

# *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**

August 14, 2022

10:00 a.m.

*“When I was a child, Mama had the best voice of all the members of the church. She had loved to sing. Her words had soared like an angel's over the swells of the organ. In fact, I now suspected, her entire theology had been taken from the hymnal. - Siri Mitchell*

*“One who sings prays twice.” - Anon*

All are invited to stay for the full service today.  
Our Saturday service and Saturday School are off until September.

## 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

Margaret Housman

PRELUDE

Praise To The Lord, The Almighty  
LOBE DEN HERREN *from Stralsund Gesangbuch, 1665* arr. John Carter

\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Based on Psalm 104

*One: Praise the Lord, my soul!*

**All: Lord, our God, you are very great!**

*One: You are clothed with splendor and majesty.*

**All: May the glory of the Lord endure forever;**

*One: We will sing to the Lord, all our lives,*

**Many: We will sing praise to God as long as we shall live. God of glory, we praise you today.**

\*HYMN # 327 (Green) “I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry”  
(a favorite hymn of Mindy Abbott)

WATERLIFE

*(Unless otherwise noted, we will be singing the first two verses of all hymns today)*

UNISON PRAYER

God of music who had the angels sing at Jesus’ birth, we praise you for the gift of our voices that allow us to sing the feelings of our hearts to you with hymns. We praise you for your accepting our expressions of love for you whether we sing with great talent or struggle to stay on key. We praise you for composers and poets who through their hymns have given expression to our deepest emotions. May these singing prayers inspire us to bring joy to those who are sorrowing; justice to those whose lives are filled with dissonance because of prejudice or poverty; and Jesus’ compassion to those who are in need of an uplifting word. Through our following the song of faithful discipleship, may we bring peace-filled harmony to our out-of-tune world. Amen.

SOLO

When In Our Music God Is Glorified  
Fred Pratt Green & Charles V. Stanford/Setting Harriet Ziegenhals

### THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE Psalm 33:1-5; The Acts 16:25-34 Steve Musselman

MESSAGE How Hymns Speak to My Heart

Margaret Housman "How Great Thou Art" (vs 1 & 4) #591 (Green)  
Steve Musselman "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart" #224 (Green)  
Susan Moeller "Joy to the World" #134 (Green)

### THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

\*HYMN #237 (insert) "I Come to the Garden Alone" IN THE GARDEN  
(a favorite hymn of Barbara Cameron)

ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS, AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH Susan Moeller

CALL TO PRAYER

*One: God be with you.*

**Many: And also with you.**

*One: Let us pray.*

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.**

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

Offertory on "Bethany"

Lowell Mason/arr. Gerald Peterson

\*SONG OF PRAISE

**Your name we bless, O risen Lord,  
And sing today with one accord.  
The life laid down, the life restored;  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.**

\*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Generous God, we return to you a small portion of what you have given to us.  
May these gifts and our ardent dedication to following Christ bring songs of  
hope and peace to those in greatest need. Amen.**

**GOD SENDS US FORTH**

\*HYMN # 427 (Green)      *“My Life Flows On In Endless Song”*  
HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING  
(a favorite hymn of Susan McEwen)

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE                      Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee  
Ludwig van Beethoven/arr. Don Hustad  
*(It is our custom to remain seated in silence during the Postlude)*

\* All who wish, please stand.  
Those arriving late may be seated during hymns and musical responses.  
**All are invited to join together for fellowship and refreshments following the service.**

**Beta Readers Group**

Bob is completing a readers theater resource on the history of slavery to the present realities of race and a book on "Win or Lose We Love You Anyway - Faith / Sports - Life Lessons."

Before sending for publication, he was hoping to have a trial reading of the resource and a discussion on "faith and sports."

Please let him or the office know if you would like to help and participate in the reading or the book discussion. He will find a convenient time and date to have the meetings. They will run no more than 90 minutes.

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## I Come to the Garden Alone

(In the Garden)

John 20:14-18

C. Austin Miles, 1912

1 I come to the gar - den a - lone, while the dew is still on the  
 2 He speaks, and the sound of his voice is so sweet the birds hush their  
 3 I'd stay in the gar - den with him, though the night a - round me be

ros - es; And the voice I hear, fall - ing on my ear, the  
 sing - ing; And the mel - o - dy that he gave to me with -  
 fall - ing; But he bids me go; through the voice of woe his

*Refrain*  
 Son of God dis - clos - es.  
 in my heart is ring - ing. And he walks with me, and he  
 voice to me is call - ing.

talks with me, and he tells me I am his own, And the  
 joy we share as we tar - ry there, none oth - er has ev - er known.

## 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)  
**Dottie Brower**  
**Margaret and Bill Brummel** (Roger Henson's sister and brother-in-law)  
**Josephine Bugryn** (Joy Indomenico's sister)  
**Ellen Davis**  
**Judy Desrochers**  
**Betsy Eidem** (friend of Carol Allen)  
**Jay Griffin** (Peggie Bretz' brother)  
**Sharon Griffin** (Peggie Bretz' sister-in-law)  
**Christine Hayes** (Stepmother of Lauren Abraham)  
**Mike Hovan** (friend of Dan Enos)  
**Jason** (nephew of Joy Indomenico)  
**J.P. Joakim** (Joyce Joakim's son)  
**Georgia Lonkart**, on the passing of her husband Bob  
**Marisa Lonkart** (Georgia's daughter-in-law)  
**Jackie Mague**  
**Robin Miller**, on the passing of her mother, Roberta Booze  
**Jim Miller**, on the passing of his brother Frank Miller  
**Nancy Opp** (friend of Bobbie Jordan)  
**Jack Parmer** (friend of Carol Allen)  
**Joan Perry**  
**Sylvia Powers** (friend of Barbara Rogers)  
**Savannah** (friend of Sharon and John Hunt)  
**Sophie** (Joyce Joakim's sister in law)  
**Marilyn Swain** (Janet Joakim's aunt)  
**Alexis Teixeira** (cousin of Barbara Walsh)  
**Mary-Ann Tu**  
**Joanne Wastrom** (wife of former 1717 Trustee Bob Wastrom and friend of Donna & Tripp Grohe)  
**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.*

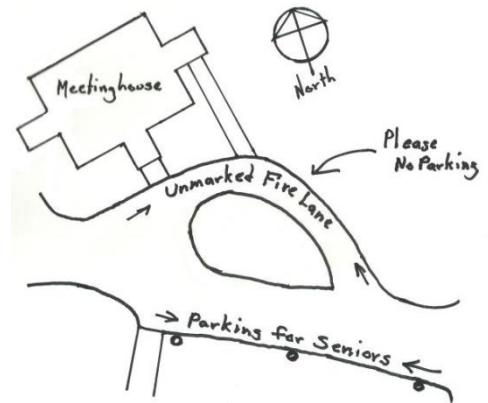
### The Week of August 14, 2022

<b>Sunday</b>	8/14/22	10:00 am	Worship
<b>Monday</b>	8/15/22	5:00 pm	AA (J)
<b>Tuesday</b>	8/16/22	10:00 am	Music Lessons (M)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
		6:30 pm	Study Group (G)
		7:00 pm	Finance (J)
<b>Wednesday</b>	8/17/22	5:00 pm	AA (J)
<b>Thursday</b>	8/18/22		<b>Rooster Crows Articles Due</b>
		10:00 am	Crafters (J)
		1:00 pm	Bridge Group (G)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
<b>Friday</b>	8/19/22	10:30 am	Knitting Group (G)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
		7:00 pm	Michael Tougias (M)
<b>Saturday</b>	8/20/22	9:00 am	Yard Sale (Tear Drop)
<b>Sunday</b>	8/21/22	10:00 am	Worship

- ◆ **The ushers today are** Sharon & Bob Wyman, Donna Grohe and Bobbie Jordan.
- ◆ **Coffee Hour today** is hosted by Sarah Wyatt (there'll be ice cream bars!).
- ◆ **The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today** were given by Roy Thomas in memory of Jeanette. They were arranged by Kelly Washburn.
- ◆ **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**

Reed Baer, Pastor and Teacher  
Donna Murphy, Music Director  
Kristen Lind, Family School Director  
Wendy Northcross, Council Chair

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