

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

First Parish Church, Congregational United Church of Christ Worship Celebration The Sacrament of Communion Jazz Sunday Family Sunday Sunday, October 2, 2022 10:00 AM

Pre-Service Music on the Green Brian Price, tenor saxophone, and Tom Palance, trumpet

Prelude "*Blue Skies*" by Irving Berlin (1888-1989) Jazz Ensemble

Welcome John Feuerbach

Opening Hymn *"They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"* by Peter Scholte (1938-2009) (printed in bulletin)

Call to Worship

Anthem *"Somebody's Knockin'"* African American Spiritual, arr. R. Shrimpton Jazz Ensemble and Rebecca Shrimpton, voice

Somebody's knockin' at your door, somebody's knockin' at your door Oh, sinner, why don't you answer? Somebody's knockin' at your door

Somebody's ringin' all the bells. Oh, sinner, why don't you follow? Can't you hear them? Oh, sinner, rise up and follow. Jesus calls you. Oh, sinner, why don't you answer? Somebody's knockin' at your door.

Prayer Intentions Time of Silent and Spoken Prayer with 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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Music Meditation *"Duke Ellington's Sound of Love"* by Charles Mingus (1922-1979) Rebecca Shrimpton, voice

I was young and carefree. Not a song had found my soul.

Lost in blues, jazz and ragtime, no sound had got to my mood.

I was searching for my melody, love blues that gets me wooed.

All alone. Sad clown with her circus closed down, lost on my merry-go-round,

Came a melody in my heart so yearning.

Taught me to hear music out of Love, from the Soul, for this Life we all live, Infinite, with the Lover and Beloved,

As one Ellington Sound of Love.

Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading John Feuerbach

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick. ¹⁹ Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: 'Is the LORD not in Zion? Is her King not in her?' ('Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?') ²⁰ 'The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved.' ²¹ For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me. ²² Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored? ¹ O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears.

so that I might weep day and night

for the slain of my poor people!

1Timothy 2:1-7

¹First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for everyone, ² for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³ This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, ⁴ who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵ For

there is one God;
there is also one mediator between God and humankind,
Christ Jesus, himself human,
⁶ who gave himself a ransom for all

—this was attested at the right time. ⁷ For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Sermon "Against All Odds" Rev. Teri Motley

Anthem *"I Woke Up This Morning"* African American Spiritual, arr. R. Shrimpton Jazz Ensemble and First Parish Choir

I woke up this mornin' with my mind stayed on Jesus Woke up this mornin' with my mind stayed on Jesus Woke up this mornin' with my mind stayed on Jesus Hallelu, Hallelu, Hallelujah

Singin' and prayin' with my mind stayed on Jesus Hallelu, Hallelu, Hallelujah

Walkin' and talkin' with my mind stayed on Jesus Hallelu, Hallelu, Hallelujah

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation

Communion Prayer

Prayer of Praise

Pastor: We come to this table in remembrance and celebration of the gift of Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be the Good News.

Born of Mary, our sister in faith, Christ lived among us, to reveal the mystery of your Word,

to suffer and die on the cross for us, to be raised from death on the third day, and then to live in glory.

With our sisters and brothers in faith, we praise you

All: Holy Holy, Holy, God of love and majesty, the whole universe tells of your glory, O God Most High. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Institution

Breaking Bread and Pouring Wine (gluten free bread available)

Sharing the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving All: Bountiful God, we give you thanks that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Christ. Strengthen our faith, Increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, and in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen

Closing Hymn *"Angels"* African American Spiritual (printed in bulletin) Call & Response Leader: Paul Knox See the back of the bulletin

Blessing

Closing Song *"Go Out with Joy"* music by R. Shrimpton, text from Isaiah 55:12

Ye shall go out with Joy and be led forth with Peace.

The mountains and the hills shall break forth into singing

And all the trees of the field shall clap, clap, clap their hands!

This morning we welcome Guest Minister, Rev. Teri Motley.

Rev. Teri Motley was raised in Minnesota, in a family which she describes as "strict atheist". Coming East to college, she moved with her first husband to Springfield Vermont, where she lived for over 20 years. In that time, she began her faith journey when she attended a UCC church, and then attended divinity school first in Bangor Maine, and then finishing her Masters in Divinity degree at Andover Newton Theological School, in Newton Massachusetts. Moving with her second husband to Nahant, she was supported in her journey to ordination by the Nahant Village Church. She has served churches in New Hampshire and Massachusetts. She enjoys preaching and supporting the church in any way she can.

Welcome to our guest musicians this morning.

Brian Price, tenor saxophone Brian grew up attending First Parish Church with his family. He began playing music with his father and in the Beverly public school system; he also studied with Leonard Hochman. As part of the Lost and Wandering Blues and Jazz Band, he has toured through the US, France, and Italy. He has performed in the US and Germany with New York-based musician Cooper-Moore, and is a member of the new CooperMoore Trio along with Pascal Niggenkemper.

Thomas M. Palance, trumpet Tom is known for versatility as a trumpet player and as an innovative teacher. He retired from the U.S. Navy Band in Washington, D.C. after 20 years, holding the positions of assistant principal trumpet and soloist with the Commodores Jazz Band. He has also created collaborative artistic projects using animators, dancers, artists, photographers, and poets. Presently, Tom is Assistant Professor of Harmony at Berklee College of Music and continues to perform, compose and conduct.

Rebecca Shrimpton, vocalist Acclaimed as a "simply exquisite vocalist," Rebecca has been praised in *DownBeat* magazine, *All Music Guide, All About Jazz, All About Jazz Italia*, and Britain's *Jazzwise* magazine. She's performed and recorded with Joe Lovano, Steve Lacy, Oliver Lake, George Russell, George Lewis, and blues organist Mike Finnigan, as well as the 19-piece Jazz Composers Alliance Orchestra. Also a classical mezzo soprano, Rebecca is soloist at First Parish Church and is Associate Professor of Voice at Berklee College of Music.

Carolyn Wilkins, piano A jazz pianist and vocalist, Carolyn has been an active participant in the Boston music scene for over 20 years as a performer, educator and composer. She has performed on radio and television with her group SpiritJazz and toured South America as a Jazz Ambassador for the US State Department performing with the Pittsburgh Symphony under Andre Previn. A graduate of Oberlin Conservatory and Eastman School of Music, Carolyn is Professor at Berklee College of Music and author of several books, including *Damn Near White: An African American Family's Journey from Slavery to Bittersweet Success* (University of Missouri Press) and *Melody for Murder: A Bertie Bigelow Mystery.*

Dave Landoni, bass A first-time guest of First Parish, Dave received his B.A. from Berklee College of Music. He has played and recorded with jazz artists Herb Pomeroy, NEA Jazz Master vocalist Sheila Jordan, Terrell Stafford, Jens Lidemann of the Canadian Brass, the Artie Shaw Orchestra under the direction of Dick Johnson, Mike Renzi, and Eugene Maslov. David maintains a private teaching studio, and is on the faculty at the University of Massachusetts, Boston.

Russell Lane, drums A Marblehead resident, Russell is a long-time friend and guest percussionist at First Parish. He has performed in Dave Brubeck's "Mass, To Hope! A Celebration" with the Paul Madore Chorale. He also plays with indie rock and folk groups in the Boston/North Shore area, including The Willows. When he isn't rocking out, Russell is a software engineer.

Our Deacon this morning is John Feuerbach.

We invite everyone to join us for "Coffee Hour Fellowship" immediately following Worship!

Readers and Greeters are always needed. To volunteer speak to the Deacons, or you can also sign up <u>online</u>. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0c4caba822a1f49-diaconate

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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, 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 2023, <u>sign up now</u>, questions can be directed to Sue Parker, sueparker33@aol.com.

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Thursday- Bible Study sessions are changing during the pre-interim period. The group will continue their lively discussions each Thursday afternoons, 4 PM, on Zoom using The Daily Word as a resource. For more information or to join in contact Paul Lengieza at 978-526-4765, <u>lengiezap@hotmail.com</u> or contact the FPC office at 978-526-7661 ext. 1.

The Visiting Nurses Association offers a **VNA health clinic the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month**, 10:00 - noon at the Chapel building. **The Seaside Parish Knitters meets each 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at the Chapel, from 1-5 pm.** We welcome anyone to stop by anytime during that time and join in. Over the years we have enjoyed our time knitting and crocheting items for baptismal events at the church, shawls and blankets for friends at home, scarves, neck gators, and helmet liners for our veterans in combat, and mittens and hats for Cape Ann children. We are always looking for knitting needles and yarn that you might be considering "casting" aside, especially wool. Contact Penny Lapham at 978-526-7128.

Fall Youth and Children's Ministry News

The School Supplies Drive runs through October 9 with a *Blessing of the Supplies.* This benefits Beeman in Gloucester. There will be a bin to collect assorted school supplies outside of the Chapel Hall.

Backpacks	Number 2 Pencils	Sharpeners
Washable Markers	Composition Books	School Glue
Two Pocket Folders	Ballpoint Pens	Colored Pencils
Pencil Cases	Colored Construction Paper	
Thin Dry Erase and Sharpies		

Today Sunday, October 2, Sunday School begins with a Family Sunday. Every Communion Sunday will be a Family Sunday with the children remain for the worship service.

Sunday, October 9: Sunday School classes begin.

October 8, Faith Formation will offer Hoops for School Supplies to benefit the Beeman School of Gloucester. Come at 3:30 PM to the Chapel Hall parking lot. Register and get your entry number by providing \$5 worth of school supplies. At 4 PM we begin keeping count of how many consecutive baskets you can sink. If you miss, we give the next contestant their turn. This is an hour-long event finishing at 5 PM. The winner receives an MBA jersey courtesy of First Parish Church! Tell your friends. This is also an opportunity to register and find out more about the exciting opportunities for Youth Fellowship (middle school through age 18) and Young Adults. Youth Fellowship will include 2 monthly meetings. One will be a dinner/discussion meeting with games, a group mission project. The other will be a special event - movie, paint night, escape room, trampoline park, ropes day, etc.

Book Group News - Did you know we have a book group at First Parish? It is open to anyone and meets on the last Monday of the month.

This is a time for church members as well as non-church friends to come together and engage with one another, build relationships, and share in a discussion of books that are of interest to people of various backgrounds. We have fun visiting, conversing about the book and sharing stories and would love to have you join us!

We meet on **October 24th** (not the 31st which is Halloween), to discuss *"The Alice Network"* by Kate Quinn at Mary Lumsden's home, 18 Woodcrest Rd. Manchester. RSVP to Mary at 978-712-0047. **November 28th** we will discuss *"In the Woods"* by Tana French.

For questions about Book Group call Mary Ellen Cook 978-500-0018 or the FPC office at 978-526-7661 ext. 1.

First Parish is looking for help with streaming our worship services. Can you volunteer? Full training is provided! Not sure? Sign up to be an assistant to the volunteer who is streaming. We need your help to continue to provide online access to Worship services. Sign up <u>here</u> https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C4CABA822A1F49-sunday2 or contact Richard Smith at <u>richard.w.smith@gmail.com</u>.

Manchester Seniors - Drop in for Coffee and Conversation

Starting September 12th and continuing every Monday 10 AM-12:30 PM (except holidays) at the First Parish Chapel Hall located behind Santander Bank. Hospitality provided by *The Friends of The Manchester Council on Aging.* Come sit down and talk!

Upcoming Guest Worship Leaders Through our pre-interim period we will have the following worship leaders filling our pulpit-

Today, October 2, Rev. Teri Motley

October 9, Jasmine Buchanan, Minister in Discernment October 16, Rev. Judy Brain October 23, Gene D'Angelo October 30, Rev. Jared Hamilton November 6, Rev. Teri Motley November 13, Rev. Judy Brain November 20, Outreach & Service Committee November 27, Rev. Dr. Llewellyn Smith December 4, Rev. Dr. Llewellyn Smith December 11, Rev. Dr. Llewellyn Smith December 18, Rev. Dr. Llewellyn Smith December 24, 5 PM Jeanne Westcott, FPC Director of Youth and Children's Ministry December 24, 7 PM Rev. Dr. Llewellyn Smith December 25, Rev. Dr. Llewellyn Smith

The Outreach and Service collection continues Drop at the Church before Worship or at the Chapel.

The Open Door and The Grace Center items needed –

Baking Mixes - Cake, Brownie, Cookie, Muffin, PancakePeanut ButterCanned Tuna, Chicken, and TurkeyHealthy Snack Items100% Juice/Juice BoxesBreakfast CerealHearty SoupsCanned Vegetables and FruitsSpaghetti SauceMacaroni and CheeseRice, Noodles, PastaPet FoodGift Cards from local grocery markets (Shaw's, Stop & Shop, MarketBasket, etc.) so they can purchase butter, cream and other perishablesTroop items for October- Disposable cameras, Writing materialsCalling Cards

Our New Online Prayer Wall - Give it a try!

Request prayers and pray for others through the Prayer Wall on our website. A few of us have given it a "test drive," and we've found it to be a spiritually deepening and enlivening addition to our lives. We feel more connected to the Joys and Concerns of our congregation, and don't have to wait until the Sunday service to hear what's on each other's hearts. And we've been touched to receive notifications every time someone prays for us. <u>https://www.firstparishchurch.org/prayer-wall/</u>

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