

*Not “Brook” but “Ocean” should be his name.*  
~ Ludwig von Beethoven  
(“Bach” is the German word for stream or brook.)

*Everything in the universe has a rhythm, everything dances.*  
~ Maya Angelou

THE FIRST PARISH CHURCH IN WESTON, U.U.  
Weston, Massachusetts  
*Gathered in 1698*  
ORDER OF SERVICE for STREAMED WORSHIP  
March 14, 2021 A.D. at 10:30 am  
Fourth Sunday in Lent

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

We invite everyone to join us for:  
a time of fellowship at 11:30 am,  
**<https://uuma.zoom.us/j/98603358957>**  
**Meeting ID: 986 0335 8957**

PRELUDE: Pastorella – Movements I, II by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

OPENING WORDS

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

HYMN: “Wake, Awake” (verses 1 and 3)

Wake, awake, for night is flying;  
the watchmen on the heights are crying, “Awake, Jerusalem, arise!”  
Midnight hears the welcome voices and at the thrilling cry rejoices;  
Christ comes, O Church, lift up your eyes!  
Rise up, with willing feet go forth, the Savior meet: Alleluia!  
Lo, great and small, we answer all; we follow now with joy the call.  
  
Now let all the heav’ns adore you, let saints and angels sing before you,  
let harp and cymbal now unite. Of one pearl each shining portal,  
where we shall join the choir immortal in praises round your throne of light.  
Our eyes behold the sight, our ears fill with delight: Alleluia!  
Therefore we sing, our hymns we bring, in praise to you our voices ring.

LIGHTING OF THE CHALICE: Lee Engler and Inge Thorn Engler

VIRTUAL EXCHANGE OF PEACE

TIME FOR ALL AGES – Rev. Sarah Napoline

ANTHEM: "Bist du bei mir" ("Stay thou by me") from the *Anna Magdalena Notebook (1722)*  
by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)  
Benjamin Doyle, tenor soloist; Geoff Wieting, organist

READING: Psalm 33: 1-7 Praise the Lord with Lyre

MUSIC MEDITATION

SERMON: "Dipping into the 'Stream:' Reflections on the Life of J. S. Bach"  
– Rev. Jeff Barz-Snell

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER – featuring a different version for each week of Lent. This week's version was written by Jeff Barz-Snell.

Beloved Parent, who is both the source and aim of our existence,  
May your place in our lives be revered and kept distinct.  
Thy kingdom come, may your will for the world be done,  
through the work of our hearts and hands.  
Grant us this day our portion of what we need to live,  
And forgive us when we fall short,  
only as we forgive those who have fallen short with us.  
And let us not give in to our lesser selves,  
But deliver us from darkness both within and without.  
For you are the source of our hope and the light of our inspiration,  
for as long we are and will be. Amen

OFFERTORY: "*Lift Thine eyes*" from the oratorio *Elijah* by Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)  
solo trio: Rose Hegele, Mary Shaw, Gabrielle Barkidjija

Doxology:

**From all that dwell below the skies,  
Let the Creator's praise arise  
Let the Redeemer's name be sung  
Through every land, by every tongue!**  
**Eternal are thy mercies Lord:  
Eternal truth attends thy word;  
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore,  
Till suns shall rise and set no more.**

INVITATION

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: Pastorella – Movement IV by J. S. Bach

The flowers on the altar are given in loving memory of Beth and Bob Charpie.

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

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

A WARM WELCOME TO OUR FELLOWSHIP HOUR GUEST, WOULLARD LETT. Woullard is Regional Lead for the New England Region of the UUA and will join us for Fellowship Hour on Zoom, providing us with a 30-minute "Orientation to the Organization and Activities of the New England Region of the UUA." Participants will be able to ask questions and discuss the resources and opportunities available to us via our regional membership. This is part of an occasional speaker series sponsored by the Denominational Affairs Committee featuring staff from UUA and our regional district (the NE Region) speaking on issues of interest to our congregation.

FIRST PARISH COMMUNITY PROGRAM WITH ROBERT KUTTNER TODAY AT 4:00 PM ON ZOOM. Professor Kuttner will speak on "Pathways Toward a More Just Economy: Can We Join Ethics and Economics?" Kuttner teaches at the Heller School for Social Policy and Management at Brandeis University and has written twelve books on contemporary issues of economics, politics, globalization and labor markets. His talk will focus on the ethical and social implications of current economic policies, in the US and around the world. [Click here](#) for more information and for the login information that will be posted before today's presentation. Professor Kuttner's appearance is supported by the McMullen-Rush Guest Speaker Fund at First Parish.

EASTER IS APRIL 4, and the Flower Committee invites you to order a **memorial plant** to remember a loved one and beautify the altar. The service will be taped on Saturday morning, April 3, so if you would like to pick up your plant the day before Easter, the breezeway will be unlocked in the afternoon from 2:00-3:00. Checks should be made out to First Parish Church in Weston (Memo – Flower Fund). Send your check and dedication to Lynn Taff, 370 Glen Rd., Weston.....and please specify your choice of plant and color (hydrangeas, tulips, daffodils) (Easter lilies can be ordered but cannot be placed on the altar). Questions? Contact Lynn ([LRT.1@comcast.net](mailto:LRT.1@comcast.net)).

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

FPCW BOOK GROUP – After our February gathering, we decided to switch the order of our March and April book selections. Hope you will be able to join us at 9:30 am on Zoom!

March 18 – *The Wright Brothers* by David McCullough — April 15 – *Caste* by Isabel Wilkerson

ALL-MUSIC SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE, MARCH 21, AT 10:30 AM – Join us as we celebrate the 336<sup>th</sup> birthday of Johann Sebastian Bach with our virtual choir and soloists presenting well-loved selections from his vast repertoire under the direction of Director William Sano and accompanied by organist Geoffrey Wieting.

YOUTH BONFIRE – Sunday, Mar. 21, from 4:30 – 6:00 pm at the church's fire pit. **Contact Robert Jones** for more information.