



First Parish Church, Congregational
On the Village Green

Manchester-by-the-Sea, Massachusetts

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MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, August 31, 2014, 9:00 a.m.

PRELUDE: *Intonazione for piano by Giovanni Gabrieli (1554-1612)*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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: Grant unto us, O God, fullness of life:

People: Where we have been weak, grant us your strength;

Leader: where we have been confused, grant us your guidance;

People: where we have been distraught, grant us your comfort;

Leader: where we have been dead, grant us your life.

**ALL: Apart from you, O Lord, we are nothing;
in and with you we can do all things. Amen.**

***HYMN:** *“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”*

NCH #42

PRAYER OF INVOCATION *(said in unison)*

In this sacred space we gather with grateful hearts, O Lord. Awaken us to hear your call for our lives. Challenge us with your Word, and renew us with your presence, that we might follow you with boldness all the days of our lives. This we ask in the name of Our Lord and Savior 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: Romans 12:9-21

ANTHEM: *Menuett I in C Major for flute by J. S. Bach (1685-1750)*

MORNING PRAYER

CONGREGATION'S JOYS AND CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER (*said in unison*)

Eternal God, in the reading of the scripture, may your Word be heard; in the meditations of our hearts, may your Word be known; and in the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be shown. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER-PASTORAL PRAYER- RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 16:21-28

***HYMN:** *"O Jesus, I Have Promised"*

NCH #493

SERMON: *"The Authentic Life"*

Rev. Alice Erickson

MOMENT OF MEDITATION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: *Menuett II in C Major for flute
by J. S. Bach*

***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:** *"Come, Labor On"*

NCH #532

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE: *Bergamasca for organ by Samuel Scheidt (1587-1654)*

The greeter and lay reader is Fran Bachman.

The Deacons are Ralph and Wendy Smith.

The Sexton is Tyler Duda.

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 Musician 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.

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 44

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



Sunday School Open House and Registration

Join us as we kick off the year
on Sunday, September 14, 10:00 AM
@ the Chapel

Be sure to invite your friends!

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

Labor Day

Wednesday

8:00 AM Exercise

10:00 AM COA Yoga

7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

Friday

8:00 AM Yoga

Saturday

9:00 AM Dance Class

Sunday

10:00 AM Worship



September 3

7:30 PM Choir Begins

September 7

10:00 AM Family Worship, Children's Sermon
Choir Returns to Worship

September 14

10:00 AM Worship, Sunday School Open House
SS & YG 1st Day Back
4:30 PM HSYG Teen Café

September 17

5:00 PM FPC Serves The Open Door

September 20

11:30 AM HSYG Service Project

September 21

10:00 AM Jazz Sunday Service
11:30 AM Confirmation Info Session
2:00 PM Walk With God in Newburyport

September 24

7:00 PM Vespers

September 27

2:30 PM MSYG Fun Event

September 28

10:00 AM Worship, SS, Nursery & YG
4:30 PM HSYG Teen Café