

I CAME THAT THEY MAY
HAVE LIFE AND HAVE IT
ABUNDANTLY. I AM THE
GOOD SHEPHERD.
THE GOOD SHEPHERD
LAYS DOWN HIS LIFE
FOR THE SHEEP.

John 10:11

[JOHN 10:10-11]

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
129 MILLER AVENUE - PORTSMOUTH, NH 03801
April 22, 2018

Prelude & Entrance of Christ's Light

Gathering Prayer

*Call to Worship

Psalm 23

L: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

P: You spread a table before me in the presence of my enemies.

L: You anoint my head with oil, my cup is running over.

P: Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life.

All: And we shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

*Hymn "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" #89

*Prayer of Praise and Adoration

All praise be unto you, O God, Great Shepherd of the sheep. You gather your people as lambs to your bosom; you enfold them with your all-embracing love. You refresh us like a stream flowing freely with living waters; you nourish us like a host whose table is heavy laden. We gather to hear your refreshing word of promise and direction, to honor your name as our guardian and hope.

*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.

Special Music

Time for the Child

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 "For the Beauty of the Earth" #92

Old Testament Genesis 8:6-22

*Gospel John 10:11-18

L: The Word of God for the People of God.

P: Thanks be to God.

Morning Message "Preparation" John VanReenan

Gratitude Moment with John VanReenan

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 "Forth In My Name" #438

*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

Pastor's Assistant - David Richards

Lay Leader - Susan Sarosiek

Liturgist - Kevin Fickenscher

Director of Music - Bevan Bloemendaal

Pianist - PaulaJ Jacobson

Greeter - Marilyn Stebbins

**Ushers - Ken Young & Ken Westbrook
Al & Jan Cansdale**

Acolyte - PennySue Orr

Secretary - PaulaJ Jacobson

Sound Technician -Sue Sarosiek

WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

Family & friends of Bea Randall

Family & friends of Mary Merrill

Family & friends of Martin McGough

Ken Westbrook

Ruth Tuttle

Myrt Moore

Gail Guarini

Peter Guarini

Austin

Sue Goodhue

Arlene Johnson

Kim Hishop

Steven Dietz

Richard Mullikin

Sylvia Bartlett

Brian Thompson

Juanita

Andrea

Those in rehab and care facilities



THIS WEEK @CHURCH

TODAY

10:00 Sunday Service

11:00 COFFEE HOUR

MONDAY

2-6 Planet Rangers

TUESDAY

2-6 Planet Rangers

7 PM ProMusica

7:00 NA

WEDNESDAY

10 AM AA

THURSDAY

7:30 PM AA

FRIDAY

8:00 PM AA

SATURDAY

1:00 PM AA

SUNDAY

10:00 Worship

Needed! Plastic shopping bags for End 68 Hours

Flowers on the altar today honor
Marilyn & Gil Stebbins
celebrating birthdays this week!



**MORE THAN
A BUCKET**

The quiet offering
baskets at the front of
each aisle are for
donations to the
hurricane relief bucket
program through
UMCOR.

**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.

**If you haven't
already be sure
to "Check In" that
you are
at church this
morning
on Facebook!**



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