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** 3rd Sunday in Lent

March 20, 2022

10:00 a.m.

"We're citizens of high heaven! We're waiting the arrival of the Savior, the Master, Jesus Christ, who will transform our earthy bodies into glorious bodies like his own." Philippians 3:20

All are invited to stay for the full service today. Church School is offered for the children at our 4:30 Saturday contemporary service.

### 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

Wondrous Love – Variation 1 "What wondrous love is this, O my soul..." Pastor Reed Baer

Robert Lau

\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Let us gather together

# All: And celebrate God's presence, power, and love.

One: God is our light and our salvation.

All: We journey together, putting our trust in God who leads.

One: God is the source of our hope.

All: In God we find our confidence.

One: God is our light and our salvation;

# All: Whom shall we fear? Let us worship God.

* HYMN #23 (Green)	"We Gather Together"	KREMSER
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# PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Loving God, you have come to us in Jesus to meet our needs and to go with us wherever life may lead us, yet often we do not recognize that you are with us.

All: Forgive us, and help us accept your love that never ends.

One: You have made wonderful promises to be with us always, yet often we do not believe them, and place trust in ourselves.

All: Forgive us, and help us accept your love that never ends.

One: Jesus was willing to go to any lengths to demonstrate how great is your love for your people, yet often we ignore the wonder, beauty and strength of that love.

# All: Forgive us, and help us accept your love that never ends.

One: Jesus longed to gather your people together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, yet often we are not willing to receive the love and care that Jesus offers.

### TIME OF SILENCE

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*One: Let us proclaim to each other the Good News of God's love and forgiveness:* **All: God spreads wings of love and covers us in forgiveness.** 

#### 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	Behold My Servant	Bruce Bengtson			
	THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED				
SCRIPTURE	Luke 13:31-35 (New Revised Standard Version) Philippians 3:17-4:1 (The Message)				
SERMON	"Fox, Hen, Cross, Passport"				
THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS					
*HYMN #218 (Red)	"O Jesus, I Have Promised"	ANGEL'S STORY			
ANNOUNCEMENTS	, JOYS, AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH				
CALL TO PRAYER One: God be <b>Many: And</b> One: Let us p	also with you.				
	sion of the prayer, all are invited forward to light a pr angible symbol of a prayer which lies close to your hea				
INVITATION TO OF	FERING OUR GIFTS				

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

### GOD SENDS US FORTH

\*HYMN # 345 (Green) "God Be with You Till We Meet Again" GOD BE WITH YOU

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE

In The Cross of Christ I Glory RATHBUN Ithamar Conkey/arr. John Carter (It is our custom to remain seated in silence during the Postlude)

\* All who wish, please stand.

All are invited to join together for fellowship and refreshments following the service.

### 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

#### Joanne Wastrom

(wife of former Foundation Trustee Bob Wastrom and friend of Donna & Tripp Grohe)

Peter Abraham (Rich's brother) Karolina Atsalis (friend of the Abrahams) Winsome Bell (friend of Robin Fryer) *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) 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 Marty Lichterman (one of Van Northcross's best friends) **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) Nancy Opp (friend of Bobbie Jordan) *Jack Parmer* (friend of Carol Allen) Joan Perry Sylvia Powers (friend of Barbara Rogers) Savannah *Nick Sherman* (friend of the Abrahams) 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.

	r	The Week of March 20, 20	22
Sunday	3/20/22	10:00 am	Worship
Monday	3/21/22	5:00 pm	AA (J)
Tuesday	3/22/22	9:30 am	FS Science (J)
		10:30 am	FS Science (J)
		11:45 am	Music Lessons (M)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
		6:15 pm	Handbells (M)
		6:30 pm	Study Group (G)
Wednesday	3/23/22	9:30 am	FS Science (J)
		10:30 am	FS Science (J)
		12:00 pm	Bible Study (G & Zoom)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Thursday	3/24/22	9:15 am	FS Science (J)
		1:00 pm	Bridge Group (G)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
		7:00 pm	AA (J)
Friday	3/25/22	9:30 am	FS Science (J)
-		10:30 am	FS Science (J)
		10:30 am	Knitting Group (G)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Saturday	3/26/22	4:30 pm	Worship
Sunday	3/27/22	10:00 am	Worship

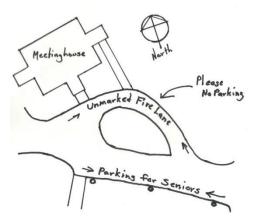
• The ushers today are Lynn & Randy Parker and Ted Gould.

• The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today were arranged by Chris Haven.

- Coffee Hour today is hosted by Peggie Bretz and Sarah Wyatt.
- 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.
- **The Coffee Hour sign up** is on the kiosk in Jenkins. If you can spare a little of your time to help with preparing and serving at our Sunday *Coffee Hour* it would be greatly appreciated. It's a wonderful way to socialize with old friends and to make new ones. Thank you.

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

Reed Baer, Pastor and Teacher Donna Murphy, Music Director Kristen Lind, Family School Director Wendy Northcross, Council Chair Christine Burns, Associate Pastor Susan McEwen, Office Administrator Joseph Findlay, Sexton Susan Moeller, Deacons Chair

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