

ORDER OF SERVICE

NOVEMBER 27, 2022

CHIME

WELCOME

Lynne Lipcon

PRELUDE

"Prelude op. 28 #1"
Frederic Chopin

Polly Oliver, piano

OPENING WORDS

Alyssa Lee

CHALICE, ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING & COVENANT

King-Lee Family

*With open minds and loving hearts, we gather to search for meaning,
to care for one another, and to work together for a better world.*

HYMN #225

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

TIME FOR ALL AGES

Kate Holland

Children leave for SEEK programming

"Go now in peace. Go no in peace. May the love of all surround you, everywhere, everywhere you may go."

ANTHEM

"The Road Not Taken"¹
Randall Thompson

First Parish Choir

READING

"Almost a Conversation"
by Mary Oliver

Lynne Cavanaugh

HYMN #55

"Dark of Winter"

TIME FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION

MEDITATION

Alyssa Lee

MOMENT OF STILLNESS

JOYS & SORROWS

Roger Horine

OFFERING

Alyssa Lee

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OFFERTORY

"Brave"¹
by Sara Bareilles and Jack Antonoff

Emily Miller Mlcak, solo
First Parish Choir

SERMON

"Dare to Think Smaller"

Alyssa Lee

HYMN #16

"'Tis a Gift to Be Simple"

BENEDICTION

Alyssa Lee

CHORAL RESPONSE

reprise "'Tis a Gift to Be Simple"

First Parish Choir

POSTLUDE

"Etude op.25 #31"
Frederic Chopin

Polly Oliver, piano



Recording and Live Stream End

(Please join us for coffee and conversation, in-person and online)

NEXT SUNDAY: RE for ALL

Immediately following brief 10 a.m. service

As part of our Earth-Based service, we'll be "Decking the Halls." On a twist from Flower Sunday, we invite you to bring some greens to contribute (small pine boughs from the backyard, bottom of your tree, etc.).

First Parish Carol Sing

Sunday, Dec 4, 4:30 p.m., Front Lawn
As part of the Wayland Town Center Open House



UNDECORATE THE TREE

Gifts benefit families through REACH, dedicated to survivors of domestic violence.

Return gifts by **TODAY NOVEMBER 27.**

Didn't have time to shop? Stop by and donate towards a gift card!

SUNDAY PLATE COLLECTION

The unspecified funds collected during this service will support the programs of First Parish. Once a month the collection will be shared with a chosen organization.

- Give online <https://www.uuwayland.org/donate>
- Download the **Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement** app on your Smartphone
- Text your tax-deductible donation to 833-264-0104 (no dollar sign).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SEEK Classes, 10:15 a.m.

TODAY'S FLOWERS are given by Deb Stubeda.

SEEK-ING TEACHERS! Do you like working with kids? Are you a grandparent looking to work on your skills with kids? Our SEEK classroom is looking for teachers. To sign up [contact Kate Holland](#).

SUNDAY HELPERS: Lynne & Ross Trimby (ushers); Lea Anderson, Lynne Cavanaugh (tech).

NOVEMBER LAY MINISTER IS ROGER HORINE: Please feel free to contact the Lay Minister if you need assistance or just a friendly, confidential visit or chat.

THIS WEEK'S GATHERINGS

For event connection information check our weekly eblast, contact the office or the event coordinator.

ENJOY SOUP AND SUPPORT UUSC AND OUR YOUTH TODAY, Nov 27, during coffee hour, Vestry. SEEK Kids will be making soup to raise funds for the UUSC Guest at Your Table. Your generous donations are welcome, but soup is for everyone.

MEN'S BOOK GROUP Thursday, Dec 1, 8:00 p.m., Online. Join us to discuss *Frankie's Place: a Love Story*, by James Sterba. All who identify as male are welcome. Questions? Contact Keith Sims.

COMMUNITY CAROL SING Sunday, Dec 4, 4:30 p.m., Outside. Join with friends and neighbors, including a special guest from the North Pole, for singing, cookies, and cocoa. Live music from the New Horizons Band.

ONGOING EVENTS & CONNECTIONS

MIDDAY MEDITATION Mondays, 12:00 p.m., Online. Suzanne Reitz, Barbara Pedulla or Penny Beer host a noon time meditation group on Mondays. Please stop in for a ½ hour meditation.

KNIT 1, LAUGH 2, Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m., Online Contact Heather Ryan for information.

CHOIR REHEARSALS, Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m., Stokey Library [Contact Polly Oliver](#) for information.

BELL CHOIR REHEARSALS, Saturdays, 9:30 a.m., Upper Commons Contact Linda Murdock for information.

Parish Committee (ParishCom@uuwayland.org)

Chair: Lea Anderson; *Vice Chair:* Lynne Lipcon

Treasurer: Heather Felton (Treasurer@uuwayland.org)

Clerk: Nan Jahnke

Members: Larry Green, Barb Heffner, Deb Stubeda, Nathalie Thompson, Jada Williams, Jay Woodruff

Staff

Minister: Rev. Dr. Stephanie May; *Intern Minister:* Alyssa Lee

Music Director: Polly Oliver

Director of Lifespan Education & Engagement: Kate Holland

Parish Administrator: Karen Plaskon; *Bookkeeper:* Leo Monzon

Lay Ministers: Ted Barnes, Erik Felton, Roger Horine, Lynne Morrison, Kathie Schmidt

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Hymn Lyrics



O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and with your captive children dwell.
Give comfort to all exiles here, and to the aching heart bid cheer.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come within as Love to dwell.

O come, you Splendor very bright, as joy that never yields to might.
O come, and turn all hearts to peace, that greed and war at last shall cease.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come within as Truth to dwell.

O come, you Dayspring, come and cheer our spirits by your presence here.
And dawn in every broken soul as vision that can see the whole.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come within as Light to dwell.

O come, you Wisdom from on high, from depths that hide within a sigh,
to temper knowledge with our care, to render every act a prayer.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come within as Hope to dwell.

Dark of Winter

Dark of winter, soft and still, your quiet calm surrounds me.
Let my thoughts go where they will; ease my mind profoundly.
And then my soul will sing a song, a blessed song of love eternal.
Gentle darkness, soft and still, bring your quiet to me.

Darkness, soothe my weary eyes, that I may see more clearly.
When my heart with sorrow cries, comfort and caress me.
And then my soul may hear a voice, a still, small voice of love eternal.
Darkness, when my fears arise, let your peace flow through me.

'Tis a Gift to Be Simple

'Tis a gift to be simple, 'tis a gift to be free,
'tis a gift to come down where we ought to be,
and when we find ourselves in the place just right,
'twill be in the valley of love and delight.

When true simplicity is gained,
to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed.
To turn, turn will be our delight,
'till by turning, turning we come 'round right.

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