

# FIRST PARISH CHURCH OF GROTON

Sunday, May 20, 2007

## A Thought before the Service Begins:

“Youth is wasted on the young.” George Bernard Shaw  
“Not!” FP Youth

*(We ask that you turn off the ringers on your cell phones, beepers and electronic devices. Please join us in a time of quiet during the prelude.)*

**Prelude** Junk (Paul McCartney)  
*Andrew Watson, Steve Burne and Shawn McCann*

**Ringing of the Bell** Rebecca Pike, Bell-Ringer

**Call to Worship** Because You Loved Me Brook Fenneli

**Welcome and Announcements** Jake Jackson

**\*Hymn** Forever Young (Rod Stewart)  
*(see insert for lyrics)*

**Chalice Lighting** Chris Funch

**Views from the Lives of our Youth**  
Introduced by Allegra Harris

**Background Music** In My Life (The Beatles)  
*Andrew Watson, Steve Burne and Shawn McCann*

## Singing the Children and Teachers to Church School

Go now in peace. Go now in peace.  
May the love of God surround you  
Everywhere, everywhere you may go. (repeat)

**Meditation and Prayer** Colleen Kurmas

**Offertory** Let It Be (The Beatles)  
*Andrew Watson, Steve Burne and Shawn McCann*

## \*Offertory Response

*Words: Barbara Rich Music: Joshua Rich*  
Today we give our time  
Our compassion, wit and song

Everyday we can choose,  
To begin again in love.

We give what we can,  
Generous as we can  
Opening the doors  
To begin again in love.

**Bridging our Youth** Rev. Elea Kemler  
Chris Funch, Maggie Grinnell, Jake Jackson

**Anthem** God Bless the Child (Arthur Herzog)  
*Andrew Watson, Steve Burne and Shawn McCann*

**Bridging our Long Time Youth Advisors** Rev. Elea Kemler  
Donna Nowak and Lukas Sturm

**Hymn** Young at Heart (Johnny Richards; Carolyn Leigh)  
*(see insert for lyrics)*

**Postlude** Try a Little Tenderness  
(Campbell, Connelly & Woods) *for the spirit of Donna*

*(Please remain seated during the Postlude. You are also invited to come to the front of the church and light a candle silently during this time. We ask the congregation to remain seated in quiet until the last candle is lit.)*

**\*Please stand as you are able.**

*Large Print Hymnals and Assisted Listening Devices are available at the sanctuary doors.*

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A Big Thanks to Andrew Watson, Shawn McCann and Steve Burne  
for such great music!

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The flowers in church this morning are given by Clara Rose and Jack Wool with love for mother, grandmother and great-grandmother: Laura, Clara and Rose.

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Greeters: Lukas Sturm, Susan Hughes  
Ushers: Meghan McNierney, Michael Ellis Moore,  
Matthew Leonardis  
Fellowship Hour Host: Christina Doucette and family