

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.

February 13, 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 leading us in worship, Kathy Davis is today's lay reader. Doug Hyde will oversee the live streaming and Sarah Tocco will be our musician today. Thank you to all!

To access the service via Facebook page,



Love
never
ends.

- 1 Corinthians 13:8 -

please [click here](#). 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.

*To access worship via YouTube: Go to YouTube on a Smart TV or do a Google search for YouTube on your phone or laptop. Once in YouTube, search First Parish Westwood. The live stream of a service Sunday morning or recordings of past services should appear on your screen.

For the service bulletin, please [click here](#).

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.

Sunday Virtual Coffee Hour Please join us Sunday @ 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 Sunday morning.

Join Zoom Meeting

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

Meeting ID: 811 3554 5669
Passcode: 040428



.....Speaking of Coffee Hour

Starting on Sunday, March 6, we will resume in person coffee hour after worship. We will have light snacks (prepackaged), coffee and juice available.

What we need to make this happen are volunteer hosts to get the coffee brewed, put out the snacks and other beverages and clean up at the end.

Here are the Sundays in March. Please contact the church office if you are available to help out. No prior experience required!!!



March 6 _____
March 13 _____
March 20 _____
March 27 _____

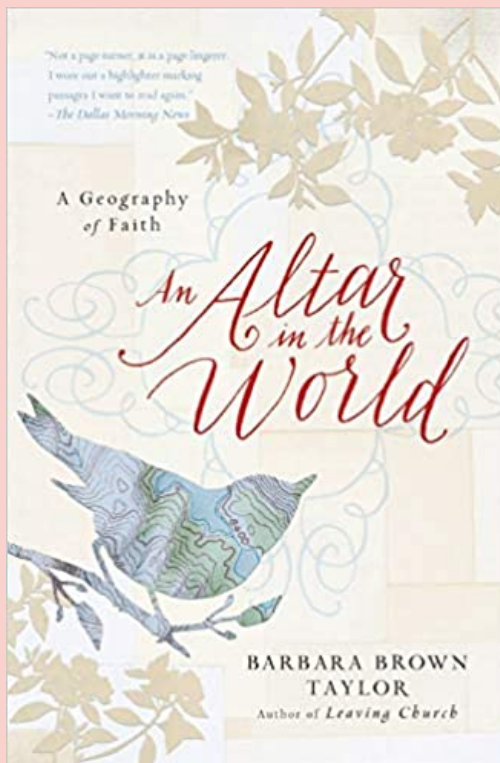
Return to In-person Worship Sunday, February 20th

We've missed you!! In just 7 days we will resume in-person worship services. We hope you can join us.

Here is the recent letter [click here](#) from Pastor JT regarding plans to return to worship.



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Lent Reading and Book Discussion - *An Altar in the World* by Barbara Brown Taylor

During the upcoming Lent season, everyone is invited to read and participate in a book discussion of *An Altar in the World* by Barbara Brown Taylor.

Taylor's book is an exploration of encountering God in our everyday lives. "Something as ordinary as hanging clothes on a clothesline becomes an act of meditation if we pay attention to what we're doing and take time to notice the sights, smells, and sounds around us." Our book group will meet on Tuesday evenings over Zoom, starting March 8 and ending in Holy Week, April 12. Two chapters will be discussed each week.

An Altar in the World can be purchased on Amazon [click here](#) or the church can supply a copy to you for a suggested donation of \$10. Please contact the church office by Sunday, February 27 if you would like to have the church order the book for you.

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 it 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 asst_treasurer@firstparishwestwood.org to get started.



Important Dates at a Glance

February

- Feb. 13 - Sunday Worship online @ 10am
 - Super Bowl Sunday
- Feb. 14 - Valentine's Day
- Feb. 20 - Sunday Worship in person @ 10am
- Feb. 20-27 - School Vacation Week
- Feb. 21, Mon - President's Day/Office Closed
- Feb. 22, Tues. - Regular office hours resume
- Feb. 27 - Sunday Worship in person @ 10am

March

- Mar 2, Wed - Ash Wednesday, Beginning of Lent
- March 13 - Sunday Worship
 - Return to Daylight Saving Time @ 2am

COVID Protocols

COVID Protocols: When we return to in-person worship on Sunday, February 20th, we request that KN-95 or N-95 masks be worn. We will have a supply on hand if needed.

Other information about return to in person worship

Sunday School and coffee hour will resume on Sunday, March 6th.

Nursery coverage is not available until after vaccines for children under the age of five become available. Look for updates in future emails.



By appointment until the church office returns to normal business hours starting Tuesday, February 22nd.

Mondays 9am - 1pm

Tuesdays 1pm - 3pm

Wednesdays 9am - 1pm

Contact the church office at office@firstparishwestwood.org or

call 781.326.5344.

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