

# WELCOME

**We Reserve the Right to Accept Everyone.**

**PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES**

- ♥ Childcare is provided in the education center downstairs.
- ♥ Hearing assistance receivers are available from an usher.
- ♥ Following worship, join our reception period downstairs.
- ♥ As a hospitality to visitors, a tour of the historic Meeting House will be conducted at 11:15 AM.
- ♥ Our pastor and deacons welcome the opportunity to speak with you about your interest in church membership. Come to the Welcome Table in the Fellowship Hall.

### This Week's Activities

Sun.            10:00 AM    Worship Service  
                  11:15 AM    Guided Tour

### Worship Participants

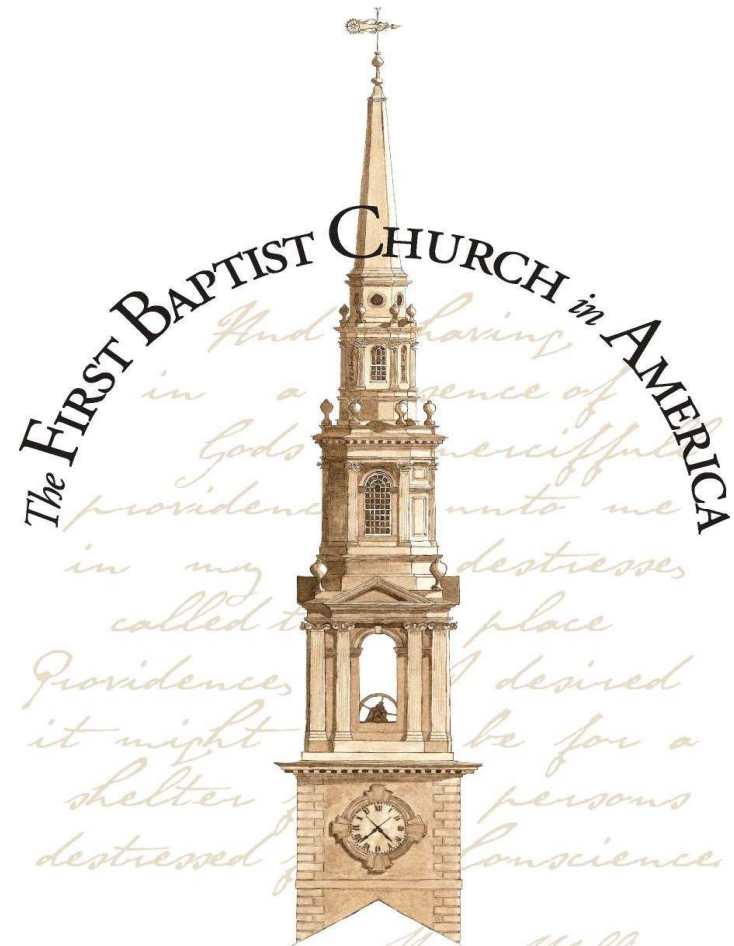
Greeters:                                        Emma & Susan Lepore  
Usher:    Colleen & Larry Whelpley  
Worship Leader:                                Matthew Casey  
Tour Guide:

### Ministry Staff

Minister    Jamie P. Washam  
Minister of Music                                Stephen T. Martorella  
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Bookkeeper                                        Anne H. Gagan  
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**ROGER WILLIAMS**  
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PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

Sunday, August 14, 2016  
Ten O'clock AM

## SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

**Prelude** Prelude and Fugue in C# Minor from  
*Well Tempered Clavier, Book I*  
Johann Sebastian Bach

### Welcome

#### \*Invocation

Every time we meet, we pray that you would “cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit.”  
We present ourselves for that strange interface between our thoughts and your spirit.  
We covet our thoughts that do not stay focused about getting out of church on time and errands to run after church and meals to purchase and folks to see; our thoughts reflect our excessive busyness that leave us little time for our life with you. And beneath busyness our thoughts are preoccupied with hopes that linger in disappointment with hurts that refuse to be healed with guilt that does not easily yield to pardon with estrangements that cut deep and remain open with can-do confidence about power and energy and achievement. We think a thousand thoughts a minute... of money and sex and control and loss and death and cell phones and loneliness and good food. And then you... you who give light and wind and life, you who watch over us with sustaining power and disciplining presence; you will us well and whole and by stealth turn our lives in freshness We present ourselves seekingly...grudgingly...that you will equip us to relinquish our thoughts that we have thought too long and too often seeking that you will restore to us the joy of your presence seeking that you will make things new in our stale, weary lives. What we seek, only you can give; What we ask, we cannot find ourselves; What we want is a gift and the open graciousness to receive it on your terms. Come Holy Spirit! Amen.

~Walter Brueggemann

### Greeting One Another

#### Announcements

\*Hymn #297 Spirit of the Living God

Scripture Luke 11:14-23

Anthem “My Soul is a thirst for God” from *The Holy City*  
David Coon, tenor Alfred R Gaul

#### Prayers of the People

#### Children’s Message

\*Hymn #408 Here, Master in This Quiet Place  
will be sung to the tune *St. Agnes*

*(Children are dismissed for Christian Education)*

Preaching A HOUSE DIVIDED CANNOT STAND Jamie Washam

Offertory “Then Shall the Righteous Shine Forth”  
from *Elijah* Felix Mendelssohn

\*Doxology *Old Hundredth*  
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,*  
*Praise God all creatures here below,*  
*Praise God for all that Love has done:*  
*Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen*

#### \*Prayer of Dedication

\*Parting Hymn #409 Your Hands, O Lord, in Days of Old  
will be sung to the tune *Ellacombe*

#### \*Commission and Blessing

\* Postlude Prelude in G from *Well Tempered Clavier, Bk I*  
Johann Sebastian Bach