



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
129 MILLER AVENUE - PORTSMOUTH, NH 03801
April 1, 2018

Prelude

L: CHRIST IS RISEN!
P: **HE IS RISEN INDEED!**

*Processional Hymn & Entrance of Christ’s Light & Easter Banner
“Christ the Lord is Risen Today” #302

Welcome

*Call to Worship
L: This day is God's own creation!
P: We will rejoice and be glad in it!
L: Jesus Christ has broken the bonds of death!
P: We are witnesses to amazing good news!
L: Turn from your weeping and mourning. Put aside the ways of death.
P: We are being raised with Christ to a new quality of life.
L: The surprises of the resurrection continue into our own day.
P: The Risen Christ meets us here, bringing us new life and hope.

*Hymn “He Lives” #310

*Prayer of Invocation
Eternal God, we are caught up in the joy and promise of Easter. The healing ministry of Jesus cannot be put down or destroyed. The power of goodness and peace reigns over a broken world. We would cast away the anger, wrath, malice, and slander of our old nature that truth, righteousness and love might dominate our thoughts and actions. May we hear, in this hour, the unmistakable accents of Jesus' presence with us. Free us to accept the good news Christ brings.

Gloria Patri #71
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Time for the Child

Offering of Music

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*Hymn “O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing” vs 1-4 #317

*Gospel Lesson John 20:1-18
L: The Word of God for the People of God
P: **Thanks be to God.**

Morning Message

Hymn (remain seated) “Time Now to Gather” #2265

Communion #12

(ushers will escort congregation to communion rail)

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology
Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above the heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn “Because He Lives” #364

*Choral Benediction (The Congregation encircles the Sanctuary)
May the Lord, gracious God bless and keep you forever. Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor. Lift up your eyes and seek His face, and His grace forever. May the Lord, mighty God bless and keep you forever.

Benediction

Postlude

*Stand if you are able
Large print bulletins are available from the greeters



GREETINGS FROM REV. BETSY

The door of inclusive fellowship in FUMC is wide and always stands open.

A warm welcome is extended to all. One is never a stranger here, for whoever names the name of Christ is at home in this church.

May today's message bring you strength and comfort.



SUNDAY WORSHIP TEAM

Pastor - Rev. Betsy Webber

Pastoral Assistant - David Richards

Lay Leader - Susan Sarosiek

Liturgist - David Richards

Director of Music - Bevan Bloemendaal

Pianist - PaulaJ Jacobson

Greeter - Dianne Crisp

**Ushers - Ken Young & Al Cansdale
Anne & Mike Coffey**

Acolyte - Karen Sarosiek

Secretary - PaulaJ Jacobson

Sound Technician -Sue Sarosiek



**JOIN US FOR
COFFEE &
CONVERSATION
FOLLOWING THE
WORSHIP SERVICE**



**THIS WEEK
@CHURCH**

TODAY

10:00 EASTER SUNDAY

11:00 COFFEE HOUR

MONDAY

2-6 Planet Rangers
6:15 Finance Mtg

TUESDAY

2-6 Planet Rangers
7:00 NA
7-11 Pro Musica

WEDNESDAY

10 AM AA

THURSDAY

2-6 Planet Rangers
7:30 PM AA

FRIDAY

8:00 AA

SATURDAY

1:00 AA

SUNDAY

10:00 Holy Humor Sunday



IN OUR PRAYERS...

Family & friends of Bea Randall
Family & friends of Mary Merrill
Family & friends of Martin McGough

Ken Westbrook	Sue Goodhue
Jan Cansdale	Arlene Johnson
Ruth Tuttle	Dorothy Steinmetz
Myrt Moore	Kim Hishop
Gail Guarini	Steven Dietz
Richard Mullikin	Austin
Sylvia Bartlett	Juanita
Mary Merrill	Andrea
Brian Thompson	

Those in rehab and care facilities

HATCH HOPE THIS EASTER



IN HONOR & MEMORY OF LOVED ONES
this Easter you have donated 21 flocks of
chicks. Through the Heifer International
program you have made a difference for the
communities and families across the world.
Thank you!

IN HONOR & MEMORY OF:

Gil & Marilyn Stebbins
Dad Yager & Mother Stebbins

Kenneth Young, Jr
Flora Young

Jim & Barbara Slater
Family Members and Friends

Jennifer Berry
Dorothy & Leslie Fillmore

Barbara Clement
Michelle Prince

Linda Reiber
Frances Vanen Bosch

Yvonne Griffin
The Griffin Grandkids

PennySue Orr
Peter & Sue Newbury

Griffin's half Acre
John K

Donna and Ralph Littlefield
Our Parents

Mike & Anne Coffey
Roger & Polly Tucker

The Langs Family
John T. "Papa" O'Connell

Barbara Millar
Jim Millar

Ken & Jenya Westbrook
Our Mothers

Rosie Buswell
Gary Buswell & Cheryl Nelson

Stevens & Jacobson Family
Louise & Robert Jacobson
& Russ Stevens

Gayle Gardei
Camilla Stuart, Ethel Mundy
& Louise Jacobson

Al & Janice Cansdale
Herbert Gilman, John Cansdale,
Elaine Cansdale,
David Gilman, Florence Sprague

Susanne Olbricht & Kevin Fickenscher
Ben & Agnes Olbricht, Orville
& Jetta Kiel, Mel & Craig Fickenscher

George Bennett
John & Beatrice Bennett
& Thomas Bennett

Jessie Bennett
Earlie & Grace Sills, Thomas
& Nellie McPhatter

David & Sue Richards
Jane Richards & Gertrude Parkhurst

Susan Sarosiek
Bevan Bloemendaal

Cynthia Drake
Ernest Drake

Peace Circle Members
past Peace Circle Members

Evelyn New
My Siblings

Jim & Barbara Slater
Family members & friends

Connie & Bill Parsons
Howard & Ruth Latham,
William & Marylyn Parsons

**FUMC PORTSMOUTH A
RECONCILING CONGREGATION**

We, the congregation of the First United Methodist Church of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, are dedicated to worshiping, learning, and serving with all people as we embrace Jesus Christ's



message of love and acceptance. As a United Methodist Church we stand fully behind the statement "Open Hearts, Open Minds, and Open Doors" We celebrate our diversity and invite all persons regardless of age, gender, racial or ethnic background, sexual orientation, marital or socioeconomic status, nationality, physical or mental ability into full membership and participation in the life of this community of faith.



Flowers this week are in memory of loved ones and to the glory of the risen Christ!

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