

*Peace can become a lens through which you see the world.
Be it. Live it. Radiate it out. Peace is an inside job.*
– Wayne Dyer

THE FIRST PARISH CHURCH IN WESTON, U.U.
ORDER OF SERVICE
February 27, 2022 A.D.
The Eighth Sunday after Epiphany

PRELUDE: Voluntary in C John Zundel
(1815-1882)
To Thee, To Thee, Jehovah, Will I Sing August Reinhard
(1831-1912)

CALL TO WORSHIP – Steve Myrvang

Leader: A golden light is in our midst.

People: **It burns as peace, as hope, as love, as God.**

Leader: Feel its healing presence pass through you.

People: **Send it to another with a kind and loving thought.**

Leader: Know this: As it heals the inside,

People: **so can it heal the outside.**

Leader: For the world is but a reflection

People: of what lies within.

* HYMN 515: “This is My Song” (see end of bulletin)

Exchange of Peace

Minister: The Peace of God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER

Holy and Nameless One, whose professed prophets foretold a day when swords will be beaten into plowshares, pour out your Spirit on all people everywhere. Wash away fear and anger, so that we may be delivered from hate, hostility, and self-seeking. In your mercy, make us instruments of your peace, and teach us how to live together in the spirit of love and compassion. We offer this prayer in the spirit of Jesus, who taught us to pray, saying together: Our Father...

WELCOME AND GREETING

CHALICE LIGHTING:

Barbara & Bert Fullerton

TIME FOR ALL AGES

MUSIC MEDITATION (and dismissal to children's program)

READING – an excerpt from the Psalms

ANTHEM “Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones”

arr. Healey Willan
(1880-1968)

SERMON: “Across Form and Beyond Shape”

Rev. Sarah Napoline

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER “Strengthen for Service, Lord, the Hands”

arr. Healey Willan

PASTORAL PRAYER, followed by silent meditation

OFFERTORY “Anthem on the hymn tune ‘Old Hundredth’” arr. Healey Willan

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

**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!**

*HYMN 335 – “Dona Nobis Pacem”

May be sung as a round

Do - na no - bis pa - cem, pa - cem. Do - na
no - bis pa - cem. Do - na no - bis pa - cem.
Do - na no - bis pa - cem, Do - na
no - bis pa - cem. Do - na no - bis pa - cem.

WORDS: Traditional Latin
MUSIC: Traditional

DONA NOBIS PACEM
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'Give to us peace' is the translation of this traditional Latin round.

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Postlude on "Carlisle"
(Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart")

Healey Willan

Our Greeter this morning is Alice Moylan.

This is My Song

1. This is my song, O God of all the na - tions,
2. My coun - try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean,
3. This is my prayer, O Rul - er of all na - tions:

a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.
and sun - light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine;
let your reign come; on earth your will be done.

This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;
but oth - er lands have sun - light too, and clo - ver,
In peace may all earth's peo - ple draw to - geth - er,

here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;
and skies are ev - ery - where as blue as mine.
and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one.

WORDS: Sts. 1, 2, Lloyd Stone, 1934; st. 3, Georgia Harkness, c. 1939, alt.
MUSIC: Jean Sibelius, 1899; arr. *The Hymnal*, 1933

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Stone, a Hawaiian resident, wrote this text during the period between the two world wars.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME VISITORS: First Parish Church has long welcomed people with different perspectives, backgrounds, and orientations. As a newly approved Welcoming Congregation, we happily welcome all people as part of our 21st century community and church. We hope you will introduce yourself to the Minister and join us for some refreshment and fellowship in the Parish Hall after worship.

TODAY – REEL ETHICS: AN EXPLORATION OF ETHICS AND MORALITY THROUGH FILM AND TELEVISION AT 12:30 PM – This youth program with Robert Jones uses films/TV episodes to explore moral and life questions and how we respond to them. We'll start with lunch, stream a thought-provoking film or show, and follow up with discussion.

GIFT CARDS FOR AFGHAN RESETTLEMENT – As of Thursday, Feb. 24, we had 123 gift cards in hand and \$6,300 with which to purchase 126 more getting us much closer to our goal of 300 cards. The donation deadline has been extended to March 6th so please keep those cards and checks coming!

KNITTERS AND STITCHERS ON MONDAY, FEB. 28. We'll gather again via Zoom. Newcomers welcome!
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82093835385>; Meeting ID: 8209 3835 385

WEDNESDAY MORNING MEDITATION AT 8:30 AM VIA ZOOM – Newcomers welcome.
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82932848257>; Meeting ID: 8293 2848 257

ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2 – The church will be open for quiet reflection and conversation during the day. For those who would like to receive ashes on their forehead, we will offer that ritual and opportunity. Just call the office ahead of time or reach out to Rev. Jeff Barz-Snell by email (jeffbarzsnell@firstparishweston.org).

2-PART CLIMATE LEGISLATION UPDATE, WEDNESDAY, MAR. 2, AND TUESDAY, MAR. 15, AT 7:00 PM.
Sponsored by MetroWest Climate Solutions, of which First Parish is a member, the first session will feature the Mass. Senate, with Sen. Mike Barrett and Prof. Christopher Knittel of M.I.T. The second session will highlight the Mass. House with Rep. Alice Peisch and Rep. Jeffrey Roy. Sessions are free but individual pre-registration required. Go to **<https://www.metrowestclimatesolutions.org/>** for more information and to sign up.

FPCW BOOK GROUP – Upcoming Thursday gatherings at 9:30 am:

- **March 3rd**- *The Warmth of Other Suns* by Isabel Wilkerson; we'll have a hybrid gathering with participants invited to join in person in the Parlor or via Zoom
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84397302878>; Meeting ID: 8439 7302 878
- **April 21st** - *Cloud Cuckoo Land* by Anthony Doerr
- **May 26th** – *The Island of Sea Women* by Lisa See

MOZART & YOU! – In preparation for All Music Sunday on March 27th, the Choir will begin rehearsing Mozart's Requiem on Thursday, March 3rd. People of all voice parts are invited to join in; scores will be provided. A minimum of two rehearsals is required to sing during worship on the 27th. We are socially-distanced and wearing singers' masks in the Sanctuary from 8:00-9:30 pm on Thursdays, March 3, 10, 17, and 24. Questions? Please contact Bill Sano (978.744.4787 or wcsano@verizon.net)

YOGA FLOW WITH REV. SARAH – We will gather again on **Friday, March 4**, from 10:00-11:00 am in the Parish Hall.

THE REV. MARY MARGARET EARL, MINISTER & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE UU URBAN MINISTRY will be our Guest Preacher on Sunday, June 6th.



Collecting Baby Supplies for UU Urban Ministry's Renewal House Resident!

The UU Urban Ministry's Renewal House shelter has a new resident moving in who is expecting a baby in April. They have asked our help in collecting new (and gently-used) items to help her prepare - a sort of remote baby shower. Below is a wish list of items needed. [Click here](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0a48a9a722a1ff2-renewal) to go to SignUpGenius or go to: (<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0a48a9a722a1ff2-renewal>) to sign up for a gift. Donations should be brought to First Parish by **Wednesday, March 9**, so they can be delivered to Renewal House.

\$50 for Stroller with integrated car seat (2 needed)*

\$25 for Pack & Play (3 needed)*

Baby Bouncer

Baby Clothing (0 – 6 months)

Baby Towel & Washcloth (3 needed)

Baby Shampoo, Wash, Cream

Pajamas

Socks

Spring Jacket (3-6 months) (1 needed)

Baby Hats & Mittens

Baby Bibs (6 needed)

Onesies (6 needed)

Baby Bottles (6 needed)

Disposable Diapers & Baby Wipes (newborn & up) (6 needed)



*Checks made payable to First Parish (“Baby Shower” in memo) or donations through PayPal most helpful