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March 12, 2017
2nd Sunday in Lent

MR. KENNETH FRIESE, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC
MRS. DIANE STAROST, DIRECTOR OF YOUTH MUSIC
MS. TINA CODY, DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S AND
YOUTH MINISTRIES

GATHERING

- Prelude Improvisation *Ken Friese*
- Welcome and Announcements
- Moment for Mission — Cuba Hot Lunch offering *Bob Ponzetti*
- Introit “In My Father’s House” *J. N. Beck*
Sanctuary Choir
- Call to Worship —Based on Psalm 121
- Minister: Lift up your eyes, people of God!
- People:** **We look to the hills, we stare out across the waters,**
we gaze at the horizon—where is our help?
- Minister: Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.
- People:** **We will lift up our eyes, and follow God’s way.**
- Prayer of the Day
- *Hymn No. 311 “Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather” TOKYO
- Invitation to Confession
- Prayer of Confession
- Gracious God, we come before you in need of forgiveness and grace. You call us to trust in you completely, but we do not. We are timid and fearful as we follow your lead. We justify our actions and words, though we know they are not what you require. We struggle to understand the new life Christ offers, preferring old habits to risky change. Forgive us, we pray. Re-create us in your image; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**
- Kyrie Eleison, No. 551 “Lord, Have Mercy” LAND OF REST
- Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.*
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Assurance of Pardon

Minister: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. May the God of mercy, who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, keep us in eternal life.

People: Amen.

*Gloria Patri, No. 581

*The Peace

Minister: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, we also ought to forgive one another. The Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Children's Moments

Rev. Kate Jones Calone

WORD

Prayer of Illumination

First Lesson	Genesis 32:22-31	O.T. p.30/P.37
Leader:	The Word of the Lord.	
People:	Thanks be to God.	
Anthem	“Trust in the Lord” <i>Sanctuary Choir</i>	<i>M. Mc Donald</i>
Second Lesson	Psalm 121 (<i>Responsively</i>)	
Minister:	I lift up my eyes to the hills— from where will my help come?	
People:	My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.	
Minister:	He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.	
People:	He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.	
Minister:	The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand.	
People:	The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.	

Minister: The Lord will keep you from all evil;
he will keep your life.

**People: The Lord will keep your going out and
your coming in from this time on and forevermore.**

Third Lesson: John 3:1-17 N.T. p.93-94/P.114

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Wrestling with God" *Rev. Kate Jones Calone*

*Hymn No. 475 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" NETTLETON

*Affirmation of Faith - Apostles' Creed (**Traditional**)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried, he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING

Call to Receive our Tithes and Offerings

Receiving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Take My Life" *C. Courtney*
The Sanctuary Choir

*Doxology No. 606

*Prayer of Thanksgiving & Choral Response

Sending

*Hymn No. 736 “I Want to Be as Close to You” DAVIDSON

*Benediction

*Choral Response, No. 601

-Amen, Amen, Amen

*Organ Postlude

“Fugue in ‘G’”

J. S. Bach

**Please stand, as you are able.*

THIS MORNING’S WORSHIP LEADERS:

Rev. Kate Jones Calone, Guest Minister

Brett Raynor, Lector

Rev. Kate Jones Calone, Children’s Moments

Charles Worledge, Usher Captain;

Roger Ketcham, Bill Roe

—This morning’s flowers are given to the glory of God.

If you would like to honor or memorialize a loved one, please sign the flower calendar in the central foyer or call the church office.

IN OUR PRAYERS:

New to the prayer list this week: Kadi Cuneo (Worledge family friend)

Continue to pray for those who remain on our prayer list:

Bob Esser (member), William Gray (Dorothy Mandrakos’ father) , Dave and Else Haddock (members), Kristin Keydel (Pam Fosella’s sister), Joan Lobasso (member), Our Pastor Nominating Committee and your next pastor, Cynde and Robert Raynor (Brett's parents), Rebecca Raynor (Brett's sister), Gerry Schult (member), Greg Schult (Gerry & Leslie’s son), Marian Vozza (Holly Baptista’s sister), Ed Williams (member), Grace Youngquist (member).

Names on our prayer list will remain for a month.

If you wish to have a name remain on the list, kindly contact the Church Office.

Rev. Means Congregational Meeting
March 26, 2017

A Special Called Meeting of the Congregation of the Old First Presbyterian Church of Huntington, NY will be held in the Sanctuary immediately following the 10:00 am worship service on Sunday, March 26, 2017, to act on the recommendation of the Pastor Nominating Committee for the next pastor to serve Old First Church, to approve the terms of call and to discharge the Pastor Nominating Committee.

All members of the church are reminded that a quorum consisting of 10% of the active membership of the church is required to be present for valid business to be transacted.

By Order of the Session
Thomas Bosch, Clerk of Session

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEDGE ENVELOPES FOR 2017 ARE NOW AVAILABLE IN THE CENTRAL FOYER. HELP US SAVE POSTAGE AND DROP BY SOON TO PICK UP YOUR BOX!

WEATHERVANE-APRIL 2017: Articles for the April 2017 issue of the Weathervane are due March 15th.

YOUTH CLUB AND KIDS' AND YOUTH CHOIRS: will meet this Wednesday, March 15, 2017.

- Youth Club & TUXIS are asking for any used or unwanted craft items to add to our supplies! We are running low on markers & pens - but any craft supplies would be GREAT! (ex. scissors, fabric, yarn, string, stickers, stamps, ink, paint, brushes, poster board, old magazines/collage material etc.) Please leave donations upstairs in the craft room, 205, or with Tina! Thank you so much :)
- Youth Club grades 1-8 from 5-7 pm in Youth Room
- Kids' Choir (grades 1-3) 5-5:30
- Youth Choir (grades 4-8) 5:30-6.

CONFIRMATION CLASS: Next meeting will be Thursday, March 16 from 7:30-8:30 pm (new time) in the Fiske Room for Lesson 5.

FOOD 4 THE SOUL: The next meeting will be Sunday, April 2 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Youth Room.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: We are planning to have a fun filled week of Vacation Bible School this summer the week of August 21-25. Watch for more information and registration forms available in future bulletins and Weathervane articles! All church school children and their friends are invited

SANCTUARY EASTER FLOWERS: It's time to order your flowers that will decorate our sanctuary at Easter. Your name and dedication will appear in a bulletin flyer and flowers will be delivered to homebound members of Old First to brighten their season. Please see lavender insert for the form and return them to Heather Tucker by Sunday, April 9.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN:

- **CIRCLE-1/EVENING:** Circle One will be meeting on March 28th at 7:30 this month. (One week later than usual.) We will be discussing the book 'Fierce: Women of the Bible and their Stories' by Alice Conner. Call Nancy if able to attend 516-978-6104.
- **CIRCLE-3/BIBLE STUDY:** Our next Bible Study will meet on Wednesday, March 15th at 12:30 pm in room 101. We continue our study, "Who is Jesus?" looking through the lens of Hebrews. We ask you to read lesson six in preparation.
- **CIRCLE-4/QUILTING** meets on Thursdays from 9:30-11:00 am in Room 101. All are welcome. No experience necessary.
- **CIRCLE-6/CRAFTS** will resume meeting again on Friday mornings at 9:45 a.m. in the craft room -212. All are welcome.
- **LAYETTE:** The layette is in need of girls baby blankets.
- **THRIFT STORE:** Volunteers are needed for Thursdays and Fridays from 11am to 1:30pm. Please let Cynthia know if you can work occasionally or every week.

COMMUNITY FOOD COUNCIL: Items needed for the month of March are: canned fruit and pasta sauce. Thank you for your generous donations.



WEEKLY EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, March 12 - 2017

Daylight Saving Time Begins

10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Worship w/Rev. Kate Jones Calone

10:20-11:00 a.m. Church School (*Room 102*)

6:15-8:45 p.m. AA (*Lower Level Room 10*)

Monday, March 13 - 2017

7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. The Learning Center (*Lower Level*)

9:15-10:15 a.m. Gentle Bends (*Room 102*)

7:30-9:00 p.m. N.A. (*Lower Level AA Room 10*)

Tuesday, March 14 - 2017

7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. The Learning Center (*Lower Level*)

11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Thrift Store (*Lower Level Room 11*)

1:00-2:00 p.m. AA (*Lower Level Room 10*)

7:00-8:00 p.m. Session (*Room 101*)

Wednesday, March 15 - 2017

7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. The Learning Center (*Lower Level*)

9:15-10:15 a.m. Gentle Bends (*Room 102*)

5:00-7:00 p.m. Youth Club (*Youth Room-204*)

5:00-5:30 p.m. Kids' Choir Rehearsal (*Room 211*)

5:30-6:00 p.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal (*Room 211*)

7:00-9:15 p.m. AA (*Lower Level Room 10*)

7:30-9:00 p.m. B.S. Troop 32 (*Gym*)

Thursday, March 16 - 2017

7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. The Learning Center (*Lower Level*)

9:30-11:00 a.m. PW-C4/Quilting (*Room 101*)

11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Thrift Store (*Lower Level Room 11*)

5:00-9:30 p.m. Giant Steps (*Room 102*)

7:30-8:30 p.m. Confirmation Class

8:00-9:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (*Room 211*)

Friday, March 17 - 2017

7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. The Learning Center (*Lower Level*)

9:30-11:30 a.m. Al Anon (*Room 101*)

9:45 a.m.-12 p.m. PW-6/Crafts (*Craft Room-212*)

11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Thrift Store (*Lower Level Room 11*)

Sunday, March 19 - 2017

10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Worship w/Rev. Kate Jones Calone

10:20-11:00 a.m. Church School (*Room 102*)

3:00-6:00 p.m. L.I. Ballet theatre Music Recital (*Parish Hall*)

6:15-8:45 p.m. AA (*Lower Level Room 10*)

6:30-8:00 p.m. TUXIS (*Youth Room-204*)

REV. KATE JONES CALONE

Rev. Kate Jones Calone is the director of the Open Door Exchange ministry at Setauket Presbyterian Church, which seeks to rebuild hope for Long Islanders in need by helping to furnish their homes, a crucial step toward stability and a better future. Open Door Exchange (ODE) collects gently used furniture from the community and provides it without charge to individuals and families transitioning from homelessness, displacement following a natural disaster, or military service, or to those who simply cannot afford to purchase basic furnishings (www.opendoorexchange.org). Kate lives in Setauket with her husband, Dave, and three children.

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"LET US PRAY"

101

Guide us, O God
by your Word and Holy Spirit,
that in your light we may see light,
in your truth find freedom,
and in your will discover your peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

102

Prepare our hearts, O God,
to accept your Word.
Silence in us any voice by your own,
that hearing, we may also obey your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

103

O God,
tell us what we need to hear,
and show us what we ought to do
to obey Jesus Christ.

Amen.

104

Lord, open our hearts and minds
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that as the Scriptures are read
and your Word is proclaimed,
we may hear with Joy what you say to us today.

Amen. Amen.

FIRST LESSON
Genesis 32:22-31

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

3/5/17

Rev. Kate Jones-Calone

SECOND LESSON

Psalm 1218 (Responsively)

Minister: I lift up my eyes to the hills—from where will my help come?

**People: My help comes from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.**

Minister: He will not let your foot be moved;
he who keeps you will not slumber.

People: He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

Minister: The Lord is your keeper;
the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

People: The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

Minister: The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

**People: The Lord will keep your going out and
your coming in from this time on and forevermore.**

3/12/17
Brett Raynor

THIRD LESSON

John 3:1-17

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.