



**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, May 28, 10 AM

Prelude Prelude on the Introit for Pentecost – Sean Salomon (1998)

Welcome by Jan Marshall, Deacon

Call to Worship

Leader: The peace of God be with you today.

Receive with joy the gift of the Holy Spirit.

People: We feel the winds of God blowing among us.

We await the empowering tongues of fire.

Leader: How amazing is the power God gives us.

How manifold are the works of our Creator.

**People: We see God's renewing power, in the fresh green leaves,
the May flowers, and the clear blue of the springtime sea.**

Leader: Let the breath of God fill us with confidence.

People: Let the Spirit create new life within and among us.

Leader: God calls us here to be dreamers and prophets.

God will give us a vision for a world of peace, and fellowship.

**People: May we hear the Word, and feel the energizing fire, as we gather to
worship in God's house.**

Amen

Hymn Spirit of the Living God NCH #283

Anthem Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise – melody 'St. Denio', words by
Walter Chalmers Smith
Rebecca Shrimpton, solo

Immortal, invisible, inaccessible, and silent as light. Immortal, invisible, God
only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes; most blessed, most glorious,
the Ancient of Days; almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise! Unresting,
unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above; thy clouds which are fountains
of goodness and love.

To all, life thou givest, in both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree, and wither and perish, but naught changeth thee. Thou reignest in glory, thou dwellest in light; thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all praise we would render, oh, help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee! Immortal, invisible, inaccessible, and silent as light.

Prayer Intentions

Pastoral and Silent Prayers.

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

Meditation Old Time Religion – Anonymous, arr. Luigi Zaninelli (1932)

Rebecca Shrimpton, solo

Gimme that old time religion, gimme that old time religion, gimme that old time religion, it's good enough for me. It was good for our mothers, it was good for our mothers, it was good for our mothers, it's good enough for me. Makes me love ev'rybody, makes me love ev'rybody, makes me love ev'rybody, it's good enough for me. It will do when I'm dying, it will do when I'm dying, it will do when I'm dyin', it's good enough for me. It will take us all to heaven, It will take us all to heaven, It will take us all to heaven, it's good enough for me. Gimme that old time religion, gimme that old time religion, gimme that old time religion, it's good enough for me. It's good enough for me.

Offertory Prayer (Unison)

All: We give our gifts in the Spirit, for the work of the Spirit, in this time and place.

With our tangible gifts we commit to you, O Jesus, the promise of our prayers, our time, our labor for your church.

Multiply our gifts and send them where we cannot go, to do work we cannot even imagine,

to bring your kingdom of love ever nearer.

Amen

Scripture Reading Fran Bachman

Numbers 11:24-30

²⁴ So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. ²⁵ Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

²⁶ Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷ And a young man ran and told Moses, 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' ²⁸ And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, 'My lord Moses, stop them!' ²⁹ But Moses said to him, 'Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!' ³⁰ And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

Acts 2:1-21

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?' ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' ¹³ But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them:
'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen
to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine
o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:
¹⁷ "In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.
¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.
¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Sermon "Radical Spirit" Rev. Teri Motley

Anthem Filled With the Glory! – Don Besig (1936), Nancy 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!

Hymn Sweet, Sweet Spirit NCH #293

Blessing

Closing Song God Bless You and Keep You – Jay Althouse (1951)

God bless you and keep you wherever you may go; His love be a constant companion. God lead you and guide you and be at your side. God bless you and keep you forever.

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

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.

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.

Our Deacon this morning is Jan Marshall.

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

Fair by the Sea? A few church members are brainstorming to bring a Fair by the Sea (lite) back to First Parish, during the Festival by the Sea, Sat., August 5. It would feature a Rummage Sale, the **world-famous Jewelry table**, a Homemade treats table, a Hand Craft table. Other possibilities are vendors who resell vintage wares and a Themed Basket auction. There will be a meeting in early June. If you want to join in - *this strictly for fun event* - look for an email/announcement coming soon or speak to Bethany or Nancy K.

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>

Use the links below to **learn more about First Parish** Church online

Facebook www.facebook.com/FirstParishChurchManchesterMa/

Instagram www.instagram.com/fpcmanchesterbythesea/

Website www.firstparishchurch.org/

YouTube Worship Services

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLUvfURhmsH8lfE13FLaRtWcw-pOTC9T2h>

Our FPCC **Compassion child**, Chepkirwok always needs supporters, [sign up now](#). Questions can be directed to Sue Parker, sueparker33@aol.com.

[Click to read](#) the most recent edition of The **Church Bell Newsletter**.

Thursday Bible Study with Elsa Marshall 4 PM Join in a lively discussion, Thursdays, 4 PM, on Zoom. The link to join is sent each Thursday morning. Questions contact office.fpchurch@gmail.com.

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Manchester Seniors - Drop in for Coffee and Conversation

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!

First Parish Church is **seeking two adults (18 years or older) to staff our Nursery** room during our worship services on Sunday mornings. Applicants must have infant/toddler experience, be willing to secure appropriate CPR certification, and agree to a Criminal Offender Record Information check. The hours are 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM each Sunday and pay is commensurate with experience. For more information, please contact Jeanne Westcott, Director of Youth and Childrens Ministries, First Parish Church, MBTS, at jeanne.fpchurch@gmail.com.

Summer Program announcements:

Breakfast Buddies: Heroic Women of Faith

Designed for a team of an adult and toddler, Breakfast Buddies meets from 8-9:30 each day for one week, July 17 -21. This year we will meet 5 heroic and iconic women from the Bible who played a vital role in the Christian story. Each session features a themed breakfast, three or more activities, an art experience, and a special surprise! The program is free of charge and preregistration is required.

The First Parish Third Annual Art Show, “Simplicity, Serenity and Sanctuary”, will be open for visitors July 23-29 with art being accepted in five age categories, beginning July,15. Submissions can be of any medium and any size. Artists aged 3-199 are encouraged to submit. Art will be judged, and prizes awarded in First and Second place in each category! Get out your crayons and explore the joy creating art can provide!

Our Bible Experiences week, (otherwise known as VBS) will run August 14-18 from 4-7 pm. Dinner will be served to participants ages 6-12, when they register for “Safe and Secure: Dressed In Armor”. Each session will offer story, music, movement, art, mindfulness exercises, games and creative writing. Youth ages 14-16 may apply to attend as junior counselors and adult volunteers are needed. Preregistration is required.

Questions can be sent to Jeanne at jeanne.fpchurch@gmail.com.

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 [here](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C4CABA822A1F49-sunday2)

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or contact Richard Smith at richard.w.smith@gmail.com.

Visiting Nurses Health Clinic, free. Held the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month, 10 - 11:45 AM at First Parish Chapel Hall. Services offered include: health assessments, blood pressure screenings, B12 administration, pulse, heart and lung monitoring, blood sugar screenings for diabetics, medication and diet consults. Drop in. Free and open to all.

Our Online Prayer Wall Give it a try! Request prayers and pray for others through the Prayer Wall on our website. Feel more connected to the Joys and Concerns of our congregation and hear what's on each other's hearts. You will be touched to receive notifications every time someone prays for you. <https://www.firstparishchurch.org/prayer-wall/>

The **Seaside Parish Knitters** meet each 1st and 3rd Thursday (June 1 & 15) of the month at the Chapel, from 1-5 pm. We welcome all 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.

Book Group 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! Book Group meets on the last Monday of the month and hosting is shared among members.

Monday, May 29, 6:30 PM at Mary Ellen Cook’s home, 23 Harold St. Manchester. RSVP to Mary Ellen for planning purposes at 978-500-0018. “Lesson in Chemistry” by Bonnie Garmus will be discussed. Chemist Elizabeth Zott is not your average woman. In fact, Elizabeth Zott would be the first to point out that there is no such thing as an average woman. But it’s the early 1960s and her all-male team at Hastings Research Institute takes a very unscientific view of equality. Except for one: Calvin Evans; the lonely, brilliant, Nobel-prize nominated grudge-holder who falls in love with—of all things—her mind. True chemistry results. But like science, life is unpredictable. Which is why a few years later Elizabeth Zott finds herself not only a single mother, but the reluctant star of America’s most beloved cooking show *Supper at Six*.

Elizabeth's unusual approach to cooking ("combine one tablespoon acetic acid with a pinch of sodium chloride") proves revolutionary. But as her following grows, not everyone is happy. Because as it turns out, Elizabeth Zott isn't just teaching women to cook. She's daring them to change the status quo. Laugh-out-loud funny, shrewdly observant, and studded with a dazzling cast of supporting characters, *Lessons in Chemistry* is as original and vibrant as its protagonist. *goodreads*

Monday, June 26, 6:30 PM at Liz Loomis' home, 34 Bennett St. Manchester. RSVP to Liz for planning purposes at loomisliz@hotmail.com "Horse" by Geraldine Brooks will be discussed. A discarded painting in a junk pile, a skeleton in an attic, and the greatest racehorse in American history: from these strands, a Pulitzer Prize winner braids a sweeping story of spirit, obsession, and injustice across American history. Kentucky, 1850. An enslaved groom named Jarret and a bay foal forge a bond of understanding that will carry the horse to record-setting victories across the South. When the nation erupts in civil war, an itinerant young artist who has made his name on paintings of the racehorse takes up arms for the Union. On a perilous night, he reunites with the stallion and his groom, very far from the glamor of any racetrack.

New York City, 1954, Martha Jackson, a gallery owner celebrated for taking risks on edgy contemporary painters, becomes obsessed with a nineteenth-century equestrian oil painting of mysterious provenance. Washington, DC, 2019. Jess, a Smithsonian scientist from Australia, and Theo, a Nigerian-American art historian, find themselves unexpectedly connected through their shared interest in the horse--one studying the stallion's bones for clues to his power and endurance, the other uncovering the lost history of the unsung Black horsemen who were critical to his racing success. *goodreads*

The Stephen Ministry. The team is currently working closely with the Outreach & Service Committee and the Care Team on this project. There are many ways to participate depending upon your gifts and availability, so if you think you might be interested, email scarh10428@aol.com to receive and email Zoom invitation. If you would like to discuss the program in greater detail, call Linda Crosby at 978-314-1526 or Steve Carhart at 978-407-8454.

The Outreach and Service Collections Continue - 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, Pancake

Peanut Butter

Canned Tuna, Chicken, and Turkey

Healthy Snack Items

100% Juice/Juice Boxes

Breakfast Cereal

Hearty Soups

Spaghetti Sauce

Canned Vegetables and Fruits

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 Needs for May Sunscreen, Foot Powder, Deodorant

The Spring Drive of The Global Refugee Mission of New England

(Runs until June 24)

Assorted Sewing Fabrics and Yarn

Sewing-Knitting Notions:	Needles	Thread	Embroidery thread
Measuring tape	Scissors	Thimble	Straight and Safety pins
Marking pencils	Seam ripper, Etc.		

Art and Educational Supplies:

Paper - Lined and Colored	Scissors	Glue	Pencils, Erasers, Pens
Crayons and Markers	Post-its	Envelopes	Hole punchers, Staplers
Creative art packets, Etc.			

New-Gently used Stuffed Animals and Toys New and Used

Tents New and Used	Sleeping Bags New and Used	Shoes New
Bedding and Blankets		