

*The interior place where we experience God is the same kind of place
and as real as the place where we experience music and poetry.*
– Karen Armstrong

THE FIRST PARISH CHURCH IN WESTON, U.U.

ORDER OF SERVICE

March 20, 2022 A.D.

Third Sunday in Lent and First Day of Spring!

PRELUDE

Settings of “Our Father Who Art in Heaven”
Harmonization and chorale prelude (BWV 636)
Chorale prelude (fughetta), P. 475
Chorale prelude #73: tune in soprano

J. S. Bach
J. Pachelbel
J. U. Steigleder

CALL TO WORSHIP – Rev. Kendyl Gibbons (adapted)

Leader: Out of our community of heritage and belief,
we come together to share our hopes
and foster goodness in this world.

People: **The prophets of our traditions have taught
that we are called to mercy, generosity, and mutual care.
They showed us that to be great is to serve.**

Leader: We know that there can be no enduring happiness
for humanity so long as suffering and want go unrelieved.

People: **Until all may be sheltered, none of us is truly at home.**

Leader: May the power of our faith sustain us in this work,
that we may be the hands of holy creativity and healing.

People: **Together we can foster the coming Kingdom of God.**

*HYMN 18: “Praise to the Living God”

Minister: The Peace of God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

THE PEACE

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER

Source of Life and Peace, during this season of Lent, as we journey into the wilderness of a difficult and challenging world, may your light sustain us. May the questions that fill our minds with doubt drift away into the sands of the journey. May we dig within our souls to remove the prejudices deep within us. May your subtle but pervasive presence refocus our attention on our relationship with you and the ways we reach out to our brothers and sisters both nearby and around the world. This we ask in the name of your son Jesus, who taught us to pray, saying together: Our Father...

CHALICE LIGHTING:		Aaron Yeater
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		
TIME FOR ALL AGES		Rev. Sarah Napoline
MUSIC MEDITATION (and dismissal to children's program)		
LESSON: Psalm 46: 1-10		
ANTHEM	"Gloria in excelsis Deo!" from <i>Drumroll Mass</i>	Franz Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)
SERMON: "Praying, Acting and Being"		Rev. Jeff Barz-Snell
CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER	"Agnus Dei" from <i>Drumroll Mass</i>	Franz Joseph Haydn
PASTORAL PRAYER, followed by silent meditation		
OFFERTORY	"Great and Glorious"	Franz Joseph Haydn
*HYMN 505 – "Let Justice Flow Like Streams"		
BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE		
POSTLUDE	<i>Gravement</i> from Fantasy in G (BWV 572)	J. S. Bach

Our Greeter this morning is Holly Kulow.

STAFF

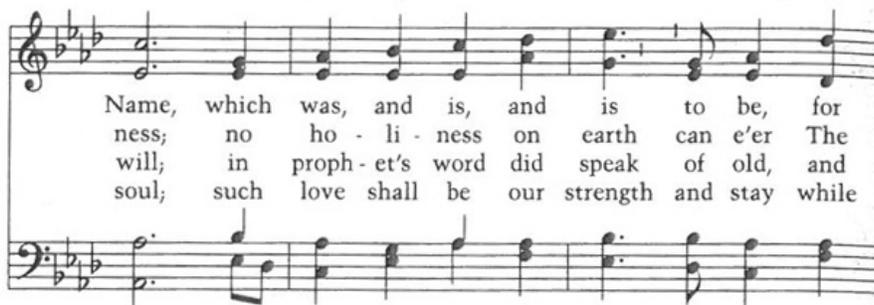
Minister		Rev. Jeffrey Barz-Snell
Asst. Minister of Families & Community Outreach:		Rev. Sarah Napoline
Youth & Family Ministry Coordinator:		Robert Jones
Choir Director:		William C. Sano
Organist:		Geoffrey Wieting
Choir Section Leaders:	Ben Doyle, Rose Hegele, Connor Lee, TJ Rufo-Curran	
Parish Administrator:		Betsy Gibson
Sexton:		Alan Flynn
Fellowship Hour Coordinator		Paula Leger
Video Production Team:		Jonah Barz-Snell, Max Hall

Praise to the Living God

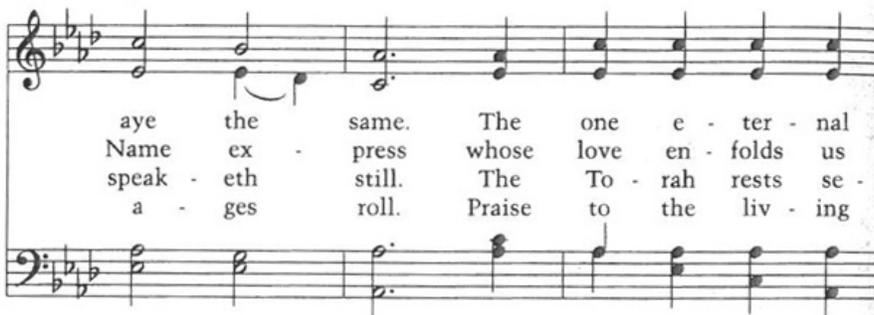
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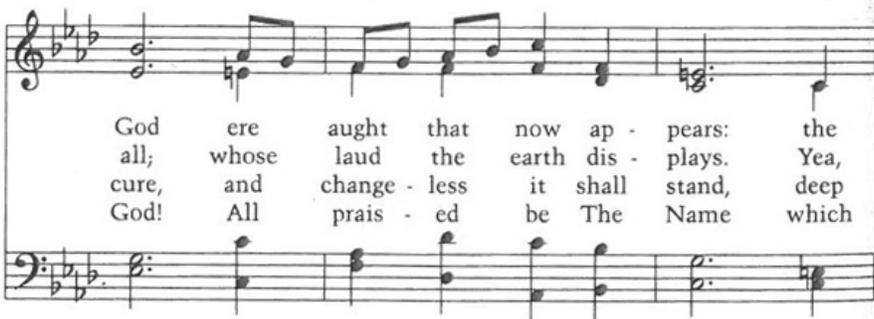
1. Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be The
2. Un - formed all love - ly forms de - clare God's love - li -
3. The spir - it flow - eth free, high surg - ing where it
4. E - ter - nal life hath God im - plant - ed in the



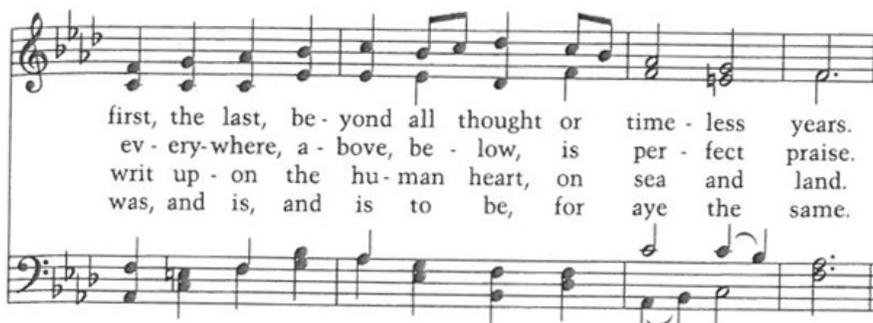
Name, which was, and is, and is to be, for
ness; no ho - li - ness on earth can e'er The
will; in proph - et's word did speak of old, and
soul; such love shall be our strength and stay while



aye the same. The one e - ter - nal
Name ex - press whose love en - folds us
speak - eth still. The To - rah rests se -
a - ges roll. Praise to the liv - ing

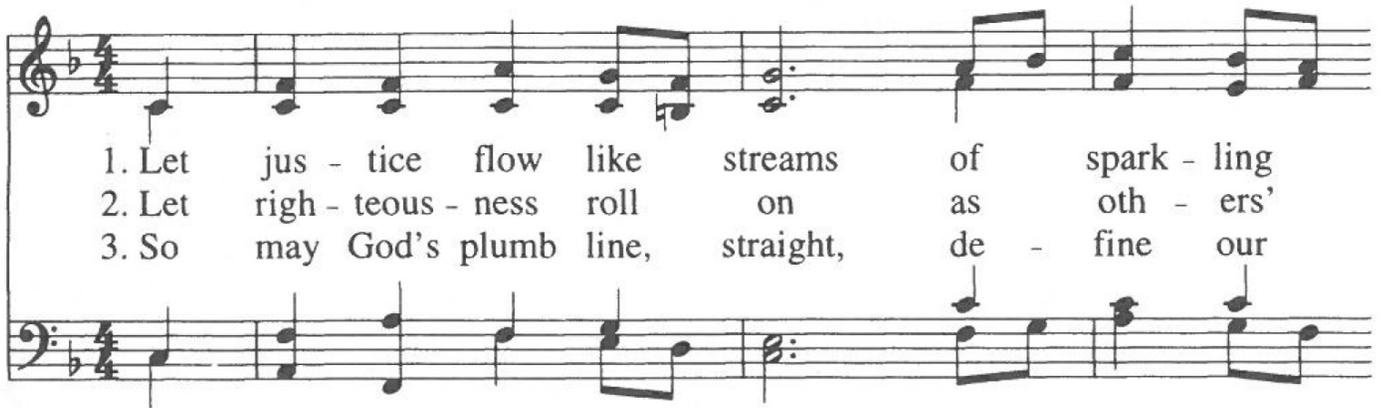


God ere aught that now ap - pears: the
all; whose laud the earth dis - plays. Yea,
cure, and change - less it shall stand, deep
God! All prais - ed be The Name which

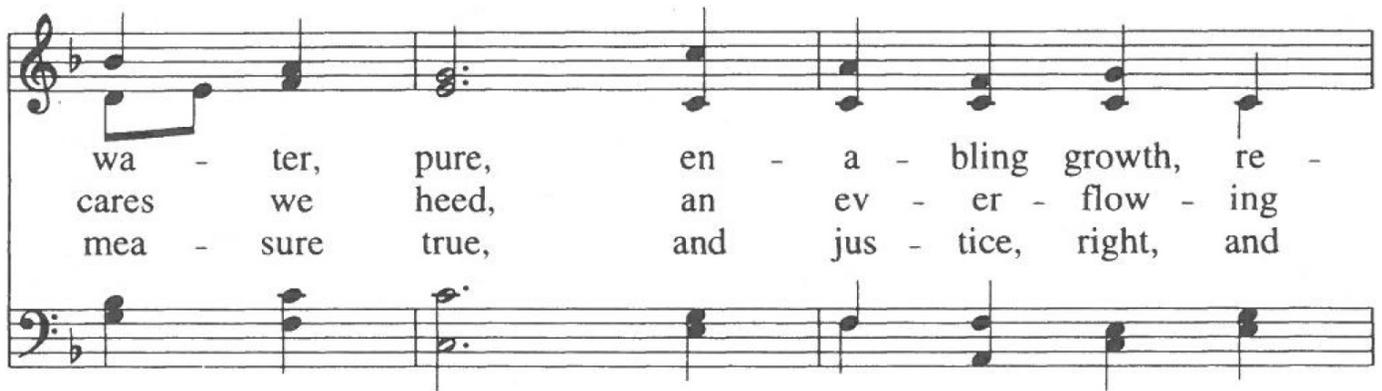


first, the last, be - yond all thought or time - less years.
ev - ery - where, a - bove, be - low, is per - fect praise.
writ up - on the hu - man heart, on sea and land.
was, and is, and is to be, for aye the same.

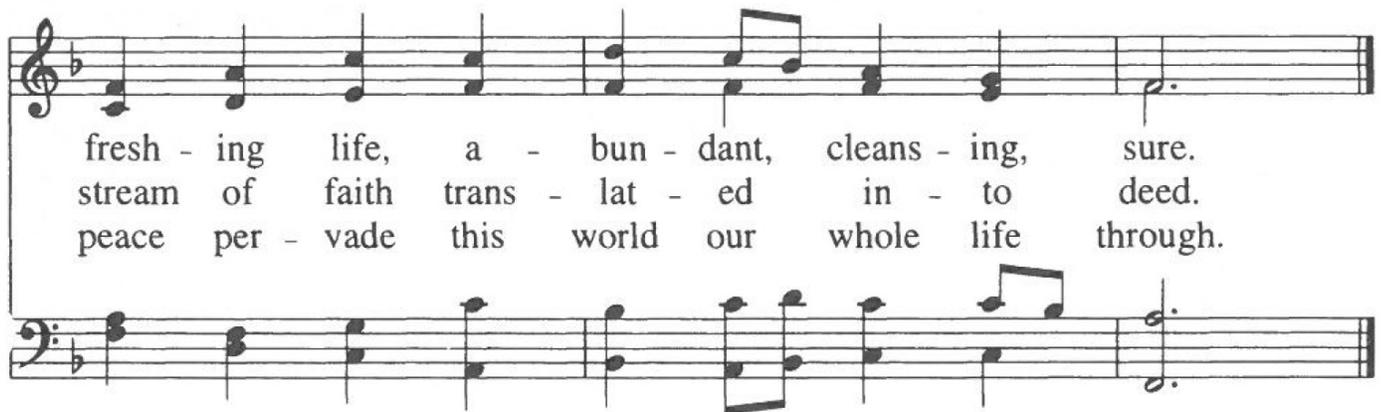
Let Justice Flow Like Streams



1. Let jus - tice flow like streams of spark - ling
2. Let righ - teous - ness roll on as oth - ers'
3. So may God's plumb line, straight, de - fine our



wa - ter, pure, en - a - bling growth, re -
cares we heed, an ev - er - flow - ing
mea - sure true, and jus - tice, right, and



fresh - ing life, a - bun - dant, cleans - ing, sure.
stream of faith trans - lat - ed in - to deed.
peace per - vade this world our whole life through.

WORDS: Jane Parker Huber, 1984
MUSIC: Aaron Williams' *New Universal Psalmodist*, 1770

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Huber's text is based on two passages
from the prophet Amos - 5:24 and 7:7-8.

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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.

SKYLARK VOCAL ENSEMBLE PRESENTS EMERALD ISLES TODAY AT 3:00 PM IN THE SANCTUARY. This celebration of traditional music from Ireland and other Celtic nations features two Skylarks with significant expertise in Celtic music: Fiona Gillespie (soprano and Irish whistle) and Peter Walker (bass-baritone, piper, and harpist). A pre-concert talk by Artistic Director Matthew Guard will begin at 2:00 pm. For more info:

<https://www.skylarkensemble.org/2021-2022-season-overview.html>

KNITTERS AND STITCHERS ON MONDAY, MAR. 14. We'll gather again via Zoom. Newcomers welcome!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86940785056>; Meeting ID: 8694 0785 056

Please note: This is a new login that will be good through the end of April.

WEDNESDAY MORNING MEDITATION AT 8:30 AM VIA ZOOM – Newcomers welcome.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82932848257>; Meeting ID: 8293 2848 257

BRISTOL LODGE SUPPER PREP & DELIVERY, WEDNESDAY, MAR. 23. If you can help prepare our dinner of beef chili, corn bread, salad, fruit, and cookies/bars, either at home or in the First Parish Kitchen from 1:30-3:30 pm, please contact Mary Menino (mary.menino@gmail.com or 781.894.3165). There are copies of the chili and corn bread recipes in the Breezeway.

MOZART & YOU! – Join us in person or virtually next Sunday, March 27, at 10:30 am when our Choir, organist Geoffrey Wieting, and trumpeter Paul Perfetti, under the direction of William Sano, present Mozart's *Requiem Mass in D Minor* for this year's Lenten All-Music Sunday. This piece is recognized as being the crowning glory of Mozart's career, despite that he died before completing it. It was finished from extant sketches and verbal advice by Mozart (on his deathbed) by his student Franz Süssmayer and first performed in Vienna in March 1792.

FAMILY SERVICE & SUPPER, SUNDAY, MARCH 27, AT 5:00 PM – Join us in Sears Chapel for a lively intergenerational service with varied music, stories, prayer and meditation and then stay for a simple Soup & Bread supper in the Parish Hall. Head home by 6:30 pm, hopefully renewed and refreshed for the coming week.

RETIRED MEN'S LUNCH – Save Tuesday, April 5, for lunch at noon in the FPCW Library or at home via Zoom

COMING UP FOR THE FPCW BOOK GROUP:

- **April 21 – *Cloud Cuckoo Land* by Anthony Doerr**
- **May 26 – *The Island of Sea Women* by Lisa See**

If you are not on the current group mailing list, please contact the Church Office if you would like to be added.