of the Lord's Day

March 19, 2023 4th Sunday of Lent

Rich Schneider, Guest Speaker

Jane Hastay, Director of Music

120 Main Street

East Hampton NY 11937

Gathering in God's Name

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

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

(from Psalm 23, Ephesians 5)

Leader: Dawn is breaking. Christ's light is shining.

People: The Light of the world shines in our lives.

Leader: Put aside the cares of the night.

People: In the Lord, we live in the light.

Leader: Even in the darkest valley, God illuminates our path.

People: Even in times of despair, hope shines forth.

Leader: Sleeper, awake! Christ's light is shining.

People: The Light of the world shines in our lives.

***Opening Prayer (unison)**

(Psalm 23, Ephesians 5)

Light of all lights, be our vision this day.

Open our eyes to behold your glory.

Open our hearts to the warmth of your love.

Open our minds to the flame of your truth.

Open our souls to the glory of living as children of the light,

that others may see in our living the sacred mystery of your kingdom. Amen

Hymn #450

"Be Thou My Vision"

Irish Ballad

Prayer of Confession (unison)

In our weakness, O God, we often fear what we do not understand.

In our blindness, we fail to see others as you do. Yet, we long to see as you see and

to perceive as you perceive. We yearn to cast aside the shadows of the night and

live as children born anew in the light of your love. Help us behold your glory in

this day, that we might reflect your light for all to see. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

***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 Reading: New Testament: Ephesians 5:8-14

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Gospel: John 9:1-38

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John 10:24, 25, 31-41

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Sermon *"Believe in the Works or What does God need with a Starship?"*

Rich Schneider

Responding to God with Thanksgiving

***Hymn #625**

"How Great Thou Art"

Swedish Folk Melody

***Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles Creed**

page 35 in hymnal

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

"Thy Word"

Lloyd Larsen

***Doxology (Hymn 606)**

Genevan Psalter

***Prayer of Dedication (unison)**

We seek your blessing upon this offering, for many are hungry and need food,

many are naked and need clothes, many are homeless and need shelter.

May these gifts reflect the depth of our gratitude as we go into the world.

In Jesus's name, we pray. Amen

*** Charge and Benediction**

Postlude