



First Presbyterian Church

New Haven, Connecticut

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 24, 2018

9:30 a.m.

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

Prelude

Three Spirituals
(Go Down, Moses; Here's One; Honor, Honor!)

Introit

Somebody's Knockin' at Your Door
Bruce Peabody, solo

Spiritual

Call to Worship

The Earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world and those who live in it;

For God has founded it on the seas and established it on the rivers.

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in this holy place?

**Those who have hands and hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false,
and will be glad to sing God's praise.**

Come, let us worship God!

*Hymn 386

Come, Worship God

O QUANTA QUALIA

Call to Reconciliation

Silence is kept.

Prayer of Confession

**Holy God, sometimes our lives have such little focus: we have so much to do;
we possess so much stuff; we are driven by the need for still more – and it easily
seems to control us. Forgive us, O God, for how distracted we have become and
for losing our way without even realizing it. Forgive us and help us to know that
you are God and you supply our every need. Through Christ we pray. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

..... And freed through such grace, Jesus goes on to say, "Follow me." Friends, believe the good news.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

*Song of Praise

Let All Things Now Living

THE ASH GROVE

*The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

(Before sitting, please greet those around you with words of Christ's peace.)

Words of Welcome

Please sign the black friendship pad and pass to others in your row.
Children are welcome to participate in the Children in Worship program.

Response

Bind Us Together

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Affirmation of Faith

from A Brief Statement of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

HEARING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson

2 Corinthians 6: 1-13

Second Lesson

Mark 4: 35-41

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Who Is This?

The Rev. J. C. Cadwallader

*Hymn 818

By Gracious Powers

INTERCESSOR

The Offering

Offertory

Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child

Spiritual, arr. Heath

Bruce Peabody, solo

*Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

With a steady foot, Jesus calmed the storm so that none would perish. As the world cries out, may these gifts of time, talent and treasure be used to ensure the flourishing of all of God's children. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

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.

*Hymn 840 *When Peace like a River* VILLE DU HAVRE

* Benediction

Postlude *Every Time I Feel the Spirit* Spiritual

*Those who prefer to do so may remain seated.



Welcome to the First Presbyterian Church of New Haven. We are glad you are here. We seek to be a warm and welcoming community of Christian people. If you are new to this congregation, please introduce yourself to others sitting around you, and to the pastor, so that we may welcome you personally. During the Words of Welcome, add your name to the Friendship Pad. Please plan to stay for the Friendship Hour following the service.

Participating in worship leadership this morning are:

Liturgist: Jim Whitney
Ushers: Robert Williams,
Friendship Hour Hosts:

Nursery care is provided each morning in the Owens Community Building nursery. Infants and children are also welcome in the service and encouraged to participate fully in worship. A rocking chair is available next door in the Copeland Room, and bulletins for ages 3-6 and 7-12 are found at the entrance.

The Reverend J.C. Cadwallader may be reached at her email: PastorJC@fpcnh.org or the church phone (203) 562-5664. Mondays are her day off.

Volunteers needed to Usher and Host Friendship Hour this summer! New sign up sheets are posted and we do need your help to fill the many summer Sundays open; these are easy tasks which make our church a welcoming place. Team up with an old friend or someone new! Written instructions are provided.

Food Donations for Needy: First Pres collects food year-round since there are hungry people year-round. Pick up an extra item at the grocery store to help fill the green wheelbarrow in the Copeland Room. At the end of each month the food is delivered to Christian Community Action's emergency food pantry.

 **Weekly Update on Becoming a Sanctuary Church:** This week, the furniture in the apartment was rearranged and now the space for a guest is prepared and ready. Communication systems and volunteer registrations have been set up and we are ready to engage them. We await our guest - even while we pray our sanctuary will not be needed. If you would like to help, please go to this web address (<https://firstpresnewhaven.breezechms.com/form/892647>) to complete our Volunteer Registration form. Members of the Sanctuary Coordinating Team will then be in touch to follow up. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask members of the team by emailing sanctuary@fpcnh.org.

Teacher Training on Summer Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.: Free Workshops open to all interested adults and youth who teach or who may consider taking teaching positions in the future, whether at First Pres or elsewhere. The topic for June 26th will be "Listening and Following Directions." Contact Kimberley (kimberley@fpcnh.org) for more information.

Friendship Bracelet Fridays 4-5 p.m.: During June and July Fridays, join with friends to craft Friendship Bracelets, as part of our "Open and Affirming" ministry. Each gathering will include an educational component on a specific topic to expand compassionate understanding within and of the varied LGBTQ+ community. Meet on the front lawn (weather permitting) or in the Owens Community Building. Contact Kimberley (kimberley@fpcnh.org) for more information.

Property Clean-up this Wednesday, June 27, starting at 5:00 p.m.: The summer solstice is here and our days are long. After work on Wednesday come on over to the church to help tidy up the property. People of all ages and abilities are welcome. Dinner will be provided.

Ukulele Tuesdays are Back! On Tuesday afternoons from 5-6:00 p.m. in June and July, you will find Kimberley in the Community Building ready to show you the joy of playing a ukulele. Informal classes will review basics skills along with techniques to build toward playing full songs. Bring a ukulele if you have one, but an instrument and prior knowledge are not required. This lesson series is open to all ages and skill levels.

Columbus House Homeless Shelter: We still need some people to step up to bat and host/serve the first Saturday in August at the homeless shelter. It only takes a couple hours of your time so please consider helping out to serve the homeless clients. Dinner is at 5:30 p.m., giving you plenty of time for evening activities. See Pat Wales after worship or e-mail her for more information. Many thanks!

Summer Inkling Deadline is this Tuesday at mid-day. Submit your notices and articles to the church office at firstpresbyterianchurch@gmail.com

In nothing be anxious; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. (Philippians 4:6)

When you pray, offer prayers for ...

Our country and its leaders.

Church members and friends who seek God's healing grace, including Ken Haynam, at Benchmark Senior Living in Hamden.

Jeff Miller, David Miller's brother, who is recovering from surgery.

Kathy Milligan, who is recovering at home.

Louisa Cunningham, a friend of Caty Poole, who is ill.

Molly Myers, a friend of the Latham family.

Jean Struble, Joan Wells' sister-in-law, who is ill.

Those who mourn or are victims of gun violence.

People who are homeless.

Prayers for our immigrant friends in local sanctuary churches, and for their families.

James Smit, who is serving in the armed forces.

Those who are unable to worship with us on a regular basis.

Prayers for other people and situations in need of our supplications.

	This Week	
Sunday, June 24	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	10:35 a.m.	Friendship Hour
Tuesday, June 26	12:00 p.m.	Summer Inkling Deadline
	4:00 p.m.	Ukulele Class
	6:30 p.m.	Teacher Training
Wednesday, June 27	5:00 p.m.	Property Clean-up
Friday, June 29	4:00 p.m.	Friendship Bracelets
Saturday, June 30	9:30 a.m.	Women's AA
Sunday, July 1	9:30 a.m.	Worship and Communion
	10:35 a.m.	Friendship Hour

The Session of First Presbyterian Church

Class of 2018	John Dinkler	Phillip Phiri
	Robert Williams	James Duncan
Class of 2019	Lucy Ambach	Rona Johnston
	Fiona Scott Morton	Mary Porterfield
Class of 2020	Sue Balakrishnan	Jennifer Ballew
	Jennifer Herbst	Timothy McConnell
Clerk	Tim McCloskey	
Treasurer	Mike Spicer	

First Presbyterian Church of New Haven is a More Light Congregation and part of Presbyterian Promise. Both organizations are dedicated to the full inclusion of lesbian, gay, transgender, bisexual and questioning individuals.

The Staff of First Presbyterian Church

Pastor:	The Reverend J. C. Cadwallader
Music Director:	Patrick McCreless
Church Administrator:	Martha Smith
Christian Educator:	Kimberley Fais
Nursery Care Provider:	Emily Landino

The church office welcomes your announcements and prayer requests for the bulletin. Please send the copy to firstpresbyterianchurch@gmail.com by Wednesday before noon to be included in the Sunday Bulletin.

Please remember that parking is available at the Hooker School on Sunday mornings when lawn or street parking is unavailable.

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