



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

*Awaken to the Light and Love of God;  
Be a Joyful Beacon to the World*

Rev. Dr. Mark Boyea, Minister  
Dr. Herman Weiss, Director of Music and Organist

First Parish Church, Congregational  
United Church of Christ  
Worship Celebration  
Pentecost Sunday  
Sacrament of Baptism  
Sacrament of Communion  
Annual Meeting Sunday  
Sunday, June 5, 2022  
10:00 am

Prelude                                      *“Come, Holy Spirit, Come”*                                      Lenel

Welcome

Opening Hymn                                      *“Shadow and Substance”*  
(printed in bulletin)

**Opening Prayer (together)**

Come, Holy Spirit.

Come, Holy Spirit of God, and inspire us. Lift us up so we can see in new ways; hear different perspectives; perceive new opportunities. Open us up to sense and welcome Your presence, comfort and strength when we struggle or wander from the way of life we are called to.

Come, Holy Spirit of Jesus, and move us. Empower us to reach out to the suffering and the vulnerable. Lead us to walk with the discouraged and despairing.

Come, Holy Spirit.

We pray this and all things in the name of Jesus - the One sent to embody and bring the Holy Spirit to us - and with the words He gave us...

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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## **The Sacrament of Baptism for Cassandra Ruth Weaver**

Parents: Andrea Lance Weaver and Daniel Weaver

Sibling: Patrick Thomas Weaver

Grandparents: Thomas W. Lance, Lynnee Lance, Richard Weaver, Mary Weaver

Godparents: Brendan Terr, Christine Weaver

Introduction

Covenant of the One Being Baptized

Covenant of the Congregation

Blessing of the Baptismal Water

The Act of Baptism

Congregational Prayer for the One Baptized (together)

We give you thanks, O God, for Cassandra, and for her Baptism through water and Your Holy Spirit. May her reception into Your spiritual community help her find courage and strength in difficult times, experience the joy that You desire her to know, and receive the fullness of life that comes from following the example of Jesus. Amen.

**Solo**

*“In Christ Alone”* (medley)

Getty, Townend, Craig and Koch, arr. Harlan

Rebecca Shrimpton, soloist

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song; this cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.

What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease. My Comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

There in the ground His body lay, light of the world by darkness slain: then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!

And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me; for I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

In Christ alone I place my trust and find my glory in the power of the cross. In ev'ry victory let it be said of me, my source of strength, my source of hope is Christ alone.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me; from life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand: 'till He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

In Christ alone I place my trust and find my glory in the power of the cross. In ev'ry victory my source of strength, my source of hope is Christ alone.

### **Prayer Intentions**

#### **Time of Silent and Spoken Prayer**

#### **Invitation to the Offering**

**Music Meditation**      *"Graceful Ghost Rag"*      Bolcom  
Dr. Herman Weiss, piano

#### **Prayer of Dedication**

**The New Testament      Acts 2:1-8, 12-18      Liz Loomis**  
**(New Living Bible Translation)**

<sup>1</sup>On the day of Pentecost all the believers were meeting together in one place. <sup>2</sup>Suddenly, there was a sound from heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm, and it filled the house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them. <sup>4</sup>And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them this ability.

<sup>5</sup>At that time there were devout Jews from every nation living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>When they heard the loud noise, everyone came running, and they were bewildered to hear their own languages being spoken by the believers.

<sup>7</sup>They were completely amazed. “How can this be?” they exclaimed. “These people are all from Galilee, <sup>8</sup> and yet we hear them speaking in our own native languages!

<sup>12</sup> They stood there amazed and perplexed. “What can this mean?” they asked each other. <sup>13</sup> But others in the crowd ridiculed them, saying, “They’re just drunk, that’s all!”

<sup>14</sup> Then Peter stepped forward with the eleven other apostles and shouted to the crowd, “Listen carefully, all of you, fellow Jews and residents of Jerusalem! Make no mistake about this. <sup>15</sup> These people are not drunk, as some of you are assuming. Nine o’clock in the morning is much too early for that. <sup>16</sup> No, what you see was predicted long ago by the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup> ‘In the last days,’ God says,  
‘I will pour out my Spirit upon all people.  
Your sons and daughters will prophesy.  
Your young men will see visions,  
and your old men will dream dreams.

<sup>18</sup> In those days I will pour out my Spirit  
even on my servants—men and women alike—  
and they will prophesy.

## Message

**Choir Anthem**

*“Filled With the Glory!”*

Bessig, Price

Filled with the power, filled with the might, filled with the glory, the glory of the Lord. We are filled with the power, we are filled with the might. We are filled with the glory of the Lord! Filled with the glory!

We are filled with the wonder, we are filled with the light. We are filled with the glory, the glory of the Lord! When they came together to worship on that day, a mighty wind swept over them; they saw those tongues aflame. Though they spoke in languages from many different lands, the spirit moved among them, and they all could understand.

They were filled with the power, they were filled with the might. They were filled with the glory of the Lord, of the Lord!

They were filled with the wonder, they were filled with the light. They were filled with the glory, the glory of the Lord!

Like those true believers, we gather here today to celebrate and praise the Lord and worship in His name. As we go into the world to witness and inspire, the Spirit moves within us and will set our hearts afire.

We are filled with the power, we are filled with the might. We are filled with the glory of the Lord! We are filled with the wonder, we are filled with the light. We are filled with the glory, the glory of the Lord, of the Lord! We are filled with the glory of the Lord!

### **The Sacrament of Communion**

**Leader:** God is with us;

**People:** In every moment of our lives.

**Leader:** Let us lift up our hearts.

**People:** We lift them up to our God.

**Leader:** Let us present our lives to God,

**People:** Through all we do and say.

### **The Words of Institution**

#### **Consecration**

**Sharing God's Gifts** (gluten free option available)

### **The Community's Prayer of Thanksgiving**

We give you thanks, O God, for calling us to this table of nourishment and healing for body, mind and spirit. May the sharing of this holy meal strengthen our faith, increase our love for You and one another, and give us the courage we need to go out into the world as Christ's disciples, inspired and supported for Your Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Closing Hymn**

*"Be Now My Vision"*  
(printed in bulletin)

**Blessing**

## Closing Song

*“The Peace of the Earth”*

Guatemalan traditional

The peace of the earth be with you, the peace of the heavens too; the peace of the rivers be with you, the peace of the oceans too. Deep peace falling over you; God’s peace growing in you. (Repeat)

- Please plan to stay immediately after Worship this morning for **today’s Annual Meeting**. Our Moderator, Bethany Woods, will conduct the session, and food will be served.
- Our Deacons this morning are Sue Parker and Liz Loomis.
- ***Bible Study*** will be held this **Thursday, June 9** at 4pm on Zoom.
- ***Prayer and Meditation*** will next take place on **Thursday, June 9** on Zoom at 7pm.
- Our current ***Spiritual Exploration*** unit resumes this week:

### ***“These Things”: Considering Your Life Testament***

Tuesdays: June 7, 14 and 28 (additional weeks as needed)  
7:00pm – 8:30pm on Zoom

Based on a spiritual exercise crafted by Jesuit priest and author Father Anthony de Mello, this unit will involve considering and sharing our responses and insights regarding a number of *“these things”* statements – for example: *“These things I have loved in life:”* and *“These experiences I have cherished:”* It promises to be a time of deep spiritual reflection, challenge, clarity and growth. After the first session, one or more *“these things”* prompts will be provided as “homework” in preparation for the following session.

Each session can be participated in on its own for those concerned about missing one or more evenings.

The homework prompts for the session on **Tuesday, June 7** are:

*“These Risks I Took”*

*“These Sufferings Have Seasoned Me”*

**Remember:**

1. Write as many responses as you can.
  2. Avoid “self-editing”
  3. Let go of concerns over how “trivial” a response might be to you or others.
  4. Be as detailed as possible.
- Readers and Greeters are always needed, to volunteer speak to the Deacons, or you can also sign up [online](#).  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0c4caba822a1f49-diaconate>
  - 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.
  - Welcome to all who are new to our Worship time. To join our mailing list please fill out a “Welcome Card” to place in the collection plate or contact [office.fpchurch@gmail.com](mailto:office.fpchurch@gmail.com), 978-526-7661 ext. 1.
  - You can contribute to the work of First Parish Church or pay your pledge @PayPal.Me/FPChurchManchester
  - Our FPCC Compassion child, Chepkirwok needs supporters for December and In 2023, [sign up now](#), questions can be directed to Sue Parker, [sueparker33@aol.com](mailto:sueparker33@aol.com).
  - [Click to read](#) The Church Bell Newsletter of First Parish Church Congregational for June 2022.
  - Manchester Affordable Housing Trust Announces Emergency Rental Housing Payment Assistance - The Manchester Affordable Housing Trust (MAHT), in collaboration with Action, Inc., a Gloucester-based human and social services agency, is offering short-term rental housing payment assistance to income eligible Manchester residents in response to job and income loss related to the COVID-19 pandemic.



Consistent with its mission to support and promote community affordable housing, the MAHT is reaching out to income eligible residents who are experiencing housing rent payment issues.

The MAHT can and wants to help during this difficult and uncertain time. For further information please contact Action, Inc. at 978-282-1000.

- **The Outreach and Service collection continues for  
The Open Door and The Grace Center and Operation Troop Support**

**Needed:**

Baking Mixes - Cake, Brownie, Cookie, Muffin, Pancake

Peanut Butter

Canned Tuna, Chicken, and Turkey

Healthy Snack Items

100% Juice/Juice Boxes

Breakfast Cereal

Hearty Soups

Canned Vegetables and Fruits

Spaghetti Sauce

Macaroni and Cheese

Rice, Noodles, Pasta

Pet Food

Gift Cards from local grocery markets

(Shaw's, Stop & Shop, Market Basket, etc.)

so they can purchase butter, cream and other perishables

**Troop items for June, July & August are:**

Powdered drink mixes- Gatorade, iced tea, lemonade

Dry fruits & nuts

Hard candy

Beef Jerky

Flip Flops, Shower wash

Razors and toiletries

Drop at the Church before Worship or at the Chapel

- **Book Group Summer News**

**June 27- “Meet Me at the Museum” by Anne Youngson - to be held at 6:30 PM at Liz Loomis’ home at 34 Bennett St. Manchester.**

*When the curator of a Danish museum responds to a query about ancient exhibits, he doesn’t expect a reply.*

*When Tina Hopgood first wrote it, nor did she ...*

*Professor Anders Larsen, an urbane man of facts, has lost his wife, along with his hopes and dreams for the future. He does not know that a query from a Mrs Tina Hopgood about a world-famous antiquity in his museum is about to alter the course of his life.*

*Oceans apart, an unexpected correspondence flourishes as they discover shared passions: for history and nature; for useless objects left behind by loved ones; for the ancient and modern world, what is lost in time, what is gained and what has stayed the same. Through intimate stories of joy, anguish, and discovery, each one bares their soul to the other. But when Tina's letters suddenly cease, Anders is thrown into despair. Can this unlikely friendship survive?*<sup>goodreads</sup>

**July is a free month, enjoy your summer reads!**

**August 29, 6:30 PM- “Mad About the Boy” by Helen Fielding - location TBA.**

*Move over, Bridget Jones’s diary: She’s back, and this time she’s texting and tweeting. . .Fourteen years after landing Mark Darcy, Bridget’s life has taken her places she never expected. But despite the new challenges of single parenting, online dating, wildly morphing dress sizes, and bafflingly complex remote controls, she is the same irrepressible and endearing soul we all remember—though her talent for embarrassing herself in hilarious ways has become dangerously amplified now that she has 752 Twitter followers. As Bridget navigates head lice epidemics, school-picnic humiliations, and cross-generational sex, she learns that life isn’t over when you start needing reading glasses—and why one should never, ever text while drunk. Studded with witty observations about the perils and absurdities of our times, Mad About the Boy is both outrageously comic and genuinely moving. As we watch her dealing with heartbreaking loss and rediscovering love and joy, Bridget invites us to fall for her all over again.*

<sup>goodreads</sup>

# Shadow and Substance

Dan Damon, 1989

Gen. 1:26-27

Unison G C/G G C/G

1 Shad - ow and sub - stance, won - der and mys - ter - y,  
 2 We are your im - age, formed in com - mu - ni - ty;  
 3 Nam - ing the name - less Spir - it of u - ni - ty,

Bm Em7 Am7 D G C/G

spell-bind-ing spin-ner of at - oms and earth; Soul of the cos-mos,  
 sis - ters and broth-ers of Ad - am and Eve. You gave us col - or,  
 scan-ning the heav-ens for signs of your care; God of the a - ges,

G C/G Bm7 Em7 Am7 D7 G

per - son and en - er - gy, source of our be - ing: we sing of your worth.  
 cus - tom and his - to - ry; teach us to hon - or what oth - ers re - ceive.  
 give us hu - mil - i - ty; guide us to mys - ti - cal un - ion in prayer.

*This hymn by writer and composer Dan Damon exemplifies one of the goals he has articulated about his work: "To keep things simple and singable while at the same time exploring the edges of our spoken and sung faith."*

Tune: TWILIGHT 5.6.10.D.  
 Dan Damon, 1989

# Be Now My Vision

*Ancient Irish text, c. 8th century; transl. Mary E. Byrne, 1905  
Versified by Eleanor H. Hull, 1912; adapt.*

*Unison*

1 Be now my vi - sion, O God of my heart;  
2 Be now my wis - dom, and be my true word;  
3 Rich - es I need not, nor life's emp - ty praise,  
4 Sov - ereign of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

noth - ing sur - pass - es the love you im - part—  
ev - er with - in me, my soul is as - sured;  
you, my in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;  
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav - en's Sun!

You my best thought, by day or by night,  
Moth - er and Fa - ther, you are both to me,  
You and you on - ly are first in my heart,  
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, your pres - ence my light.  
now and for - ev - er your child I will be.  
great God, my trea - sure, may we nev - er part.  
still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

*Dating from the eighth century or earlier, this Irish hymn was translated into prose by Mary Byrne. It was then versified by Eleanor Hull, author of several books on Irish literature and history. David Evans arranged the Irish melody for this text in 1927.*

*Tune: SLANE 10.10.9.10.  
Traditional Irish melody  
Harm. David Evans, 1927*