

A sunset over the ocean with a large rock silhouette in the foreground. The sky is a mix of dark blue, purple, and orange, with the sun low on the horizon. The water is dark and reflects the colors of the sky.

*DON'T BE AFRAID
JUST BELIEVE.*

MARK 5:36

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
129 MILLER AVENUE - PORTSMOUTH, NH 03801
June 10, 2018



Prelude & Entrance of Christ's Light

Gathering Prayer

*Call to Worship

All: We are called to give thanks to God with a whole heart, to be thankful for God's steadfast love and faithfulness. In gratitude we remember that though God is great and glorious, God is not far removed from us. God in Christ, and by the Holy Spirit, walks this life with us. God saves and delivers us. God's purposes are fulfilled for us and through us. With joyful praise and boundless thanksgiving let us worship God!

*Hymn "O God Our Help in Ages Past" #117

*Prayer of Invocation

**O Lord, you have called us to follow you.
Grant us the grace,
Like Abram, to hope in your promises;
Like Matthew, to put you before our work;
Like the girl raised to life, to renew our own lives;
Like the woman healed, to believe you will heal us.
This day, we come to you again, Lord,
To better learn how to follow you.
Lead us.**

*Gloria Patri

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 Children

Special Music

Joys & 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. And lead us not in temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*Hymn "Heal Me, Hands of Jesus" #262

*Gospel Mark 5:21-43

L: The Word of God for the People of God

P: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

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

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn "He Touched Me" #367

*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.

Pastor's Charge

Postlude

*Stand if you are able

Large print bulletins are available from the greeters



**JOIN US AFTER CHURCH FOR
COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP
IN SANBORN HALL**

LET'S CATCH UP!

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR...

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.



OUR SUNDAY WORSHIP TEAM...

Pastor - Rev. Betsy Webber ~ Pastor's Assistant - David Richards

Liturgist - Steve Scott ~ Lay Leader - Susan Sarosiek

Director of Music - Bevan Bloemendaal ~ Pianist - PaulaJ Jacobson

Acolyte - Sue Richards ~ Greeter - Paul Webber

Ushers - Nancy Chesser ~ Dianne Crisp ~ Sue Richards

Sound Technician - Susan Sarosiek

Worship Service Tech - Nancy Chesser

Sunday School - Karen Sarosiek

Secretary - PaulaJ Jacobson ~ Videographer [volunteer needed!]

WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY...

Come join us for coffee hour after the church service in Sanborn Hall...we'd love to catch up with you and see how your week has gone.



WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER...

Family of Bill Geeslin

Ken Westbrook ~ Bobbie Noble ~ Cynthia Drake

Gail Guarini ~ Peter Guarini ~ Kathy Randall

Sue Goodhue ~ Kim Hishop

Sylvia Bartlett ~ Brian Thompson

Our church family

Those in rehab and care facilities

TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS...



Happy Birthday,
Dad (Papa)
from Laurie,
Scott and Paula

WHAT CAN YOU DO THIS WEEK...

When you change
the way you look
at things,
the things you
look at change!

Try it this week!

Think positively
& positive things
will happen

FLOWER SIGN UP CHART...



The altar flowers are a beautiful way of remembering or honoring someone special in your life. Please sign up on the flower chart in the narthex for your opportunity.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...



PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

FAREWELL POTLUCK

JUNE 17, 2018

FOLLOWING WORSHIP

IN SANBORN HALL TO
THANK PASTOR BETSY
AND WISH HER WELL ON
HER RETIREMENT!

SPRC IS COLLECTING FOR
A RETIREMENT GIFT SO
PLEASE SEE MIKE COFFEY
OR SUE SAROSIEK WITH
YOUR CONTRIBUTION.



UMCOR FLOOD BUCKET UPDATE...



\$435.50
and counting!
THANK YOU

MORE THAN A BUCKET

The red bucket as you walked into the sanctuary is for donations to the hurricane relief bucket program through UMCOR.

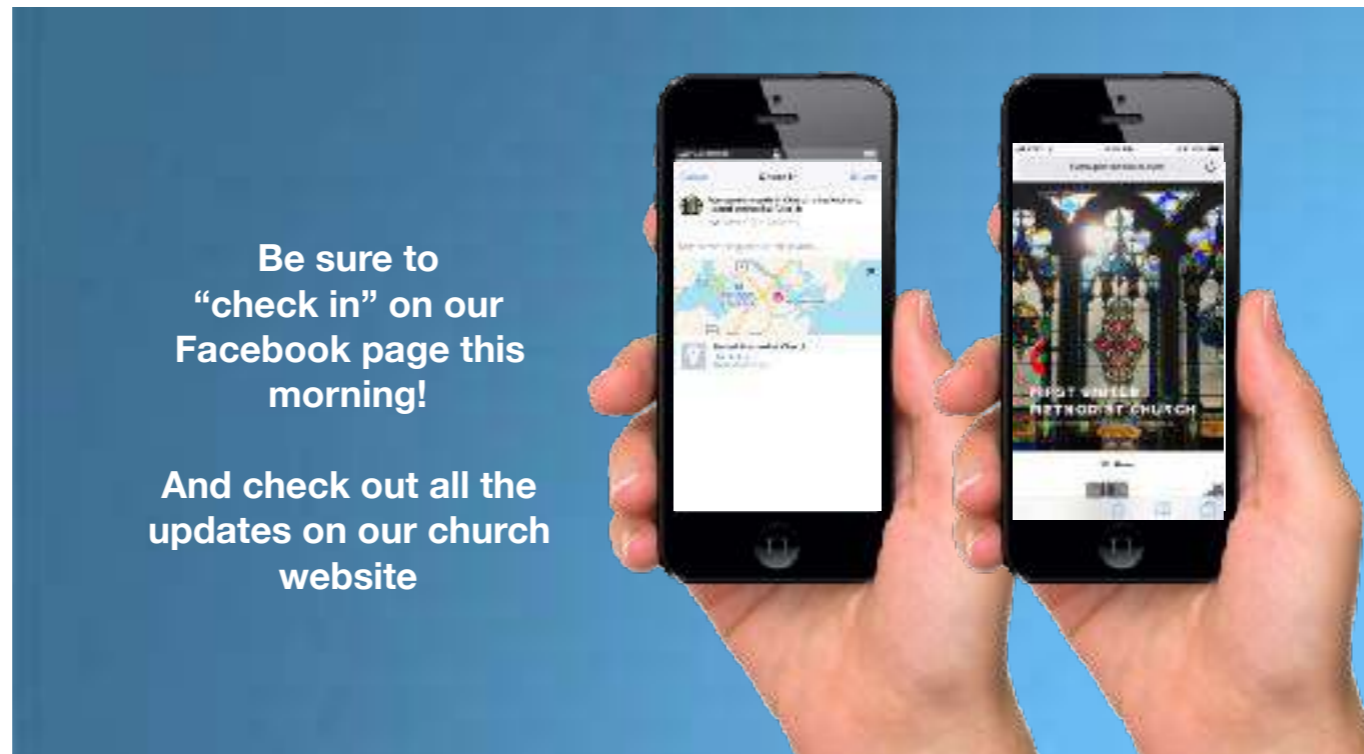
WILL YOU VOLUNTEER?...

We are looking for someone to be willing to film various moments within our worship service. These videos are being uploaded to our Website and YouTube channel and are important to our outreach commitments as they are shared with those who can't make it to church or missed that Sunday. Please see Sue Sarosiek or Bevan Bloemendaal if you are interested in talking about the details.

**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.



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