

West Parish of Barnstable

Gathered in London 1616 - Present Meetinghouse Erected in 1717

A Church in the Congregational Tradition

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

West Barnstable, Massachusetts



THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

January 9, 2022

10:00 am

All are invited to stay for the full service today.
Please wear your mask.

OUR STATEMENT OF WELCOME

As a congregation which covenants to walk together in Christian love,
believes that all persons are created equal before God,
and affirms the inclusive love of Jesus Christ,
we welcome to our work and worship all people
regardless of race, gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation,
ability, or economic circumstance.

Adopted at Annual Meeting, June 26, 2005

GOD GATHERS US

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Like A River Glorious

WYE VALLEY

James Mountain/arr. Bob Walters

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The light of a candle is enough to chase away the darkness.

All: Burn bright in us, O God!

One: Drops of water will bring a seed to birth.

All: Refresh us with your flowing love.

One: Words of truth prevail and heal.

All: Plant your truth deep so our words may echo your peace.

Unison: Here in this place, may we see light to heal our darkness, feel love to be refreshed and renewed, and know a word to give us peace and strength.

*HYMN # 167 (Green)

Arise, Your Light is Come!

FESTAL SONG

UNISON PRAYER: God of star and sign, lead us in this new year along the path of peace. Guide us in the way of truth. Place in us words of kindness. Let the baptism of the Holy Spirit fill us with the knowledge that we are your beloved children, in whom you are well pleased. God of star and sign, place your light on our path. Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SOLO

Joy and Peace

Keith Hampton

THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 43:1-7

Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22

MESSAGE

“Splashing in the Water”

Rev. Connie Bickford

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

*HYMN (insert)

Wade in the Water

WADE IN THE WATER

ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS AND CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER

One: God be with you.

Many: And also with you.

One: Let us pray.

PASTORAL PRAYER

INVITATION TO OFFERING OUR GIFTS

*In thanksgiving to God and giving witness to generous hearts,
our financial gifts support our ministries here and in the wider community.
Instructions on Text to Give are on the back page.*

GOD SENDS US FORTH

*HYMN # 232 (Green)

“Send Down Your Truth, O God”

ST. MICHAEL

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE

Little Fugue in F

Georg Philipp Telemann/arr. Kevin Norris

(It is our custom to remain seated in silence during the Postlude)

* All who wish, please stand.

Thank you to Rev. Dr. Connie Bickford in leading us in worship today.

Rev. Dr. Connie Bickford is a graduate of Andover Newton with her M.Div. and Boston University with her D. Min. She served as Director of Professional Education at Boston University School of Theology and as Associate Pastor at Dennis Union Church before her retirement. She has volunteered as a mediator in the Barnstable Court system with Cape Mediation and taught mediation at Boston University School of Theology. She is also Assistant Scribe of the Barnstable Association, UCC.

1. See that host all dressed in white,
 2. See that band all dressed in red,
 3. Look o - ver yon - der, what do I see?
 4. If you don't be - lieve I've been re - deemed,

(Hum)

God's a-going to trou-ble the wa-ter; the lead - er looks like the
 God's a-going to trou-ble the wa-ter; looks like the band that
 God's a-going to trou-ble the wa-ter; the Ho - ly Ghost a -
 God's a-going to trou-ble the wa-ter; just fol - low me down to

(Hum)

Is - ra - el - ite, God's a - going to trou - ble the wa - ter.
 Mo - ses led, God's a - going to trou - ble the wa - ter.
 com - ing on me, God's a - going to trou - ble the wa - ter.
 Jor - dan's stream, God's a - going to trou - ble the wa - ter.

D.C.

PRAYER LIST

*May the presence of Jesus Christ be with those on our prayer list and with those who care for them.
The prayers of the congregation are asked for:*

New to the Prayer List

Peter Abraham (Rich's brother)
Roberta Booze (Robin Miller's mother)
Margaret and Bill Brummel (Roger Henson's sister and brother-in-law)
Josephine Bugryn (Joy Indomenico's sister)
Sandyi & Ken Campbell (friends of Dianna Henson)
Chris G. (friend of Christie Burns and Reed Baer)
David Darling
Ellen Davis
Judy Desrochers
Betsy Eidem (friend of Carol Allen)
Sean F (friend of Rebecca Moberg & the Moberg family)
Tim Foster (friend of Carol Allen)
Steve Gaddis (Susan Moeller's nephew)
Jenny Giering (friend of Christie Burns)
Jay Griffin (Peggie Bretz' brother)
Sharon Griffin (Peggie Bretz' sister-in-law)
Lee Haselton
Barbara Hall (friend of the Siedsmas)
Jeanie Hill and family (friends of Greg Williams)
Brian Hughes (neighbor of Joyce Joakim)
Mike Hovan (friend of Dan Enos)

Jason (nephew of Joy Indomenico)
Scot Johnson
Rosanne Kean (friend of Robin Fryer)
Marty Lichterman (one of Van Northcross's best friends)
Ann Lee (friend of Robin Fryer)
Bob Lonkart
Marisa Lonkart (Georgia's and Bob's daughter-in-law)
Jackie Mague
Brad Martin (friend of Marianne and Greg Williams)
Stewart Nelson (friend of Lynn & Randy Parker)
Jack Parmer (friend of Carol Allen)
Randy Parker
Joan Perry
Sylvia Powers (friend of Barbara Rogers)
Savannah
Alexis Teixeira (Cousin of Barbara Walsh)
Ernie Walsh
Tom & Rhys White (Bruce and Pat White's family)
Lee Williams (mother of Tripp Grohe's friend, Mark Williams)
Nancy Woodman (friend of Marianne Williams)

Please notify the church office (508-362-4445) of any additions, deletions or changes you wish to make.

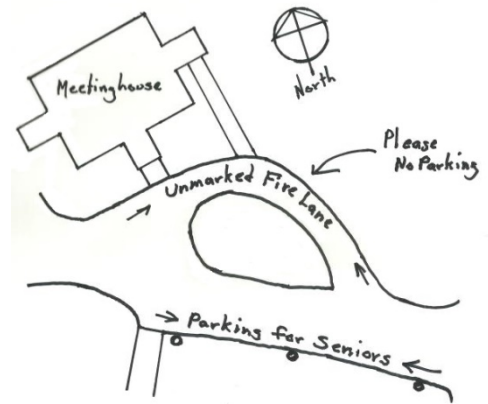
The Week of January 9, 2022

Sunday	1/9/22	10:00 am	Worship
Monday	1/10/22	12:45 pm 5:00 pm	Music Lessons (M) AA (J)
Tuesday	1/11/22	9:30 am 10:30 am 5:00 pm 6:30 pm	FS Science (J) FS Science (J) AA (J) Study Group (G)
Wednesday	1/12/22	9:30 am 10:30 am 12:00 pm 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) FS Science (J) Bible Study (Zoom) AA (J)
Thursday	1/13/22	9:15 am 1:00 pm 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	FS Science (J) Bridge Group (G) AA (J) AA (J)
Friday	1/14/22	9:30 am 10:30 am 10:30 am 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) FS Science (J) Knitting Group (G) AA (J)
Saturday	1/15/22	4:30 pm	Worship
Sunday	1/16/22	10:00 am	Worship

- ◆ **Assisted hearing devices are available upon request.**
- ◆ **The ushers today are** Sandy Clark, Ted Gould and Bobbie Jordan.
- ◆ **The flower sponsorship calendar is up!** Stop by the kiosk in Jenkins Hall and check the dates for next year and pick one to sponsor the flowers! For \$32, payable in the office, one of us on the flower committee will put together an arrangement for you and have it in place in the Meetinghouse.

We ask your cooperation in protecting the 1717 Meetinghouse by not parking your vehicle in or alongside the teardrop closest to the Meetinghouse. Although it is not marked, it is a FIRE LANE and preserves clear access to the Meetinghouse for Emergency Vehicles.

However, more parking is available. At least three, maybe four, spaces can be used on the west side of the Tear Drop for those with mobility issues.



Text to Give

If you haven't tried it out, it's easy:

1. Text 866-586-0169 (the give-by-text number for West Parish) and in the body of the message enter the amount you wish to donate and send.
2. You will receive a registration link. Click on it, enter your contact and payment information then press "Process."
3. After registration is complete, you will receive a verification text and receipt via email.

You only need to register and set up your payment information once.

For future giving, simply send a text with the amount you wish to give, and it will process automatically.

Add "West Parish Give by Text" as a contact on your phone to make it even easier!

If you have questions or would like help setting it up, see Marianne Williams.

Church Staff

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