March 14 - UP & COMING NEWS & SUNDAY WORSHIP BULLETIN

Worship services and past events can be accessed on Facebook and YouTube by selecting the links below:

<u>Facebook</u>: <u>https://www.facebook.com/FirstChurchHadley</u> YouTube: <u>https://youtube.com/c/FirstChurchHadley</u>

Additional information can also be found on our website by visiting https://firstchurchhadley.org

<u>Live Zoom Sunday Worship</u>: If you would like to join our Live Zoom Worship Service click on the link below at 10am on Sunday morning:

https://us05web.zoom.us/j/6222869817?pwd=ejFYVytrTlk3aW1kK01aWE1LeUJpZz09

PASTOR'S CHAT

Our Pastor's Chat will be held next week on **Tuesday, March 18, at 7:00 p.m.** Our theme for this month's chat is personal spirituality. How can we take some of what has been discussed in recent sermons and apply it to create a rich and rewarding spiritual practice? But of course, come and talk about anything pertaining to the First Congregational Church of Hadley that's on your mind. Pastor Peter looks forward to seeing you!

MISSION NEWS

Our Lenten mission project this year is to collect personal care essentials for the Amherst Survival Center! These items include toilet paper, soap, toothpaste, shampoo, menstrual products and diapers for all ages. There will be boxes and bins in the small vestry to collect these items.

SAVE THE DATE!

Hadley's Town Meeting is May 1 - please come and support the vote for CPA funding for our steeple renovations.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 16

10:00 a.m. SUNDAY WORSHIP & CHRISTIAN ED

Tuesday, March 18

6:00 p.m. HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL

7:00 p.m. PASTOR'S CHAT

Wednesday, March 19

6:30 p.m. Hadley Women's Group AA Meeting

Thursday, March 20

4:30 p.m. Fiddle Orchestra Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. CHOIR REHEARSAL

Sunday, March 23

10:00 a.m. SUNDAY WORSHIP & CHRISTIAN ED

PLEASE SUBSCRIBE

Don't forget to subscribe to our **YouTube** channel to keep up on our latest services and to view

past services and events. Please click on the following link to subscribe: https://youtube.com/c/FirstChurchHadley

You may also watch our worship service later in the week on **Hadley Media Public** Channel 191.

Follow us on Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/FirstChurchHadley

Please share this email! Invite your family and friends to join us. If folks would like to get this weekly announcement, just send a quick note to <u>rooster@firstchurchhadley.com</u>.

If you would like to post an event in the weekly Friday email blast, please submit it by Wednesday of that week. If you do not want to receive these emails, please let us know and we will remove your name from our list.

PASTOR OFFICE HOURS

Pastor Peter Stilla is currently offering office hours on Wednesdays from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. − 1:00 p.m.

Phone: 413-584-4117

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LIVE ZOOM WORSHIP SUNDAY 10AM

Click on the link below at 10 a.m. on Sunday to join our LIVE Zoom Worship Service. https://us05web.zoom.us/j/6222869817?pwd=ejFYVytrTlk3aW1kK01aWE1LeUJpZz09

The Rev. Peter Stilla Minister
Michael Stancill Music Director
Bob Andersen Deacon

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT March 16, 2025

PRELUDE"Be Thou My Vision"setting by Franklin D. Ashdown"Immortal, Invisible"traditional"Fairest Lord Jesus"setting by Gregory Hamilton

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bob Andersen

INTROIT "How Hast Thou Offended" arr. Ron Mallory
Ring of Joy

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all within me, bless his holy name!

People: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and praise all his blessings!

Leader: For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love towards

those who love him.

People: And for we who keep God's covenant and remember to do his commandments.

Leader: The Lord has established his throne in the heavens, and God's Kingdom rules over all.

All: Bless the Lord, all his works in all places of his dominion. Bless the Lord, O my soul! Amen.

* GATHERING HYMN

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

(cover)

* OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

Almighty God, whose glory the heavens are telling, the earth thy power and the sea thy might, and whose greatness all feeling and thinking creatures everywhere proclaim, to thee belong glory, honor, power, and love, now and forever, and unto ages of ages, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

* THE 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 into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

* 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.

SCRIPTURE Bob Andersen

Philippians 3:17-4:1 (p. 183) Luke 13:31-35 (p. 71)

TIME FOR ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

Shannon Stilla

ANTHEM "When Jesus Wept" William Billings, setting by Douglas E. Wagner

SERMON "Deny the Negative" Rev. Peter Stilla

* HYMN "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" #170

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys and Concerns Morning Prayer

CHORAL RESPONSE

MORNING OFFERING

Invitation

Offertory "Lord of the Dance" Sydney Carter, arranged by Allen Pote

* Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

Accept, O God, these offerings which thy people make unto thee; and grant that the cause to which they are devoted may prosper under thy guidance, to the glory of thy name, and through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* CLOSING HYMN

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

#218

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

Ithamar Conkey, setting by Robert Lind