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**: We love having kids of all ages in worship. If you do need to take your child out during the service, a room with rocking chair, changing table, and toys is upstairs from the narthex (lobby). We invite you to return with your child whenever you choose to.

* **Restrooms**: Please accompany children (under age 10) to the restrooms, which 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.

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THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF EAST HAMPTON
Celebration of the Lord’s Day
May 26, 2019
Sixth Sunday of Easter

Gathering in God’s Name

Worshiping the Light of Christ
Speak out with a voice of joy; let it be heard to the ends of the earth. The Lord has set his people free. **Alleluia**

Welcome and Parish Concerns

Prelude

* **Call to Worship** *(Acts 16, John 14)*

  **Leader**: Listen to the voice that shouts: **People**: God’s dwelling is with us now.

  **Leader**: In work and in play, **People**: God makes a home with us.

  **Leader**: In sorrow and celebration, **People**: God makes a home with us.

  **Leader**: Lift your voices to this news: **People**: God’s dwelling is with us now!

* **Opening Prayer** *(Acts 16, John 14)*

* Hymn #375 **(purple)** Shall We Gather at the River **Robert Lawry**

Confession and Pardon (unison) *(John 14)*

**Loving God, we confess that we are an anxious people who deny your blessing and fail to keep your word. Forgive us, we pray, for these and all our sins, that we might live in peace and reflect your love in the world; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

Silent Confession

**Kyrie** *(Hymn 551, purple)* **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Assurance of Pardon *(John 14)*

* **Passing of the Peace** *(John 14)*

* **Gloria** *(Hymn 582, purple)* **Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me** **Paul M. Vasile**

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. **Amen**

World without end, without end. **Amen**. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. **Amen**.
Proclaiming God’s Word

Children’s Message
Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Psalter Psalm 67 (OT Page 529)
Gospel John 5:1-9 (NT Page 96)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon One Welcome at a Time Pastor Scot

Responding to God with Thanksgiving

*Hymn #265 (purple) Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun attr. John Hatton

*Affirmation of Faith – adapted from The Confession of 1967 (9.15-9.17)

God’s sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of the human mind. The power of God’s love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of divine love. God has created the world of space and time to be the sphere of God’s dealings with humanity. In its beauty and vastness, sublimity and awfulness, order and disorder, the world reflects to the eye of faith the majesty and mystery of its Creator. God created humans in a personal relation with Godself that all people may respond to the love of the Creator.

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 O My God and King and Savior, I will bless you every day, you are great beyond all telling yet will listen when I pray.

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

Chancel Choir Offertory

*Doxology (Hymn 606, purple) Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Old Hundredth
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

This Week’s Calendar

Today, May 26
10:00 am Worship and Sunday School
Coffee Hour

Monday, May 27 (office closed)
12:30 pm Al-Anon, Session House
7:30 am Men’s Club, John Papas Café
1:00 pm Knitting group, M. Skara’s House
5:00 pm Y12SR Yoga class, Session House

Tuesday, May 28
12:30 pm Al Anon, downtown
5:00 pm Acoustic Song Sharing
7:00 pm Chancel choir rehearsal

Saturday, June 1
12:00 pm Springs Day

Sunday, June 2
10:00 am Youth Sunday – Lead Service and Get Confirmed!
Sunday School

Ongoing Community Outreach

MAUREEN’S HAVEN brings a variety of organizations and houses of worship together to provide safe, warm temporary shelter to homeless individuals from November through March. Headquartered in Riverhead, Maureen’s Haven serves the entire East End and regularly provides shelter here in East Hampton. First Presbyterian provides ongoing food and financial support to their programs. Find out more at www.maureenshaven.com or on their Facebook page.

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.

EASTHAMPTON 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. This week’s item of the week to bring in next Sunday is canned soup.

Y12SR (Yoga 12-Step Recovery) is a weekly program that serves people recovering from all manifestations of addiction, from behavioral addictions to substance abuse - creating a safe place on the mat where trauma can be released. A local Y12SR group meets with a certified instructor in the Session House each Tuesday 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.
Going Forth in God’s Name

*Hymn #338 (purple) O Beautiful for Spacious Skies Samuel Augustus Ward
*Charge, Benediction, and Response (#601) (purple) Amen Danish Amen
*Taking the Light of Christ into the World

Postlude

PARISH CONCERNS

WORSHIP LEADERS
The Reverend Scot McCachren, Pastor
Jane Hastay, Music Director
Donald Smith, Lay Reader
Chancel Choir & Handbell Choir

ELDER OF THE MONTH
Donald Smith

DEACON OF THE MONTH
Linda Brown

FLOWERS on the communion table are given to the Glory of God from the Deacon’s Flower Fund. To offer flowers in memory or honor of a loved one, contact Summer Borsack, (631) 903-0778 or summerborsack@gmail.com

Unceasing Prayer
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... Newt Mott Wes Home Mary Ella Moeller Lynne Lester Demetrio Lemus Ken Rafferty and his family Joyce Walker

No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. John 15:13

Parish Concerns

MUSIC ON THE PORCH returns today after church. Grab some coffee and refreshments provided by the Fellowship Committee, then join us in the front yard for a return to our popular summertime Music on the Porch offerings. The musicians performing are Job Potter & Friends.

CELEBRATE SPRING’S DAY – JUNE 1 on the grounds of the Springs Presbyterian Church from 12:00 noon – 4 pm (rain or shine). It supports the church’s SOS: Save Our Steeple campaign. There will be crafts and other activities for families. Cost is $10/child.

NEXT WEEK, JUNE 2, IS YOUTH SUNDAY! This is one Sunday you don’t want to miss. Our youth will be leading most parts of the worship service and the congregation will officially receive our confirmands as new members!

MEMORIAL FOR DEACON MATTHEW LESTER following church on June 9, the Deacons will dedicate a plaque and a holly bush on the church property. A coffee hour and light luncheon will also be provided. If you would like to contribute food, contact any Deacon.

CALL FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS for the Ann Bluedorn Book Scholarship and the Backlund Scholarship Fund! Scholarships are available for current high school seniors and college students. Download forms from our website, www.fpceh.org/scholarships, or contact the church office. Deadline for completed applications is July 1.

MEN’S BREAKFAST is at 7:30 every Tuesday, at John Papas Café. Join the men of First Presbyterian for a casual breakfast and interesting conversations. New participants are always welcome and it’s a great way to make new friends and get to know our church family better.

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