WELCOME

Whether today is your first time worshipping with us or you are from one of our founding families, we are glad you are here! The First Presbyterian Church of East Hampton is an affirming and welcoming community, always looking for new ways to embody Jesus’ call to love God and our neighbors in this community and throughout the world. We’d love for you to be part of our future, continuing Jesus Christ’s earthly ministry of building God’s Kingdom.

Sharing the Light of Christ for 370 Years

Visiting with Children?

* **Activity materials** for young worshipers are located behind the last pew at the center aisle.
* **Infant and child care** is provided during the service upstairs from the narthex (lobby). We also invite you to keep your child with you in the sanctuary.
* **Restrooms:** Please accompany children (under age 10) to the restrooms. The restrooms are located by each side entrance, in the narthex.

Special Needs?

* **Earphones** and **large print hymnals** are available from the ushers.
* **Feel free to ask** ushers for any assistance that you might need.

Please Come Again

* **Sunday Worship** is always at 10:00. We celebrate the **Lord’s Supper** on the first Sunday of each month.
* **Sunday School** gathers after the Children’s Message, so children age 3 – grade 5 join us for the beginning of each worship service.
* **Youth Group** (grades 6-12) meets most Sunday evenings at 5:00 during the school year. Ask Pastor Scot for more information.

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF EAST HAMPTON

Celebration of the Lord’s Day
January 13, 2019

Baptism of the Lord

Gathering in God’s Name

Welcoming the Light of Christ

Take me to the water to be baptized.

Welcome and Parish Concerns

Prelude

*Call to Worship (Isaiah 43, Luke 3)

Leader: Come to the river of life.

People: Listen for the words of love.

Leader: Come to the waters of grace.

People: Receive the gift of acceptance.

Leader: Come to the river of love,

People: For all are welcome here.

*Opening Prayer (Isaiah 43, Luke 3)

*Hymn #492 Baptized in Water Gaelic melody

Confession and Pardon (unison)

We know what it is like to be singed by the flames of our lives, Holy God. We look for ourselves in all the wrong places – success, power, adulation. We carve our names in the granite walls of work, hoping we will be remembered when we are gone. We have gone through the waters of baptism, but live as if they have not changed us. Forgive us and remind us that our failures do not cause you to quit loving us, for you continue to claim us, gathering us up in your compassionate arms. In our baptism, we discover not the end, but the first step of our journey with Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Silent Confession

Kyrie

O Lord, Have Mercy

Orí pariágú verekó

Lord, have mercy, have mercy on us.

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Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: God’s words of comfort and restoration are more powerful than any foolishness, any mistakes, any sins we commit. This is the Good News: we are God’s people!

People: Thanks be to God! By water and Word, by the Spirit of God’s redeeming grace, we are marked and sealed as God’s beloved children. Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

*Gloria

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Paul M. Vasile

Proclaiming God’s Word

Children’s Message

Prayer for Illumination (Luke 3)

Scripture Reading

Old Testament Isaiah 43:1-7  (OT Page 672)

New Testament Acts 8:14-17  (NT Page 126)

Gospel Luke 3:15-17, 21-22  (NT Page 60)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon Reservoir Pastor Scot

Responding to God with Thanksgiving

*Hymn #361 How Firm a Foundation  American folk melody

This Week’s Calendar

Today, Jan 13
10:00 am Worship and Sunday School
11:00 am Handbell rehearsal, Sanctuary

Monday, Jan 14 (office closed)
12:30 pm Al-ANON, Session House

Tuesday, Jan 15
7:30 am Men’s Club, John Papas Café
1:00 pm Prayer Shawl at M. Siska’s house

Wednesday, Jan 16
1:00 pm Book Club, Session House
5:00 pm Y12SR Yoga class, Session House
6:00 pm Deacon Meeting

Thursday, Jan 17
12:15 pm Noon Bible Study, Session House
12:30 pm Al Anon, downstairs
4:00 pm Worship Committee Meeting
7:00 pm Deacon Meeting
7:00 pm Chancel choir rehearsal

Sunday, Jan 20
10:00 am Worship and Sunday School

Ongoing Community Outreach

LAUNDRY LOVE helps people who are struggling financially by assisting them with doing their laundry. You can put coins or cash in the labeled container in the Narthex or a check in the morning offering with “Laundry Love” on the memo line.

EAST HAMPTON FOOD PANTRY serves our community by collecting food and distributing it to those in need. You can donate food here at the church by placing non-perishable food in the box in the narthex. Find out more at easthamptonfoodpantry.org Our food pantry item of the week is Canned soup

Y12SR (Yoga 12-Step Recovery) is a weekly addiction recovery program integrating the practical tools of 12-step programs with the meditative practice of yoga. A local Y12SR group meets with a certified instructor in the Session House each Wednesday at 5pm.

AL-ANON is a worldwide anonymous fellowship offering a program of recovery for friends and families of alcoholics. Al-Anon meets in the Session House, Mondays & Thursdays at 12:30 pm.

Pastors Emeriti

The Rev. Dr. John Ames
The Rev. Dr. Fred Schulz
Service of Ordination and Installation

Litany
Pastor: There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.
People: There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same Lord who is served.
Pastor: God works through each person in a unique way, but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.
People: To each is given a gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good.
All: Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.

Statement on Ordination and Installation

Presentation of the Candidates
Constitutional Questions
Questions to the Congregation
Prayer of Ordination
Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Welcome

*Affirmation of Faith – adapted from The Confession of 1967 (9.51)
By humble submission to John's baptism, Christ joined himself to humans in their need and entered upon his ministry of reconciliation in the power of the Spirit. Christian baptism marks the receiving of the same Spirit by all his people. Baptism with water represents not only cleansing from sin but a dying with Christ and a joyful rising with him to new life. It commits all Christians to die each day to sin and to live for righteousness. In baptism the church celebrates the renewal of the covenant with which God has bound God's people to God's self. Amen.

Prayers of the People and 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Choral Prayer Response
Rain down your love on your people. Rain down your love, God of life.

Tithes and Offerings – Visitor and Prayer Cards may also be placed in the collection boxes
Unceasing Prayer s

You may make prayer requests using a "Request for Prayer" pew card or by contacting Pastor Scot directly. Unless otherwise requested, names will be included on this prayer list for four weeks. Requests can always be renewed.

Trusting that God knows each person and need, please hold in your prayers:

Jean Symer Virginia Backlund Ellen Halsey Paul Vogel Robert Fariel Rick Bock The family of Robert Stone, Sr.

Parish News

2019 OFFERING ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEx THIS SUNDAY. Don’t forget to pick yours up and bring it home. Look for your name on the boxes. If you do not have an envelope box and wish to receive one or want your box to be held until a future date, please contact Christine at the church office.

YOUTH SERVICES OPPORTUNITY PROJECT / MISSION TRIP TO NEW YORK CITY - For the confirmands who have signed up for the YSOP trip on March 29-30, please fill out the YSOP Student Registration Form that was emailed to your parents and bring it to confirmation class along with a check for $115 made out to the First Presbyterian Church of East Hampton. In order to process the paperwork, we need to receive all of the forms and payments by the end of January.

BOOK CLUB will meet this Wednesday, January 16th at 1:00 pm in the Session House. We will be discussing Bel Canto by Ann Pachett.

BROWN BAG BIBLE STUDY, Thursday at 12:15 pm. This month we will be studying the last four books of the Old Testament: Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, and Malachi.

PRAYER BEADS have been around since the early Christians went into the desert to seek solitude and to be closer to God, concentrating on “praying continually.” They would keep track of their prayers or recitations of Psalms with stones, which soon changed to knots on a prayer belt, and gradually evolved to beads. In the 1980s the idea of Protestant prayer beads first resurfaced in the Episcopal Church, but today many other denominations have discovered the benefit of having something tactile and visually pleasing to either hold or to help keep track of who or what they are praying for. Encouraging prayers of praise, petition, intercession, and thanksgiving with these four areas incorporated into the circle of beads, they are a sensory reminder of our open relationship with God. At this workshop we will make our own set of prayer beads and have some quiet time to pray with them. Cost for supplies is $10.

Greetings to the new officers being Installed

Class of 2021

Elders
Lee Andrews
David Filer
Michelle Grant
Aleaze Hodgens

Deacons
Carol Kluge
Jane Kiembock
Christine Martin
Paul Vogel
Madeleine Lockwood