

**Welcome Guests!** We're glad you're here. Restrooms are available on the lower level of this building. Handicap accessible restrooms are in Fellowship Hall, next door. You're invited to enjoy coffee at "coffee hour" in Fellowship Hall immediately following worship. Our Hospitality Team (wearing yellow name tags) would be happy to assist you if you have any questions. If you'd like more information about the church, please fill out the Welcome Card in your pew back and either drop it in the collection plate or hand it to a pastor after worship.

**Hearing Assistance:** Devices are available. Please ask a Deacon to provide one.

**Nursery Care:** During worship, our trained caregivers welcome children 3 and under to the nursery located on the lower level of this building. Sabrina, Bailey and Linda welcome you and your children.

**Sunday School:** All youth ages PreK-6<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome to attend Sunday School. After the Children's Message, youth meet up with their teachers in the church foyer. Together, students and teachers make their way to the Fellowship Hall classrooms. After worship, parents are asked to pick up children in their classrooms. Guests are welcome to attend Sunday School and we ask that parents/guardians fill out a registration form on the first visit.

**Exiting in Case of Emergency:** In the event of an emergency, the front half of the church (nearest the altar) will exit through the two side doors. The back half of the church (nearest the foyer) will exit out the front doors and side ramp. The Deacons will assist those on the lower level to exit out the lower level back doors.

**Pastoral Care:** If you'd like to meet with a pastor, please call the office at 363-3758 Monday – Friday 9am-2pm. For emergency pastoral care after office hours and on weekends, you may reach one of the pastors by calling 207-358-9776. The pastors are available to make hospital visits and we invite you to let us know if you or a family member would like a visit. Due to hospital confidentiality regulations, the hospital will not inform us unless you ask them to do so.

**Photos and Video:** We regularly take photos and video for use in media. If you would prefer your/your child's image not be used, please inform a pastor after worship.



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## First Parish Church Congregational United Church of Christ

# Welcome

### Vision

Following the way of Jesus, we aspire to *authentically invite*, *courageously include*, and *generously serve* all with compassion and grace.

### Mission

Following the way of Jesus, we celebrate *inspirational worship*; create *life-changing experiences* for children, youth, families, and individuals; and practice *meaningful congregational care*.

While *respecting our diversity*, we *courageously advocate* for *justice and mercy*, and *intentionally respond* to the needs of our *community and the world*.

SUNDAY, MAY 26, 2019 ~ 9:30AM WORSHIP

\* *Please stand if you are able.*

**PRELUDE** Psalm 19 (“HEAVENS DECLARE THE GLORY OF GOD”)  
Benedetto Marcello (1686-1739)  
Chorale and Chorale Setting on “BLESSED JESUS, WE ARE HERE”  
Johann G. Walther (1684-1748)

**THE INVITATION** God’s grace, mercy, and peace be with you. Rev. Estelle Margarones  
**And also with you.**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHIMES FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION**  
*(Candles will be lit as a sign of Christ's light in the world.)*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** *(responsive)*  
Our God is a Resurrection God...  
**We are a Resurrection People!**  
We live as those in a broken world,  
**We rejoice at the hope we have because of our restoring God!**

**\*HOSPITALITY MOMENT**  
“No matter who you are or where you are on life’s journey, you are welcome here.”  
*(Please greet one another with a sign of God’s peace.)*

**\*OPENING HYMN** “HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING?” No. 424

**GATHERING PRAYER** *(unison)*  
**Mighty God, we thank you for raising Jesus to new life and we thank you for the new life we have through him. You loved humanity even when we were undeserving of your grace. Each time we fall short of your hope, you call us back to be our best selves because we are now in restored relationship. May we continue to be Christ's disciples and may we truly perceive the risen Christ among us. We pray this, and the prayer he first taught us, in his name.**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER** *(unison)*  
**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.**

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**ANTHEM** “GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS” Arr., Craig Courtney (b. 1948)  
*Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father. There is no shadow of turning with Thee: Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not, As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside!*  
**First Parish Sanctuary Choir**

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**SCRIPTURE** Romans 5:1-11 N.T. page 135 Beth King

**SERMON**

**HYMN** “SHOUT TO THE LORD” No. 94

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS** Hymn Setting on “LOVELY”  
Ralph Vaughn Williams (1872-1958)

**\*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF COMMITMENT** No. 34

**\*CLOSING HYMN** “IN CHRIST THERE IS NO EAST OR WEST” No. 600

**THE BLESSING AND THREEFOLD AMEN**

**POSTLUDE** March Royale Jean-Baptiste Lully (1632-1687)

*Flowers are given in loving memory of David Bardwell by his family.*

## THIS WEEK

**Today, Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup>**

9:30am Worship  
9:30am Tire Pressure Check  
11am Men's Ensemble Rehearsal  
5pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

**Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>  
Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>**

8am Zumba  
8:30am Yoga  
5-7pm Table of Plenty  
7pm Church Council Meeting

**Wednesday, May 29<sup>th</sup>**

8:30am Zumba  
9am Women's Bible Study  
5pm Adult Bible Study  
7pm People in Our Neighborhood-Richard Leigh  
at York Public Library

**Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup>**

8:30am Aerobics  
5:30pm-6pm Blessing of the Animals-outside the  
Fellowship Hall

**Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>  
Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup>**

6pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal  
7pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
8:30am Aerobics  
8:30am Christian Education Committee Meeting  
9am Youth Mission Trip-Car Wash  
9:30am Youth Group-5/6 grade

### **Ministers**

*All the Members of the Congregation*

*Leading Worship Today:*

*Rev. Esteslle Margarones*

*Rev. Dan Hollis*

### **Staff**

*Wendell S. Purrington, Director of Music Ministries*

*Terrie Ilaria, Music Associate*

*Janet Cassidy, Church School Coordinator*

### **First Parish Church Lay Leaders**

*Jan Jonas, Moderator*

*Thom Kearns, Vice Moderator*

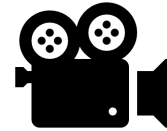
*Ray Hamlin, Treasurer*

*Susan Mancinelli, Clerk*



## First Parish Church Congregational United Church of Christ SPRING FAITH FEATURES

On May 30th at 5:30pm, we'll offer a Blessing of the Animals outdoors at Fellowship Hall. Pets are welcome. Stuffed animals, too!



**HELP WANTED** with recording our Sunday Worship Services. Learn about our new HD cameras and equipment as Bob Myers offers Recording Studio training sessions in the next few weeks. Please contact Bob at 207-351-2769 or [FPCstudio180@gmail.com](mailto:FPCstudio180@gmail.com).



### **Women on the Move** invites you to participate in a **Drum Circle Experience**

**Sunday, June 9**

**4:30pm – 6pm**

Fellowship Hall

All are invited

\$10 per person-drum provided

RSVP

Tricia Gosselin

508-259-3420

[trishgoss2@gmail.com](mailto:trishgoss2@gmail.com)

If anyone would like to give flowers for the June 23, Sunday worship service, please contact Martha at [marthasgarden207@gmail.com](mailto:marthasgarden207@gmail.com) or call 207-363-7344. Thank you!



### CREATION



### CARE

### WEEKLY CREATION CARE TIP

Learn to grow patio veggies in a pot or build a raised bed. Compost your organic waste and use it in your garden.

Source: <https://greenamerica.org/blog/regenerative-agriculture-heals-soils-reverses-climate-change>

Consider recycling, reusing plastic pots. Environmentally friendly sustainable pots also available. (Source: [treadingmyownpath.com](http://treadingmyownpath.com))