

# FIRST PARISH OF WESTWOOD, UCC

*Growing Faith + Sharing Love + Grounding Lives*



## We are an Open & Affirming Church

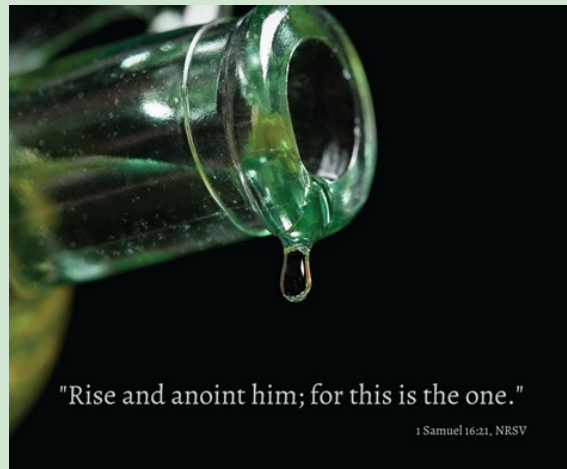
*First Parish of Westwood affirms the dignity and worth of every person regardless of race, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, physical or mental ability, family structure, education level, economic circumstance and faith or religious tradition.*

**October 24, 2021**

**Join us today at 10am.** First Parish Church will be holding an in-person worship service. Immediately following worship, we will have pictures taken of the congregation outside on the patio.

The service will also be live streamed on our Facebook page. To access the Facebook page, please [click here](#).

Note: To view the Order of Service for this morning's service, please [click here](#).



"Rise and anoint him; for this is the one."

1 Samuel 16:21, NRSV

Sunday School will be held outside due to the different variants of COVID-19 and our young parishioners. We are working on an alternative plan if there is inclement weather.

**COVID Protocols:**

**Everyone who attends in-person worship should wear a mask and will be asked to sign-in upon arrival. Distancing will be maintained and windows will be open.**



**Photos - Today After Worship**

Today is photo day at First Parish so we can update pictures on our website. Please join us on the patio immediately following worship and be part of a congregational photo. Photos will also be taken in the sanctuary during worship.

**Winter Clothing Drive – October’s Mission Project**  
**Bring Donations in on Sundays or during weekday office hours**

A collection is now underway for clothing which will be donated to the following causes: Cradles to Crayons, City Mission, Coats for Kids and Rosie's Place.

Note: Please donate NEW or BARELY USED/CLEAN COATS; and NEW hats, gloves/mittens, scarves and socks for youth and adults. Other new or barely used (must be in excellent condition) clothing for youth up to age 12 will also be accepted.

We will collect donations throughout the month of October at worship on Sundays and during the week outside the church office during office hours.



**In our thoughts and prayers**

We send our prayers and good wishes to Martha Crawford who is recovering from successful knee surgery.

**Fall Clean-up of Church Grounds -**

## Sunday, November 7th

Please join us after worship on Sunday, November 7! We will be raking and bagging leaves, trimming shrubs and cleaning parking lot. As with many tasks we do, many hands make light work.

Please [click here](#) to sign-up and also let us know your preference for pizza! For additional information or questions, please contact the church office at [office@firstparishwestwood.org](mailto:office@firstparishwestwood.org).



### Mini Walk for Hunger a Great Success!

Our own Darlene Wong Cancell reports on Westwood Minute that this year's local Walk for Hunger broke its fundraising record with \$13,687 raised by this year's recipients. Darlene - Thank you for sharing this picture of Quorra and Kelse Hills and Mary Masi-Phelps.

Mary was announced as a top 5 fundraiser at the end of the walk! Way to go Mary and First Parish!!!!

Here is the article Darlene ran on Westwood Minute regarding the Walk! [click here](#)

### Important Dates at a Glance

#### October

- Sunday, Oct. 31 - Halloween

#### November

- Monday, Nov. 1 - All Saints' Day
- Saturday, Nov. 6 - Memorial Service for Don Freidl @ 2PM
- Sunday, Nov. 7 - End of Daylight Savings (fall back on hour!); Communion and All Saints Celebration; and Fall Clean-up at 11:30AM (w/pizza for volunteers)
- Thursday, Nov. 11 - Veteran's Day/Church Closed
- Thursday, Nov. 25 - Thanksgiving/Church Closed
- Sunday, Nov. 28 - 1st Sunday in Advent

#### December

- Saturday, Dec. 4 - Christmas Fair



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