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

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

January 16, 2022 10:00 a.m.

"Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it. And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them."

Mark 10:15

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

As The Deer

Martin Nystrom/arr. Douglas E. Wagner

As the deer panteth for the water, so my soul longeth after Thee.
You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship Thee.
You alone are my strength, my shield; to you alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship Thee.
I want You more than gold and silver, only You can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy giver, and the apple of my eye.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Based on Hebrews 10:24-25

Pastors Reed Baer and Christie Burns

One: Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.

Two: By ourselves, the spirit may be strong, but the flesh can be weak. In community we are stronger than when alone.

One: Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another.

Two: When life's trials can bring us down, we can find ourselves lifted up by companions who rejoice; when we feel alone and without a friend in the world, faithful companions remind us that yes, we are loved.

One: God's Spirit has called us together this winter's day to sing, to pray, to listen, to learn, to be restored.

Both: Therefore, let us worship, together.

HYMN #404 (Green)

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

BEECHER

UNISON PRAYER

As we gather this weekend, O God, we are mindful of your dreamers, of ones who are not content with the ways things are, but who dream of better days to come.

We remember Isaiah, and his dream of the restoration of the exiles from Babylon.

We remember Joseph, and his dream not to be afraid to take Mary as his wife.

We remember Henry Jacob and John Lothrop, and the dream of the freedom to worship as you called them.

We remember Martin Luther King, Jr., and his dream of the day when color barriers will no longer divide people.

We remember, and pray that we might be open to the dreamers you send to us today.

We remember, and pray that we, *even we*, might be your dreamers as well. 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 Over The Rainbow E.Y. Harburg & Harold Arlen

THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE Psalm 126; Mark 10:13-16

SERMON "Dreaming with Jesus – On God's Timetable" Pastor Reed

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

HYMN #445 (Green) "Be Thou My Vision" SLANE

ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS, AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

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.

GOD SENDS US FORTH

HYMN #477 (Green)

"God of Grace, and God of Glory"

CWM RHONDDA

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go

Albert L. Peace/arr. Don Phillips

O joy that seeks me through my pain, I cannot close my heart to Thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain that morn shall tearless be. George Matheson, 1882

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)

Jenny Giering (friend of Christie Burns)

Jay Griffin (Peggie Bretz' brother)

Sharon Griffin (Peggie Bretz' sister-in-law)

Lee Haselton

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)

The Week of January 16, 2022			
Sunday	1/16/22	10:00 am	Worship
Monday	1/17/22		Office Closed
	. ,	5:00 pm	AA (J)
Tuesday	1/18/22	9:30 am	FS Science (J)
		10:30 am	FS Science (J)
		12:45 pm	Music Lessons (M)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
		6:30 pm	Study Group (G)
		7:00 pm	Finance (Zoom)
Wednesday	1/19/22	9:30 am	FS Science (J)
		10:30 am	FS Science (J)
		12:00 pm	Bible Study (Zoom)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
		7:00 pm	Deacons (Zoom)
Thursday	1/20/22		Rooster Crows Articles Due
		9:15 am	FS Science (J)
		1:00 pm	Bridge Group (G)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
		7:00 pm	AA (J)
Friday	1/21/22	9:30 am	FS Science (J)
		10:30 am	FS Science (J)
		10:30 am	Knitting Group (G)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Saturday	1/22/22	4:30 pm	Worship
Sunday	1/23/22	10:00 am	Worship

• The flower sponsorship calendar is up! Stop by the kiosk in Jenkins Hall or call the office to check the dates available and pick one (or more) to sponsor the flowers. For \$32, payable in the office, one of the flower committee will put together an arrangement for you and have it in place in the Meetinghouse.

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, contact Marianne Williams.

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