



First Parish Church, Congregational
On the Village Green

Manchester-by-the-Sea, Massachusetts

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MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, May 22, 2016, 10:00 a.m.

Mission Celebration

ORGAN PRELUDE: *“Adagio” from Concerto in A minor
by Antonio Vivaldi (1675-1741)
Arranged for organ by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*[Please stand for the lighting of the candles]

CALL TO WORSHIP Micah 6:8

What does God require of you?

**To act justly and to love mercifully and
to walk humbly with your God.**

***HYMN:** *“300th Anniversary Hymn”
Tune: “Duke Street” “Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun”
Words by Rev. Dr. Llewellyn Smith*

First Parish Church, Congregational, sings.
Clear from God's people the chorus rings,
Brightly and boldly giving glory and praise
Three hundred years of faithful days.

Down all the years the faith story we tell;
Someone stands ready to ring the bell,
Calling folks out on each Sunday morn
Welcome and baptize the next newborn,

Weddings and funerals we gather to pray,
Follow Christ's life and truth and way,
Never forgetful of whose we are
And that our God is never far.

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Stand with the founders here on the town green:
God's folk in Manchester since 1716.

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OPENING PRAYER

**O Triune God, Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit,
You called us three hundred years ago to be a congregation
worshiping and serving You in Christ's name.
Bless us today as we lift up our work in mission,
supported and inspired by the ever amazing Holy Spirit. Amen.**

***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 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

PSALM 107:1-3, 23-32

Rev. Dr. Llewellyn Smith

GREETING from Veteran's Services of Gloucester, Adam Curcuru
Introduced by Jim Brennan

***HYMN:** *"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"* (The Navy Hymn)
PH #429 (v.1 &4) blue

PSALM 107:4-9

Rev. Dr. Llewellyn Smith

GREETING from The Open Door, Julie LaFontaine
Introduced by Nancy Peterson

***HYMN:** *"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"* *PH #461 (v.1) blue*

PSALM 107:13-16

Rev. Dr. Llewellyn Smith

GREETING from The Grace Center, Rev. Rona Tyndall
Introduced by Jen Powers

***HYMN:** *"Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"*
NCH #547(v.1) black

PSALM 107:35-43

Rev. Dr. Llewellyn Smith

GREETING from Zimbabwe, South Down Church

from Rev. Fungayi Mutsumbei read by Sara DeOreo

***HYMN:** *“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You” NCH #4 (vs. 1 & 4) black*

PSALM 107:1 & 43

Rev. Dr. Llewellyn Smith

GREETING from The Plummer Home, Nicole McLaughlin

Introduced by Mary Ellen Cook

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: *“Hymn to the Trinity”*

Based on the hymn tune “Italian Hymn” (1769)

by Felice de Giardini (1716-1796)

Arranged by Van Denman Thompson (1890-1969)

Quartet: Rebecca Shrimpton, Diane Houghton, Jim Brennan,

Paul Knox

Come, thou almighty King,

Help us to praise!

Father all glorious,

O'er all victorious

Come and reign over us.

Come thou incarnate Word,

Gird on thy mighty sword,

Our prayer attend!

Come and thy people bless,

And give thy word success,

Spirit of holiness, on us descend!

Come holy Comforter,

Thy sacred witness bear

In this glad hour.

Thou who almighty art,

Now rule in every heart,

And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power!

To thee, great One in Three,

Eternal praises be

Hence evermore:

Thy sovereign majesty

May we in glory see,

Holy, holy, holy, Lord.

Come, thou almighty King. Amen.

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.

PRAYER Romans 5:1-5

CHORAL RESPONSE

COMMISSION

***HYMN:** *“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”* NCH #43 black

*[The “Removal of the Flame”]

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

ORGAN POSTLUDE: *Toccata on ‘Old Hundredth’*
Robert Lau (b.1943)

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Please browse the Mission presentations located at the entry of the Church before and after the service today.

The greeters are The Mission Committee.

The flowers are dedicated to the mission organizations we are highlighting this morning.

The Deacons are John Feuerbach and Christiane Alsop.

Readers and Greeters are always needed, contact the office or talk to the Deacons.

Listening devices are available for those in need; they are at the back of the Sanctuary. Feel free to address a Deacon should you need help using them.

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.

Please, join us on Sunday, June 5 as we welcome our Confirmands as the newest members of our Church.



Worship at Tuck's Point Sunday, June 19, at 10 AM



VACATION BIBLE PROGRAM Save the Date! *Surf Shack*, June 22, 23 & 24, 1 PM - 3 PM Catch the Wave of God's Amazing Love with games, songs, crafts, and more! Questions? Contact Priscilla 978-526-7661 ext. 3 or cedirector.fpchurch@verizon.net

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR Please call [Penny Lapham](tel:978-526-7128) at 978-526-7128, to donate in memory or celebration!



We continue to knit blankets, shawls, and scarves; and for our military troops: helmet liners, neck gators, and scarves. We meet the 1st and 3rd Thursday each month at 3 PM in the Conference Room. We welcome anyone wishing to join us. Contact Penny Lapham at 978-526-7128 or laphenpen@live.com with questions.



We continue with a new selection for May, "The Invention of Wings" by Sue Monk Kidd. *Kidd's sweeping novel is set in motion on Sarah's eleventh birthday, when she is given ownership of ten year old Hetty "Handful", who is to be her handmaid. We follow their remarkable journeys over the next thirty five years, as both strive for a life of their own, dramatically shaping each other's destinies and forming a complex relationship marked by guilt, defiance, estrangement and the uneasy ways of love.* Good Reads We meet again Monday, May 23rd at 7 pm. We will meet at Mary Ellen Cook's home, 23 Harold St. All are welcome!



YOUTH GROUP MISSION The youth at First Parish church are doing a collection throughout the month of May for Operation Troop Support, located in Danvers. There will be a box located in the back of the church and another located downstairs in the youth room. The most important items the soldiers are looking for these days are white crew socks, non-perishable food snacks, such as nuts, pretzels, gum, individual servings of applesauce, oranges, pears, puddings in a cup, noodles in a cup, and those snack foods that do not require refrigeration. On the toiletry side, individual containers of shampoo, body lotion, calamine lotion, or sun screen. Anything you can donate is appreciated especially letters of thanks & encouragement. Youthdirector.fpchurch@verizon.net



The Nominating Committee is looking for Church members who would be interested in joining the Diaconate or the Vitality Committees. It is one of the most rewarding ways to learn about the running of our church and also to spend valuable time with old....and new....friends.

We have a few spaces that still need to be filled for the nominating slate to be presented at the June Annual Meeting. So if you have questions that we could answer or you just wish to sign up, we would love to hear from you. Contact one of us on the Nominating Committee, Martha Gubbins, 978-526-4643, Jen Powers, 978-525-2368, Marianne Round, 978-526-9460, Mary Lumsden, 978-526-1579, Penny Lapham, 978-526-7128

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

Janet Groth at 978-526-8408, janbythesea244@gmail.com

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

THIS WEEK:

Monday

7:30 PM Manchester Singers

Tuesday

10:00 AM COA Zumba

11:30 AM COA Lunch of the Month

Wednesday

10:00 AM COA Yoga

7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

3:00 PM Seaside Knitters

Friday

8:00 AM Yoga

4:00 PM Bible Study

Sunday

10:00 AM Worship