

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

Pentecost

June 5, 2022

10:00 a.m.

"I will pour out my Spirit on every kind of people..."

Acts 2:16

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

Pastor Reed Baer

PRELUDE

Send Us Your Spirit, O Lord

Dan Schutte

SCRIPTURE

This is who we are! Romans 8:14-17

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Reed Baer

One: It is understandable if neighbors and passersby are confused. There are so many problems in our world: war in Europe, climate change, gun violence, tremendous inequality, the persistence of racism, to name a few. Yet, we gather together to sing songs of praise, rejoice and embrace a renewed energy. It can all look a bit - strange.

All: But we are heirs of God and joint heirs of Christ. This is our identity, it is who we are.

One: It is understandable if neighbors and passersby are confused. Daily we are confronted by expressions of hatred and mistrust. Yet, here we speak the language of welcome where none are left out, no matter their origin, ethnicity, gender, age, orientation, or any of the many ways hatred is nurtured. It can all look a bit - strange.

All: But we are heirs of God and joint heirs of Christ. This is our identity, it is who we are.

One: It is understandable if neighbors and passersby are confused. Everyone thought this liberating, justice-proclaiming Kingdom of God movement was all over. Jesus was executed. The movement should be dead as well. Yet, here we gather with the expectancy that God's spirit is on the loose and the movement continues to unfold. It can all look a bit - strange.

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One: Then let us worship the One whose spirit shapes us into a new people, giving witness to the hope that is ours.

All: We lift our voice in praise to the God of all Creation, praying that the Spirit of the Living God will fall afresh on each of us, and all of us. Amen!

*HYMN #281 (Green)

“Spirit of the Living God”
sing through twice

IVERSON

UNISON PRAYER *A prayer for power!*

Holy One, may the POWER of your spirit blow through our midst this day, filling our lungs with energy, vitality, and an eagerness to serve.

May the POWER of your spirit ignite a fire within us that knows no fear, giving us the courage to be your people.

May the POWER of your spirit open our hearts and loosen our tongues so with boldness we may proclaim your vision of love and justice for all people and all Creation. 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

Send Your Holy Spirit

Rick Swenton & Kevin Keil

THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE

Acts 2:1-21 The Message

MESSAGE

“You Got the Power!”

Pastor Reed

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

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.
Text to Give instructions are on the back page.*

OFFERTORY

*SONG OF PRAISE

**O God, may we who bear your name
By gentle love your grace proclaim,
Christ's gift of peace on earth declare
And your anointing Spirit share. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE BREAD AND CUP ARE SHARED

(Our service of communion is open to all seeking Christ's presence.)

*HYMN #316 (Green) *"Let us Talents and Tongues Employ"* LINSTEAD

INVITATION

THE COMMUNION PRAYER

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We give you thanks, O God, that you have come to us through Jesus Christ, in the midst of time and history in the town of Bethlehem, on a plain in Galilee where 5000 were fed, on a cross at the town dump, on the road to Emmaus on Easter, and in the timeless presence of Christ's Spirit as we receive the gifts of bread and wine. Send us out into the world rejoicing, ready to share your love with the people we meet; through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.

GOD SENDS US FORTH

*HYMN #257 (Green) *"This Is the Day"* THIS IS THE DAY

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE

One Spirit, One Church

Kevin Keil

(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.

Thank you to Becket Senchur for filling in for Donna Murphy on the organ.

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:*

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)
Sandy & Ken Campbell (friends of Dianna Henson)
David Darling
Eli (friend of Sandy Siedsma)
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)
J.P. Joakim (Joyce Joakim's son)
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
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
Sophie (Joyce Joakim's sister in law)
Nick Sherman (friend of the Abrahams)
Alexis Teixeira (cousin of Barbara Walsh)
Mary-Ann Tu
Joanne Wastrom (wife of former 1717 Trustee Bob Wastrom and friend of Donna & Tripp Grohe)
Bruce White
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.

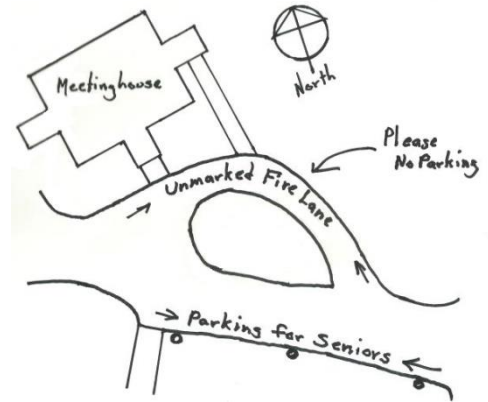
The Week of June 5, 2022

Sunday	6/5/22	10:00 am	Worship
Monday	6/6/22	5:00 pm 7:00 pm	AA (J) Deacons (G)
Tuesday	6/7/22	9:30 am 10:30 am 11:45 am 5:00 pm 6:15 pm 6:30 pm	FS Science (J) FS Science (J) Music Lessons (M) AA (J) Handbells (M) Study Group (G)
Wednesday	6/8/22	8:00 am 9:30 am 10:30 am 4:00 pm 5:00 pm	Men's Breakfast at Jack's Outback FS Science (J) FS Science (J) FS Board (G) AA (J)
Thursday	6/9/22	9:15 am 10:00 am 1:00 pm 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	FS Science (J) Crafters (J) Bridge Group (G) AA (J) AA (J)
Friday	6/10/22	9:30 am 10:30 am 10:30 am 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) FS Science (J) Knitting Group (G) AA (J)
Saturday	6/11/22	11:00 am 4:30 pm	Baker Memorial Service (M&J) Worship
Sunday	6/12/22	10:00 am	Worship

- ♦ **The ushers today** are members of the Board of Deacons.
- ♦ **Coffee Hour is hosted today** by Jane Ketchen and Karen Datlowe.
- ♦ **The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today** were arranged by Lynn Parker.
- ♦ **The flower sponsorship calendar is up and there are lots of opportunities to sponsor a week!** 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

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