FIRST PARISH OF WESTWOOD, UCC

Growing Faith + Sharing Love + Grounding Lives



We are an Open & Affirming Church

First Parish of Westwood affirms the dignity and worth of every person regardless of race, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, physical or mental ability, family structure, education level, economic circumstance and faith or religious tradition.

January 23, 2022

Join us for a live streamed service today at 10am

Please join us on Facebook for a live-streamed service at 10am. This service will also be available for viewing on Facebook and YouTube after the service is concluded.

In addition to Pastor JT being back from vacation and leading us in worship, Sharon Hobbs is today's lay reader. Doug Hyde will oversee the live streaming and Sarah Tocco will be our musician today. Thank you to all!

I have become ALL THINGS to ALL PEOPLE, that I might by ALL MEANS save some.

To access the service via Facebook page, please <u>click here</u>. You do not need a Facebook account to do this. Anyone viewing the service who has a Facebook account is invited to LIKE and SHARE the service.

For today's service bulletin, please <u>click here</u>.

NOTE: If you wish to share expressions of gratitude from the past week or joys/concerns during worship, please submit to office@firstparishwestwood.org prior to the start of worship at 10am.

1 Corinthians 9:22, NRSV

Sunday Coffee Hour Please join us @ 11:15AM

While we are worshipping remotely, we still have the opportunity to meet after worship. Follow this link and see First Parish friends at 11:15AM this morning.

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81135545669? pwd=Y1VEemVMM3VyZzJ2RW40N21EaG1DZz09

Meeting ID: 811 3554 5669 Passcode: 040428





Thank you for Gift Certificate

All who participated in the Silent Auction portion of the Church Fair were eligible to have their name drawn to receive a gift certificate to Roche Bros. The recipient asked us to donate the gift certificate. We reached out to Lifeworks to see if there was a family who they thought would benefit from this gift. Here is the thank you we received this week:

We are so grateful to have been the recipient of a Roche Bros. gift card that you generously donated through Lifeworks. We so appreciate the community's kindness after such a difficult year.



Diversity, Equity & Inclusion in Westwood

Inclusive Westwood is a group of parents and citizens who are passionate about making Westwood a supportive, safe, equitable and inclusive town for all kids and families. "We seek to embrace and celebrate our differences as a community, and to build our collective awareness and understanding of how to be positively engaged citizens in an increasingly diverse and dynamic world."

Inclusive Westwood has recently created a statement supporting diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) efforts in our town. The statement can be found <u>here</u>, and if you choose, you can sign it by filling out this brief <u>Google form</u>.

Church Offerings

Even though worship is now offered virtually, First Parish still has bills to pay. What a great time to ensure that your pledge is kept up to date by enrolling in Vanco, our electronic giving service. There is no cost to you and if allows us to rely on a steady cash flow. Why not give it a try?

When we return to in-person worship, we will have "I give online" cards in the pews which you can place in the offering plates to show your participation. Contact <u>asst_treasurer@firstparishwestwood.org</u> to get started.





Important Dates at a Glance

January

 Jan. 30 - Sunday Worship online @ 10am

February

- Feb. 6 Sunday Worship
- Feb. 13 Sunday Worship
 Super Bowl Sunday
- Feb. 20 Sunday Worship
- Feb. 21, Mon President's Day
- Feb. 27 Sunday Worship

March

• Mar 2, Wed - Ash Wednesday, Beginning of Lent

COVID Protocols

COVID Protocols: The church is closed to in-person activities during the month of January. A decision regarding February services will be made later this month.



Office Hours

By appointment during January. Contact the church office at office@firstparishwestwood.org or call 781.326.5344.

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