

First Parish Church, Congregational
On the Village Green
Manchester-by-the-Sea, Massachusetts

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MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, October 9, 2016, 10:00 a.m.

ORGAN PRELUDE: *“Soeur Monique”*
François Couperin (1668-1733)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*[Please stand for the lighting of the candles]

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us make a joyful noise to the God who made heaven and earth.

Let us sing God’s glory.

How awesome are the deeds, O God!

All the earth is ablaze with your glory!

***HYMN:** *“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”* *NCH # 12 black*

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

O God, giver of all good, who continually pours your benefits upon us, age after age the living wait upon you and find that your faithfulness never ends; your care for us is unfailing. We praise you that the mystery of our life is a mystery of infinite goodness.

We praise you for the constancy of nature; for the beauty and the bounty of the earth; for day and night, summer and winter, seedtime and harvest; for the varied gifts of loveliness and usefulness which every season brings. We give you thanks for all the comfort and joy of life, for our homes, for our friends, and for all the love and sympathy and goodwill of all people. We especially thank you for the gift of Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray ...

***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.

SILENT PRAYER-PASTORAL PRAYER-CHORAL RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 17:11-19 pg. 1627

***HYMN:** *“God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heaven”*
NCH #556 black (v.1-3)

SERMON: *“You Too Will Prosper”*

MOMENT OF MEDITATION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: *“A Repeating Alleluia”*
Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)

***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:** *“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You”* *NCH #4 black (v.1&2)*

*[The “Removal of the Flame”]

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

ORGAN POSTLUDE: *“Chaconne” (After Couperin)*
Gordon Young (1919-1998)

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The greeters and lay readers are David and Mary Lumsden.

The flowers are in appreciation of our 300th Committee’s hard work throughout this year as we continue to celebrate our church's history.

The Deacons are Paul Gudonis and Shawn Newman.

Readers and Greeters are always needed, speak to the Deacons if you would like to participate.

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.

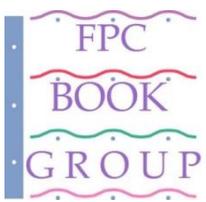


Sunday, October 23, a conversation with Rev. Edward M. Matuvhunye, the past President of the United Church of Christ of Zimbabwe. Rev. Matuvhunye is currently studying at Andover Newton Theological School and is engaged in pulpit supply to New England UCC congregations. He has been invited to Annual General, General Assemblies and General Synod Meetings of the UCC and the Disciples of Christ/Christian Church as an international guest and participant. Rev. Matuvhunye served Bulawayo and Mt Selinda Churches, the latter being the oldest, first, and pride of the UCCZ. He has served as a Conference Minister, during which he established the partnership between the New Hampshire Conference UCC, USA and the United Church of Christ in Zimbabwe, which First Parish participates in. He served as President and General Minister of the United Church of Christ in Zimbabwe, from 2005-2012, during this time he connected the church with several ecumenical and developmental global partners including the Alliance of Religions and Conservation (ARC) and Supporting Hospitals Upgrading Medical By Action (SHUMBA). Please join us in welcoming him following worship on the 23rd.

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

Seaside Parish Knitters meets alternating Thursday afternoons in the Conference Room of the Chapel, 3-5 PM. Join Us!





We will be gathering again Monday October 24, 7 PM at Bonnie Benincasa's house. 25 Hickory Hill Road.

The book for October is “Carry On” by Lisa Fenn. *In the spirit of The Blind Side and Friday Night Lights comes a tender and profoundly moving memoir about an ESPN producer’s unexpected relationship with two disabled wrestlers from inner city Cleveland, and how these bonds—blossoming, ultimately, into a most unorthodox family—would transform their lives.*

Book group will continue to meet monthly throughout the year.



Thursdays, led by Rev. John Hughes at 4 PM.

At the sign of the rose, we’re happy to announce that our new season of *Vespers* quiet time, prayerful meditation candle-lighting at the altar, and music, resumes this fall.

All are welcome. The Sanctuary opens at 6:30 for meditation & prayer; our service is from 7 – 7:30 pm.

Weds., Oct. 19 – Vespers: “no slumber” *psalm 121*

Weds., Nov. 2 – Vespers: “delights in people” *psalm 149*

Weds., Nov. 30 – Vespers: “peace within” *psalm 122*

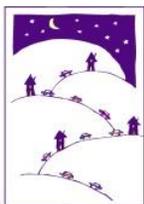


THE CARE TEAM MINISTRY, Have you shared the experience?

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;

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*Progressive
Dinner*

Postponed!

Stay tuned for more details in the Spring.

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

Monday

7:30 PM Manchester Singers
7:00 PM BOT
Columbus Day Office Closed

Tuesday

10:00 AM COA Zumba
6:30 PM CE Committee

Wednesday

10:00 AM COA Yoga
6:30 PM Missions Committee
7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

4:00 PM Bible Study

Friday

8:00 AM Yoga

Sunday

10:00 AM Worship
Nursery, Sunday School, Middle School Youth Group