*More progress is made by attacking problems than by attacking people.* ~ Harry Scholefield

THE FIRST PARISH CHURCH IN WESTON, U.U. Weston, Massachusetts *Gathered in 1698* ORDER OF SERVICE for STREAMED WORSHIP January 31, 2021 A.D. at 10:30 am Fourth Sunday after Epiphany Budget Hearing Sunday

Join us for our Sunday Service at 10:30 am on Vimeo.com: https://vimeo.com/showcase/8015409

We encourage everyone to join us for: a time of fellowship at 11:30 am, followed by the Annual Budget Hearing at 11:45 am using the same Zoom login https://uuma.zoom.us/j/98603358957 Meeting ID: 986 0335 8957

PRELUDE: Tablature-Book: The Our Father (40 settings) #2 Fantasy "For those not well served by lengthy fugues" Johann Ulrich Steigleder (1593-1635)

**OPENING WORDS** 

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

HYMN: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the God of creation! Sing, my soul, praising the source of thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, now to God's temple draw near; join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who doth proper thy work and defend thee; surely great goodness and mercy here daily attend thee. Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, who with great love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the God of creation! All that hath life and breath, sing out thy heart's jubilation! Let the Amen sound from God's people again' joining in glad adoration.

LIGHTING OF THE CHALICE: Herb & Leila Hooper

## TIME FOR ALL AGES

MUSIC MEDITATION

READING: Psalm 90: 1-12

ANTHEM: "Sicillienne" from *Péleas et Mélisande* – Gabrielle Fauré (1845-1924) Mary Menino, flute; Geoffrey Wieting, keyboard

SERMON: "Caring, Praying, Connecting, Serving" - Rev. Jeff Barz-Snell

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 Choir

INVITATION

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "Prelude in C Major" – Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

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

## **ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

Next Sunday, Feb. 7, following the Sunday service. The News & Views with staff and committee annual reports, the Nominating Committee's slate of officers and committees to be voted, and the proposed budget for 2021 to be voted was emailed out to parishioners on Thursday, Jan. 28. If you need a copy, please contact Betsy Gibson in the Church Office (781.893.7798).

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

SENIOR MEN'S LUNCH – Join Jeff and others on Zoom on Tuesday, Feb. 2, at noon for an hour or so of good conversation.

https://uuma.us/j/963 2983 087: Meeting ID: 963 2983 0871

- PASTOR'S CHAT & PODCAST DISCUSSION Thursday, Feb. 4, at 4:00 pm. Join Jeff on Zoom: https://uuma.zoom.us/j/95816202845; Meeting ID: 9581 6202 845
- CELEBRATE VALENTINE'S DAY! For Valentine's Day, CAMP is coordinating a secret Valentine's Day exchange we're calling "Secret Sweeties." If you signup for the exchange you will be provided the name and address of another First Parishioner to send the Valentine AND you will secretly receive a Valentine! If you prefer to only give or only receive, you can do that too! Suggestions for Valentines include a chocolate treat, flowers or other small gift (\$15 or less). Please click the link below for more details and to signup!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040b44aea62ca13-secret

UU MULTIRACIAL UNITY ACTION COUNCIL PROGRAM: The Struggle for Unitarian Universalism: Defending Our Seven Principles. A virtual event, for UUMUAC members **and others** who are concerned about defending our U.U. Principles, held using Zoom technology, on Saturday, Feb. 6, from 3:00-5:00 pm. Click the link below for more details.

## https://firstparishweston.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/UUMUAC-conversation-020621.pdf

FPCW BOOK GROUP\_- Our next gathering on Zoom will be Thursday, Feb. 18, at 9:30 am.We'll be discussing *Infidel* by Ayaan Hirsi Ali. Zoom link to follow in e-Parish Post for Sunday, Feb. 10, or contact Betsy Gibson in the Church Office to be added to the Book Group mailing list.