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FPS Community,
Please watch this important announcement regarding the move to online services only, effective immediately. The text from the video follows below.



Good afternoon and welcome to our holiday week! I want to begin this message to you by saying how thrilled I was with last week's revelry service... the time we spent together was wonderful and filled with Joy and Festivities! Thank you again for all of you who braved our pandemic climate to come in person... what I saw and felt last week is that we

our pandemic climate to engage in merriment... what I saw and felt last week is that we clearly needed and need... one another and our time together.

I am reaching out to you because this morning I met with the First Parish Covid Task Team to discuss the last two weeks of COVID numbers, and have conversations about infection rates, vaccine efficacy, and the number of people who are currently infected and hospitalized. We talked about Omicron and how much we do not know about this new variant and the number of “breakthrough” cases that are evading the vaccines and boosters. All around us we are hearing of people who are getting COVID who have been safe and yet are still being exposed. In reviewing the numbers, which you can find in this correspondence, is that every single category is in the red, which basically means that it is no longer safe to gather in the Meetinghouse. I am here to tell you face-to-face that **we will begin online services only effective, tomorrow, Sunday, December 18, and we will stream live on Christmas Eve at 5:00 pm.** This decision was unanimously made by the COVID Task Team based on the data available. We hated making this decision, but we would hate having anyone being exposed to this virus in our beloved sanctuary.

The good news is that we at First Parish are a resilient bunch! We care about one another, and we want the best for each and every Member, Friend, and visitor alike. Let us embrace this holiday season, keep the faith that we will overcome, and if you need me or any member of our Pastoral Associates Group, please reach out—we are here to be with you through thick and thin.

I will see you online as we do what we do best as a congregation—carry on one precious moment at a time!

Happy Holidays my dear ones and please stay safe.

Rev. Marjorie

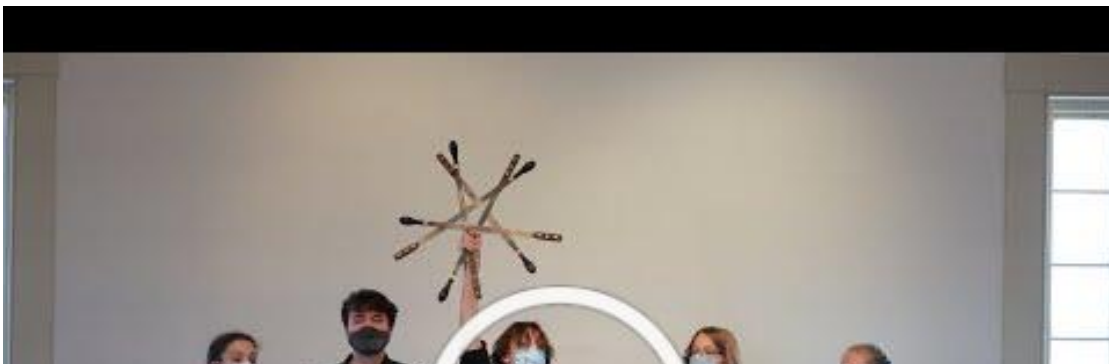
Zoom in to the Sunday Service

The password is 12345.

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