

FIRST PARISH OF WESTWOOD, UCC

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Service for Sunday, September 5

Worship this morning, September 5

Dear Members and Friends of First Parish,
Worship will be held this morning at 9:30 with Pastor JT Hills. Communion will be celebrated at this morning's service. Rev. Hills will also be livestreaming the service on our Facebook page. To access the Facebook page, please [click here](#).



Everyone who attends in-person worship is asked to wear a mask and will be asked to sign-in upon arrival.

Save the Date: Welcome Back Sunday, September 12

Join us on Sunday, September 12th! First Parish



Church will be holding an in-person, “Welcome Back” Sunday service on September 12th starting at 10AM. All are welcome to this intergenerational service! Since returning to in-person worship in May, all who attend service at First Parish have been wearing masks while inside.

The “Welcome Back” Sunday service will be followed by an Ice Cream Social. Monetary donations for the ice cream and toppings will be gratefully received and will go to the United Church of Christ (UCC) Haiti Appeal. Additionally, members of the Christian Education program will be available at the ice cream social to answer any questions about Sunday school.

While we hope to see you in person, the intent is that we will also simultaneously livestream regular service worship to Facebook.



In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Please keep the family of Don Friedl in your thoughts and prayers. Don passed away earlier this week. Additional information regarding services will be forthcoming.

Interfaith Mini Walk for Hunger

With need greater than ever, join us for the 12th Interfaith Mini-Walk for Hunger on **Sunday, October 17th at 2pm**. Let's live our shared values to help those in need by supporting Project Bread, an organization which ensures our neighbors in our community have the food they need. For additional information and registration links, please [**click here**](#).



Church Administrator, Meg Kara

Our Church Administrator, Meg Kara, has accepted a full time teaching position with the Wellesley Public Schools for the 2021-2022 school year. Meg will be leaving her position as of August 30th in order to pursue this new opportunity. Meg will continue to help out behind the scenes with office tasks until a new administrator can be hired. Please see the following note from Meg:

Dear First Parish Members and Friends:

It is with a mix of excitement and sadness that I write to inform you that I will be leaving my position as Church Administrator as



of August 30th to pursue a full-time teaching career. As many of you know, I was teaching elementary school in Boston before having my twin girls eleven years ago. This past spring, I spent time substitute teaching in Wellesley and my time there renewed my passion for educating students at the elementary level. I'm excited to announce that I was recently offered a full-time position with Wellesley for the upcoming school year to teach elementary math. With that said, it is with a heavy heart that I say goodbye to First Parish. Your congregation has always welcomed me with open arms and has felt like home to me for the past six years.

I'd like to extend a special thank you to Barb Delisle who has been an amazing source of support, guidance and friendship from my very first day on the job. I'd also like to thank both Pastor Chris Dodge and Pastors Rick and Jill Edens for their kindness and flexibility in always allowing me to put my family first while getting the job done. Thank you to countless others who have made my job easier by giving of yourselves and your time to support First Parish. Although I won't be the main point of contact anymore, you will definitely see me browsing the pumpkins and shopping at the Christmas Fair and Yard Sale each year!

Thanks again for being my second home for the past six years. I will miss you all so very much!

*Warmest regards,
Meg Kara*

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