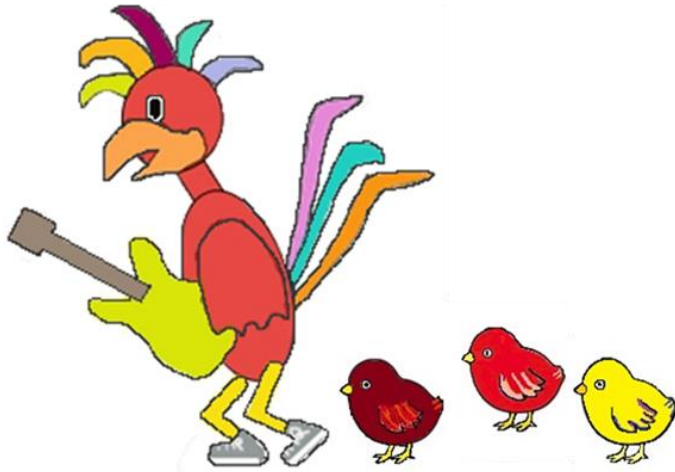


*It's Saturday*



# **Let's Do Church!**

WEST PARISH OF BARNSTABLE  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

April 30

4:30 p.m.

**BE THE CHURCH**

**Forgiveness**

**Fight for the powerless.**

*"So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other." John 13:34*

## OUR STATEMENT OF WELCOME

We are:

PROGRESSIVELY UNTRADITIONAL: 21st century minds in a 1717 Meetinghouse!

**Embrace diversity.**

JOYOUSLY INCLUSIVE: Radically open and affirming, all ages, races, gender and sexual orientation, everyone is welcome exactly as you are.

EXPRESSLY "ON THE WAY": Faith is a journey. Journey with us!

COMMITTEDLY IN THE COMMUNITY: In helping others, we become our true selves.

## GOD GATHERS US



\*OPENING SONG #206      I Danced in the Morning  
**I danced in the morning when the world was begun,  
and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,  
and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth;  
at Bethlehem I had my birth.**

### *Refrain*

**Dance, then, wherever you may be;  
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he,  
and I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,  
and I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he.**

**I danced for the scribe and the pharisee,  
but they would not dance and they wouldn't follow me;  
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John,  
they came with me and the Dance went on.**

### *Refrain*

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame,  
the holy people said it was a shame;  
they whipped and they stripped and they hung me on high,  
and left me there on a cross to die.

### *Refrain*

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black,  
it's hard to dance with the devil on your back;  
they buried my body and they thought I'd gone,  
but I am the Dance and I still go on.

### *Refrain*

They cut me down and I leapt up high;  
I am the life that'll never, never die;  
I'll live in you if you'll live in me;  
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

### *Refrain*

## WELCOME

*One: Welcome home, whether this is your first visit or you have been here for years. We are glad you are here with us today whether joining us online or in person. Hello, I'm Pastor Pam Wannie, grateful to be asked to be with you today as Pastor Christie and Pastor Reed celebrate their daughter's wedding, and, we have Steve Gregory as our musician and together we are*

**All: ONE diverse community  
Growing up in faith  
Reaching out in love**

*One: It is good when God's people are together here, and so we can rejoice, because,*

**All: It's Saturday, Let's do church!**



## CALL TO WORSHIP

We are one body, joined in spirit and

**We are called to love.**

Even when we seem so different from each other

**We are called to love.**

Even when we do not share the same notions about our life political

**We are called to love.**

Even when we are angry, or frustrated, or hurt, or afraid

**We are called to love.**

Even when we have not been treated in a just and equitable manner

**We are called to love.**

We are called to listen for understanding, to tear down the barriers that separate us from each other and from God.

**We are called to love.**

## OPENING PRAYER

**Loving God, soften our hearts, open our minds, let us feel your peace as the disciples felt Jesus breathe peace into them and help us to learn how to forgive so that we may better connect to self, to others and to Love.**

**Forgive often.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (we will sing this in echo fashion)

**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 all our sins...**

**And lead us not...into temptation.... but deliver us from evil.**

Unison:

**For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory**

Echo:

**Forever.....and ever....**

**Our Father....who art in Heaven....hallowed be thy name.**

## A TIME OF PRAYER



A TIME FOR CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

A SONG OF PRAYER

INVITATION TO SHARING OUR GIFTS

*Text to Give instructions are on page 10.*

Care for the poor.

Share earthly and spiritual resources.

## THE BREAD OF LIFE AND THE CUP OF NEW BEGINNINGS ARE SHARED



(Our service of communion is open to all seeking Christ's presence.  
Whether children receive the elements we leave to their parents' discretion.)

INVITATION

One: Because there is one bread, we who are many make one body,

**All: for we all partake of the one bread.**

One: In Christ, God breaks down the walls that make us strangers to ourselves, and divide us from one another.

**All: We are the body of Christ.**

One: At this table, we bear witness to our faith.

**All: At this table, God brings wholeness out of brokenness, and healing to our world.**

**Let us break bread together.**



#### PRAYER OF COMMUNION

**Loving God, you made this wonderful world for us to enjoy. You showed our ancestors how to care for one another. You gave us Jesus to be our friend and to bring us closer to you. He died on a cross, but you brought him to life, to live with us forever. You send us your Spirit and bring us to this table so that we can share your love. For all the goodness we give you thanks, and together we give you praise.**

#### DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

(We offer a covid-safe communion cup and wafer system of grape juice and cracker.)

On the night before he died, Jesus took bread, and after giving thanks, he broke it, and gave it to those sitting around him, saying, *“take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”* In the same way after supper, he took the cup, saying: *“This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me.”*

#### UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**Loving God, we rejoice in the gift of your grace, remembering Christ’s life and death, proclaiming his resurrection, waiting in hope for his coming again. Grant that in praise and thanksgiving, we may so offer ourselves to you that our lives may proclaim the mystery of faith. Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED



SPECIAL SONG

*Down To The River To Pray*

Traditional



SACRED WORDS FOR SACRED SPACE

Ephesians 4:32 and John 20:19-31

MEDITATION

*Forgive all the Way*

Pastor Pam

## GOD SENDS US FORTH



CLOSING SONG #95

Be Still My Soul

**Be still, my soul: for God is on your side;  
bear patiently the cross of grief or pain.  
Trust in your God, your savior and your guide,  
who through changes faithful will remain.**

**Be still my soul: for God will undertake  
to guide the future surely as the past.  
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;  
all now mysterious shall be bright at last.**

**Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on  
when we shall dwell with God forevermore,**

**when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone.  
sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.**

WORDS OF SENDING

May the grace of God, deeper than our imagination;  
The strength of Christ, stronger than our need;  
And the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
Richer than our togetherness; guide us and sustain us  
Today and in all our tomorrows. Amen.



**Love God.**

SONG OF SENDING

Go In Peace

Rob Leveridge

**Go in peace  
Go in kindness  
Go in love  
Go in faith  
Leave the day  
The day behind us  
Day is done  
Go in grace  
Let us go  
Into the dark  
Not afraid  
Not alone  
Let us hope  
By some good pleasure  
Safely to  
Arrive at home  
Let us hope  
By some good pleasure  
Safely to  
Arrive at home.**



## **WE ARE GLAD YOU WORSHIPPED WITH US TODAY!**

All people, young and old and in-between,  
are lifted up wherever they are on the journey.  
We look forward to worshipping with you again soon!  
Pastors Christie Burns and Reed Baer

Thank you to Rev. Pamela Wannie for leading us in worship this afternoon. She is delighted to be here at West Parish Church, a place that she holds close to her heart. Currently, Pam is the Founding Pastor of Here Now Ministries, an outdoor ministry whose mission is to build bridges between the housed and unhoused communities on Cape Cod. Additionally, her full time call is as a Spiritual Care Provider and manager of a Zero Suicide Initiative at Duffy Health Center.

Rev. Wannie is a 2016 graduate of Andover Newton Theological Seminary where she received a Masters of Divinity with certificates in Pastoral Care and Ministerial Leadership. Additionally she has certificates in Church Renewal and Vitality through the Center for Progressive Renewal, Conflict Transformation through the Brookfield Institute and is a certified Grief Counselor. Pam has also authored “Our Common Home” as part of the larger work “One Nation Indivisible: Seeking Liberty and Justice from the Pulpit to the Streets” (2019).

Prior to being ordained in 2017, Pam was a professional minister of music, music educator and accompanist. She lives on Cape Cod with her husband Adam, a mental health clinician, and with her two college-age children who spent their early years here at West Parish preschool where Pam taught preschool music.

Our “Saturday School” is underway, a special class for our youngsters, held over in Jenkins Hall, led by Pastor Reed and an adult lay teacher/volunteer, during the last 20 minutes of the service. Interested in joining in as a teacher or an extra pair of hands, speak to Reed after church.

Christie holds coffee hours by appointment at Nirvana Coffee shop in Barnstable Village or Snowy Owl in Sandwich. Call, text, or email her for an appointment: 508-494-6409; [associatepastor@westparish.org](mailto:associatepastor@westparish.org)

*Protect the environment.*

by recycling this bulletin.

## Text to Give!

We are excited to announce that West Parish accepts donations via text! 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 and enter your contact and payment information, and 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!

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## Week of April 30, 2022

<b>Saturday</b>	4/30/22	4:30 pm	Worship
<b>Sunday</b>	5/1/22	10:00 am	Worship
<b>Monday</b>	5/2/22	5:00 pm	AA (J)
<b>Tuesday</b>	5/3/22	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)
<b>Wednesday</b>	5/4/22	9:30 am	FS Science (J)
		10:30 am	FS Science (J)
		12:00 pm	Bible Study (G & Z)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
<b>Thursday</b>	5/5/22	9:15 am	FS Science (J)
		10:00 am	Crafters (J)
		1:00 pm	Bridge Group (G)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
		7:00 pm	AA (J)
<b>Friday</b>	5/6/22	9:00 am	Stewardship (G)
		9:30 am	FS Science (J)
		10:30 am	FS Science (J)
		10:30 pm	Knitting Group (G)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
<b>Saturday</b>	5/7/22	4:30 pm	Worship

# BE THE CHURCH

*Protect the environment.*

*Care for the poor.*

**Forgive often.**

**Reject racism.**

**Fight for the powerless.**

*Share earthly and spiritual resources.*

**Embrace diversity.**

**Love God.**

**Enjoy this life.**

*God is still speaking,*  
**UNITED CHURCH  
OF CHRIST**

