

First Parish Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
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June 18, 2017 Second Sunday after Pentecost



ALL ARE WELCOME

*“Friend, you enter this church not as a stranger, but as a guest of God.
Come, then, with joy in your heart and thanks upon your lips,
and offer God today your love and your service.”*

(Adapted from a 12th Century Church in Hampshire, England)

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First Parish Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, is a community of faith built upon a firm foundation of worship, prayer and education. In affirming diversity, we are dedicated to welcoming all people who seek the Word of God, Christian fellowship and service to others. In partnership with Christ and led by the Holy Spirit, we reach out to the ever-widening community through active and loving ministry.

WELCOME TO ALL OF GOD'S CHILDREN

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS; SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS

WE GATHER INTO THE PRESENCE OF GOD

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Let anyone who thirsts come to Christ.

All: The Spirit comes like a flowing stream.

One: God's Spirit is for young and old, rich and poor.

All: Men and women, slave and free, receive God's gift.

One: This is the day for a new Pentecost

All: How amazing is the Spirit of God!

*HYMN # 59 - Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

*INVOCATION

Come to us out of the clouds of our doubt and inattention, Holy God. Speak to us in ways that reach deep into our consciousness. Let your Spirit rest on us, creating excitement and anticipation, empowering us to speak and act as your representatives. May your glory fill this place. Amen.

*SONG OF PRAISE #756

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

WE INVITE FORWARD GOD'S YOUNGER DISCIPLES

At this time, all children are invited to come forward for the children's offering, and children's time. An offering is not required for participation. All are welcome, especially first time visitors.

CHILDREN'S OFFERING

"I'm Gonna Sing When the Spirit Says Sing"

I'm gonna sing when the Spirit says sing (3X)

And obey the Spirit of the Lord

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Sarah Keller

PRESENTATION OF SHAWLS TO HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory forever. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM of Zachary Thomas McDonald

When invited by the Pastor please stand as you are able and let us unite with the church in all times and places in confessing our faith in the triune God.

PASTOR: Do you believe in God?

PEOPLE: I believe in God.

PASTOR: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

PEOPLE: I believe in Jesus Christ.

PASTOR: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

PEOPLE: I believe in the Holy Spirit.

(Congregation may sit at this time.)

*HYMN# 63 - Holy Spirit, Truth Divine

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD FOR US

OLD TESTAMENT	Jeremiah 31:31-34	(O.T. p.817)
NEW TESTAMENT	John 15:26-16:7; 12-15	(N.T. p.114)
SERMON: "Love, Joy, Peace- to Name a Few"	The Rev. Dr. Deborah Roof	
CHOIR ANTHEM	"Joyful Psalm of Praise"	Joseph Martin

WE RESPOND WITH PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE

WE RESPOND WITH OUR FINANCIAL GIFTS

OFFERTORY INVITATION

As God has filled our lives with good things, let us open our hands to help others. Our gifts may provide for some the basic physical necessities, for other the depth of meaning to be found in a trusting relationship with God. Even more, we shall know the joy of giving.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

*DOXOLOGY #785

**We give you but your own, whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is yours alone, we give it gratefully.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

God of wind and fire, blow through our sharing a sense of empowerment, both for us and for all who are reached through our offerings. Set us ablaze with eagerness to hear and respond to the message you want us to carry into all the world. May many lives be touched and renewed today and throughout this season. Amen.

WE GO OUT TO LOVE AND SERVE A LOVING, SERVING GOD

***HYMN #282 - Every Time I Feel the Spirit**

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

POSTLUDE (Please remain seated until the postlude has concluded.)

**Indicates all that are able may stand.*

MINISTERS OF THE CHURCH

DEACONS OF THE MONTH

Cindy Pingree and Reni Harnden

LAY READER

Cyndi Gray

USHERS

Becky Fleury, Verna Elwell, Sue Hunt and Michael Bryan

GREETER(s)

Beth Hunter

SENIOR PASTOR AND TEACHER

The Rev. Dr. Deborah Roof

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Susan Handy

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DIRECTOR

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