

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 one another for a reception period downstairs.
- ♥ As a hospitality to visitors, a tour of the historic Meeting House will be conducted at 12:15 PM beginning in the downstairs Manning Room.
- ♥ 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.	11:00	AM	Worship Service
	12:15	PM	Guided Tour
Wed.	1:30	PM	Spirituality Group
Thurs.	6:00	PM	Spirituality Group
	7:30	PM	Choir Rehearsal

Worship Participants

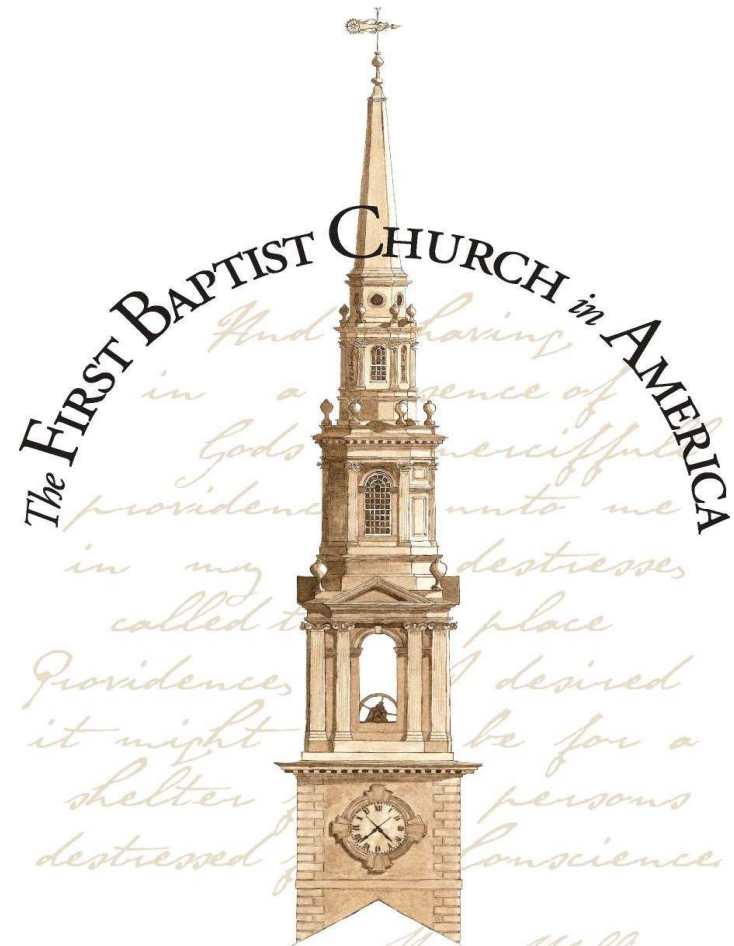
Greeters:	Lena Gates and Arthur Marois
Ushers:	Dianne and Edgar Thyret
Worship Leader:	Janice and Richard Aubin
Tour Guide:	Richard Aubin

Ministry Staff

Minister	Jamie P. Washam
Minister of Music	Stephen T. Martorella
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PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

Sunday, October 30, 2016

Eleven O'clock AM

Prelude The Lighthouse Ronnie Hinson

Welcome

Call to Worship

Sisters and brothers, these are among the convictions that we harbor and herald: Faith is not belief in spite of the evidence. Faith is life lived in scorn of the consequences.* Faith isn't a set of doctrines you agree to; or a set of religious habits you keep; or a particular emotion you feel. Faith is trust that ushers us into a new way of living. Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, and the conviction of things not seen.

Faith is being joyful, though you've considered all the facts.**

Fear—not doubt—is the opposite of faith.

Faith is contagious. We catch it by surrounding ourselves with a cloud of witnesses, with the stories of faithful people, both from distant memory and direct experience. Inoculate yourselves with stories of faith to ward off the fearmonger's siege!

So let us persevere in the pace we have kept, laying aside every fear, looking to Jesus, who for the joy set before him disregarded all shame, that every lame and languishing name be ransomed and reclaimed from death's grievous and groanful domain.

Ken Sehested, inspired by Hebrews 11, using lines from *Clarence Jordan and **Wendell Berry

* Invocation

Life-Giver, Pain-Bearer, Love-Maker,

Source of all that is and that shall be:

Father and Mother of us all, loving God, in whom is heaven:

May the hallowing of your name echo through the universe!

The way of your justice be followed by all peoples of the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth. With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

**For you reign in the glory of the power of love,
now and forever. Amen.**

Jesus Prayer, adapted by the Uniting Church of Australia

***Hymn** 43 A Mighty Fortress is Our God Ein fest Burg

Greeting One Another

Announcements

Scripture Hebrews 11:1-3 David Wordell

Anthem Saved by Grace (Fanny Crosby) George C. Stebbins

Prayers of the People

Children's Message

***Hymn** God Makes a Path (see insert)

Preaching BELIEF + DOUBT = FAITH

Offertory Praise His Holy Name Keith Hampton
*In birthday remembrance (October 29) for Francis C. Carter,
given by his wife, Isabella Carter, daughter and son-in-law,
Donna and Henry Campopiano*

***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

Sending Blessing for Donna Puckett

***Parting Hymn** 306 Standing on the Promises

*Commission and Blessing

*** Postlude** Prelude in D from *Well-Tempered Clavier Bk I*
Johann Sebastian Bach