"One could do much with hate, but even more with love." – William Shakespeare

THE FIRST PARISH CHURCH IN WESTON, U.U. Weston, Massachusetts *Gathered in 1698* ORDER OF SERVICE for STREAMED WORSHIP January 24, 2021 A.D. Third Sunday after Epiphany

Join us for our Sunday Service on Vimeo.com: https://vimeo.com/user/113463486/folder/1903672

We invite you to join us on Zoom for a time of fellowship following the service. https://uuma.zoom.us/j/98603358957 Meeting ID: 986 0335 8957

(Please note: Updated login information scheduled to remain in effect until the end of June.)

PRELUDE: "Deck Thyself, Beloved Soul, With Gladness," Johannes Brahms (1833-1897) "Praise to the Lord, The Almighty, the King of Creation," Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748)

OPENING WORDS

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

HYMN: "O Come, You Longing Thirsty Souls"

O come, you longing thirsty souls, drink freely from the spring. And come, you weary, famished folk, and end your hungering. Why spend yourself on empty air? Why not be satisfied? For everywhere a feast is spread that's always at our side.

For as the rain and snow above fall not in vanity, but for this purpose water earth: to feed humanity. So shall the word of spirit serve as seed within our loam, that we may bear so rich a yield as brings the harvest home.

For we shall go in peace secure and leave in joy sublime! The hills outside will burst with song, the trees will clap in time! No more shall thorns and nettles grow! The bay tree and the pine shall sign for us th'eternal Name that makes the world a shrine.

LIGHTING OF THE CHALICE: Dick and Kathy Floyd

VIRTUAL EXCHANGE OF PEACE

TIME FOR ALL AGES

READING: Psalm 42 Deep Calls to Deep

MUSIC MEDITATION

READING: "I Call That Church Free" by James Luther Adams

ANTHEM: "Ich will den Herren lobe allezeit," Heinrich Schütz (1585-1672) ("I will praise the Lord forever") Rose Hegele, soprano soloist

REFLECTION: Rev. Jeff Barz-Snell

MUSIC MEDITATION

REFLECTION: Rev. Sarah Napoline

PASTORAL PRAYER, FOLLOWED BY 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 for ever and ever. Amen.

OFFERTORY: "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring," J. S. Bach (1685-1750) FPCW Virtual Quartet

INVITATION

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: Sonata No 2 – IV Fuga: Allegro moderato, Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

First Parish Church has long welcomed people with different perspectives, backgrounds and orientations. While we currently pursue formally becoming a Welcoming Congregation, we happily welcome all people as part of our 21st century community and church. STAFF

Minister: Asst. Minister of Families & Community Outreach: Organist: Choir Director: Parish Administrator: Sexton: Video Production Staff: Rev. Jeffrey Barz-Snell Rev. Sarah Napoline Geoffrey Wieting William C. Sano Betsy Gibson Alan Flynn Jacob Barz-Snell Jonah Barz-Snell Max Hall Laurel Kulow Benjamin Doyle Rose Hegele Christopher Humbert TJ Rufo-Curran

Choir Soloists:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

KNITTERS & STITCHERS – Join us virtually on Zoom on Mondays at noon. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86829200151: Meeting ID: 8682 9200 151

WEEKLY WEDNESDAY MORNING MEDITATION AT 8:30 AM – Join us on Zoom; go to: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83090765817; Meeting ID: 8309 0765 817

JANUARY BRISTOL LODGE SUPPER – Please contact Mary Menino (mary.menino@gmail.com) if you can provide baked pork tenderloin, smashed red potatoes, frozen peas, or cookies/bars for our next supper on Wednesday, Jan. 27, or help with preparations in the FPCW kitchen from 1:30-3:15 pm). Recipe links are in this week's e-Parish Post or contact Betsy Gibson in the Church Office.

PASTOR'S CHAT & PODCAST DISCUSSION – Thursday, Jan. 28, at 4:00 pm. Join Jeff on Zoom: https://uuma.zoom.us/j/95816202845; Meeting ID: 9581 6202 845

Annual Budget Hearing

Next Sunday, Jan. 31, following the Sunday service. Zoom login information will be sent out with a special Constant Contact mailing on Thursday, Jan. 28, that will include a link to a PDF version of News & Views, which will contain the proposed budget and the Nominating Committee's slate of officers and committee members that will be voted on during the Congregational Annual Meeting on Sunday, Feb. 7, after the Sunday service.

Today . . . A Zoom-based presentation with MA Senator Michael Barrett, followed by moderated Q & A Sunday, Jan. 24, 2021 – 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Sponsored by the MetroWest Climate Solutions Group

Senator Barrett will provide an update on recent climate legislation

Register at:

https://tinyurl.com/MassClimate Update

or copy/paste into your browser:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/climate-update-with-sen-michael-barrett-tickets-136200101169?aff=affiliate