



First Parish Church, Congregational
On the Village Green

Manchester-by-the-Sea, Massachusetts

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MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, July 27, 2014, 9:00 a.m.

ORGAN PRELUDE: *“Ayre of Four Parts”*
By John Dowland (1562-1626)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

[The lighting of the candles]

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Come among us, God - You who cast the planets into space and cradle the sparrow in her nest.

People: **Come, God, and meet us here.**

Leader: Come among us, God - You who anointed your beloved Son with the power of the Holy Spirit to proclaim good news to all people.

People: **Come, God, and meet us here.**

Leader: Come among us, God - You who bless the poor and stand with the broken hearted.

People: **Come, God, and meet us here.**

Leader: Come among us, God - You who dance in the silence and shine in the darkness.

ALL: **Come, God, and meet us here. Come, Holy Spirit, come!**

***HYMN:** *“A Mighty Fortress is Our God”* *NCH #439*

PRAYER OF INVOCATION *(In Unison)*

Lord, set your blessing upon us as we begin this day together. Grant us a faith so alive, a vision so compelling, and a love so strong, that we, the church, and the world cannot help but be renewed. This we ask in the name of the One who taught us to pray saying...

***THE LORD'S PRAYER** (*trespasses*)

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Kings 3:5-12

ANTHEM: "*Psalm 150*" Music by Ned Rorem (b. 1923)

Rebecca Shrimpton, soprano

Praise ye the Lord. Praise God in his sanctuary:

Praise him in the firmament of his power

Praise him for his mighty acts:

Praise him according to his excellent greatness.

Praise him with the sound of the trumpet: Praise him with the psaltery and harp.

Praise him with the timbrel and dance: Praise him with stringed instruments and organs.

Praise him upon the loud cymbals: Praise him upon the high sounding cymbals.

Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord.

MORNING PRAYER CONGREGATION'S JOYS AND CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER (*In Unison*)

Come, Holy Spirit! Fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in us the fire of your love. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER-PASTORAL PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER RESPONSE: "*Grace*"

Words by Nora McGee

Music by Clifford Shaw (1911-1976)

Rebecca Shrimpton, soprano

For the blanket of the night o'er a starlit sky

For the hush of the dawn when morning is nigh.

For tender spring, for music, for joy the day may bring,

We thank thee dear God. May all our lives sing. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

***HYMN:** “*O Day of God, Draw Near*”

NCH #611

SERMON: “*Thy Kingdom Come*”

Rev. Alice W. Erickson

MOMENT OF MEDITATION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: “*Serenity*”

Words by John G. Whittier

Music by Charles Ives (1874-1954)

Rebecca Shrimpton, soprano

O, Sabbath rest of Galilee! O, calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with thee
The silence of eternity
Interpreted by love.
Drop thy still dews of quietness 'til all our strivings cease;
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
And let our ordered lives confess
The beauty of thy peace.

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***HYMN:** “*God of Grace and God of Glory*”

NCH #436

*[The “Removal of the Flame”]

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

ORGAN POSTLUDE: “*Prelude in C Major*”

by J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

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The greeters and lay readers are Martha Farmer and Steve Carhart.

The Deacons are Eleanor Harris and Mary Lumsden.

The Sexton is Rachael Gallagher.

Guest Minister Rev. Alice W. Erickson

We are pleased to welcome the Rev. Alice W. Erickson to lead us in worship this morning. Rev. Alice W. Erickson serves as a Supply Minister for the Essex Association and is a member of the West Gloucester Trinitarian Congregational Church. She is also a founding member of Grace Center, Inc., a day shelter for adults at risk, located in Gloucester, but serving all of Cape Ann. The Grace Center is very grateful for the generous support provided by First Parish Church, Manchester.

Guest Organist Bonnie Anderson

Bonnie Anderson made her debut with the Boston Symphony Orchestra at age 14, first as flute soloist and several months later as piano soloist in the Grieg Piano Concerto. She has performed on both instruments in the United States, France, Germany and South America. A frequent soloist, she has appeared with the Boston Pops, Peoria Symphony, Bach Society Orchestra of Harvard University, Northern Illinois Philharmonic and the Bach Festival Orchestra. Ms. Anderson's honors include the Young Pianist Award at Tanglewood, top prizes at the Young Keyboard Artists Association International Competition and the San Antonio International Keyboard Competition, as well as competitor in the Van Cliburn International Piano Competition. As chamber pianist, she has performed in Alice Tully Hall, Jordan Hall, the Austrian Embassy in Washington, D.C., the Shalin Liu Concert Hall in Rockport, MA and numerous universities around the country. She enjoys collaborating with members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, Orpheus Chamber Orchestra, Los Angeles Philharmonic, New York Philharmonic and National Symphony Orchestra. She performed on the Nantucket Musical Arts Society Concert Series with Branford Marsalis and the Walden Chamber Players. Ms. Anderson recently released her debut solo recording, featuring piano music by Bach, Mozart, Chopin, Rachmaninoff, Debussy, Ravel and Ned Rorem. Her recording of music for trumpet and piano with Joseph Foley will be released in 2014. She joined the piano

faculty at Phillips Andover Academy in September 2012. She lives in Manchester-by-the-Sea with her husband and two daughters.

Guest Vocalist Rebecca Shrimpton

Acclaimed as a “simply exquisite vocalist,” Rebecca has been praised by Britain’s *Jazzwise* magazine, *All Music Guide*, and *All About Jazz* and featured on NPR/PBS concert broadcasts. She performs and records with various bands, including the 19-piece Jazz Composers Alliance Orchestra, and is Assistant Professor of Voice at Berklee College of Music. Also a classical mezzo soprano, Rebecca is soprano section leader for First Parish’s choir.

After the service join us in the front of the church for hospitality.

Welcome to all who are new to our worship. To join our mailing list fill out a “Welcome Card” to place in the collection plate or contact office.fpchurch@verizon.net , 978-526-7661 ext 1.

ATTENDANCE Church 45

THE CARE TEAM MINISTRY, Have you shared the experience?

We support FPC families with meals, rides, & visits through times of illness and loss. If you would like to become involved with this wonderful team contact;

Sheila Kafer 978-525-3253, smkafer@comcast.net

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FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR Please call Penny Lapham at 978-526-7128, by Monday to be included in the following Sunday’s bulletin.



The Church Office will be closed on Tuesday July 29 and Thursday July 31.



Pay by PayPal! You can now pay your pledge or make a donation to First Parish Church by using PayPal, just click on [“Supporting The Church”](#) on our website.





Save the date Saturday November 15th!

All Fair news [online](#), on our website, keep informed!

Christmas Fair Crafters - as you are beachcombing this summer, please collect small smooth well worn driftwood for our Christmas crafts. Nothing longer than 18" or larger than 1 - 1 1/2 inch diameter. Contact Barbara.S.Smith@gmail.com or call 978-884-7957 (not home phone please) if you have questions.

THE SUMMER YOUTH SERIES

- Fun Event: You pick! Wednesday, August 13 Time TBD based on voting (closes July 1) More information to be provided upon voting results [View options and vote here.](#)

MISSION TRIP TO H.O.M.E -ATTENTION ADULTS!

Looking to give back this summer or take an "alternative" vacation?

Consider joining our Mission Trip to H.O.M.E. Inc., in Orland, ME, Sunday, Aug. 17, through Saturday, Aug. 23. Last year, our trip emphasized youth involvement; this year, we'd love for it to become an inter-generational service experience to witness and express Faith and Love in a hands-on way. Projects can include construction-based assignments, office work, day care, landscape, even meal preparation for the soup kitchen, all based on your own skill level and interest. We will also be taking a trip to Acadia National Park as a recreational day-trip in the middle of the week. Join us for a full-week, or a half-week program.

Full-week: Sunday, Aug. 17 - Saturday, Aug. 23 (cost \$150)

Half-week: Sunday, Aug. 17 - Wednesday, Aug. 20

or Wednesday, Aug. 20 - Saturday, Aug. 23 (includes Acadia National Park); Cost \$75, must provide own transportation for half-week

Questions? Email or call Emelia Attridge at

youthdirector.fpchurch@verizon.net (603-391-7033). Contact Emelia or the Office to register. [Brochure](#) Can't make it to Maine, but still want to be involved in the Mission Trip? Contact Emelia to make a non-perishable donation or to learn about other ways you can get involved.

Upcoming events can be found on our website (www.firstparishchurch.org) under “News” and “Calendar” and on our [Facebook page \(First Parish Manchester-by-the-Sea\)](#) under “Events”

THIS WEEK:

Monday

8:00 AM Exercise

Tuesday

Office Closed

Wednesday

8:00 AM Exercise

10:00 AM COA Yoga

Thursday

Office Closed

Friday

8:00 AM Yoga

Saturday

9:00 AM Dance Class

Sunday

9:00 AM Worship