**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.

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**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.
- **Infants and children:** 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 and space to change a diaper is upstairs above the narthex. 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 several Sundays each month around noon during the school year. Ask Pastor Scot for more information.

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**Gathering in God’s Name**

**Prelude**

Welcome and Parish Concerns

Voluntary

*Call to Worship (Isaiah 60)*

- **Leader:** Arise, shine! Your light has come.
- **People:** The glory of the Lord shines like the sun.
- **Leader:** Behold, the nations have come to witness God’s light.
- **People:** Kings have come to behold Christ's brightness.
- **Leader:** Lift up your eyes and look around.
- **People:** The glory of the Lord is all around.
- **Leader:** Arise, shine! Your light has come.

*Hymn #265 (purple) Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

Attr. John Hatton

Confession and Pardon (unison) (Matthew 2)

_Eternal God, following only a star in the sky, kings of old left their families and their lands to find a child whose birth was so profound, it was proclaimed in the heavens above. When we would rather sit comfortably in our homes than make spiritual pilgrimages of our own, clothe our feet of clay in walking shoes and send us on our way. At this season of light, help us shine your light in the darkness to honor the King of kings. Open our shut-up hearts to those in need, that the gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh might not be the last gifts offered to the one who brings light into our lives. Amen._

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon (Matthew 2, Ephesians 3)

*Passing the Peace of Christ (Matthew 2)*

*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._

* Please stand if you are able
Proclaiming God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination 
(Matthew 2)

Scripture Reading
Old Testament 
Jeremiah 31:7-14 
(OT Page 734)
Epistle 
Ephesians 1:3-14 
(NT Page 192)
Gospel 
John 1:1-18 
(NT Page 91)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon 
Responding to God with Thanksgiving
Pastor Scot

*Hymn #744 (purple) 
Arise, Your Light Is Come! 
William H. Walter

*Affirmation of Faith – adapted from the Confession of Belhar (10.5)

We believe that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker, that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth, in which righteousness dwells. 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.

Prayer Response 
*Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

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

Offertory 
Come to the Table 
Allen Pote

*Docology (Hymn 606, purple) 
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow 
Genevan Psalter

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

*Prayer of Dedication (Psalm 72)

Sacrament of Communion
Invitation to the Lord’s Table
Great Prayer of Thanksgiving
Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Pastor: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.
Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Parish Happenings

Movie Night for All Ages!
Join us this Friday, January 10, at 6:30 in the Session House, for the first of many movie nights, planned by your Fellowship Committee. “Inside Out” is a beautiful story about growing up and learning to handle big feelings. It’s rated for everyone ages 6 and above – perfect for families as well as all adults. We’ll have popcorn, soda, and other snacks – then a pizza dinner after the movie (freewill basket to help cover the pizza). This is an excellent way for the children of First Presbyterian to enjoy fellowship with older members and develop loving memories of their church.

Men’s Club Weekly Breakfast at John Papas each Tuesday morning at 7:30 to share breakfast and a time of fellowship together. Come on out and enjoy some good food, good coffee, and good conversation!

Brown Bag Bible Study returns this Thursday at 12:15 in the Parish House. We are still early in our study of Genesis, so you can pick right up with us.

EASTHAMPTON FOOD PANTRY serves our community by collecting food and distributing it to those in need. This week’s item of the week to bring in next Sunday is canned soup.

Have You Considered Joining Our Church?
Pastor Scot will hold an Inquirer’s Class in the Session House after worship on Sunday, February 2. Learn about First Presbyterian, the PC(USA), and how we might be a fit for you. We’d love for you to join us! If interested, please talk to Pastor Scot or sign up by contacting the church office at (631) 324-0711 or fpcsecy@optonline.net.

Office Hours: Weekdays (except closed Wednesdays), 8:00 – 1:00
Pastors Emeriti
The Rev. Dr. John Ames
The Rev. Dr. Fred Schulz
Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Sung Response... (Music for Response, #552 purple)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. 
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the Highest.

The pastor continues… Great is the mystery of faith.

Sung Response... (Music for Response, #553 purple)
Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again. (repeat)

The pastor continues… Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever:

Sung Response... (Music for Response, #554 purple)

Amen, amen, amen.

Words of Institution
Sharing the Bread and Cup
To signify our oneness in Christ, please hold the bread until everyone has been served.
You may drink the cup as soon as you receive it, indicating your individual relationship with Christ.

Communion Prayer
(Litanies and Chants)
Loving and gracious God, from east and west, from north and south, you have gathered us at your table, called us your beloved, and fed us from your body. Transform us to be your body in the world, and fortify us by your Spirit, so that we may serve you and our neighbors with great joy. Amen.

Going Forth in God's Name

*Hymn #150 (purple) As With Gladness Men of Old
Conrad Kocher

*Charge, Benediction, and Response (#601) (purple) Amen
Danish Amen

Postlude

The one who is the true light, who gives light to everyone, was coming into the world.

- John 1:9 (NLT) -