

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 21, 2022

10:00 a.m.

“When admiring other people's gardens, don't forget to tend to your own flowers.”

— Sanober Khan

“For as the soil makes the sprout come up and a garden causes seeds to grow, so the Sovereign Lord will make righteousness and praise spring up before all nations.” Isaiah 61:11

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

Rev. Robert Naylor

PRELUDE

Prelude on "Dix"

Tune by Conrad Kocher/Lani Smith

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come and sing to God who reigns above...

All: Come, let us learn how to plant the seeds of God's love!

One: Come and sing of God's call to us to be creators of beauty in all that we do...

All: Come, let us gain the courage to weed out all that would seek to choke out the growth of God's realm in the world!

Let us worship the God who calls us to plant and water the love of Jesus into a world that hungers for Good News!

*HYMN # 66 (Green)

"O How Glorious, Full of Wonder"

IN BABILONE

UNISON PRAYER

God of all nature, we open ourselves to your planting the fruit of the Spirit within the good soil of our souls. May your love be in full blossom in our every word and deed. May our joy bring sunlight to those who suffer in darkness. May your peace take root in us so we are gracious at all times. May your patience and kindness grow in us so we can be like a refreshing rain to those whose souls are parched because of hatred and injustice. And Holy gardener, may we be gentle in tending Your garden so that it flourishes and brings eternal beauty and sustenance to all your children. Amen.

SOLO

Thy Word Is Like a Garden, Lord

arr. Robert J. Powell

THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

A BRIEF CHILDREN'S SERMON

SCRIPTURE Psalm 8 Matthew 13:1-9

MESSAGE "Lessons from the Master Gardener" Rev. Bob Naylor

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

*HYMN #258 (Green) "Morning Has Broken" BUNESSAN

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

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 Serenity Beatrice A. Miller

*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

You have planted within us a spirit of abounding generosity. We give you these gifts so that the seeds of your love and justice may bring an abundant harvest of blessings to those in greatest need. Amen.

GOD SENDS US FORTH

*HYMN # 167 (Green)

“Arise, Your Light Has Come”

FESTAL SONG

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE

Go Forth In Peace

Tom Birchwood

(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.

revball11@yahoo.com contact@westparish.org

Tear off and return give to Bob

Sign me up! _____

email _____

phone # _____

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 *Bruce and Pat White*

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.

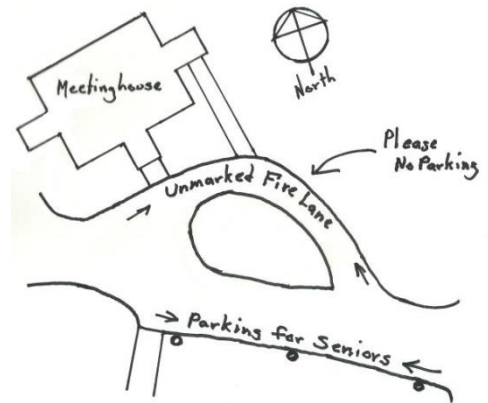
The Week of August 21, 2022

Sunday	8/21/22	10:00 am	Worship
Monday	8/22/22	5:00 pm	AA (J)
Tuesday	8/23/22	11:45 am 5:00 pm 6:30 pm	Music Lessons (M) AA (J) Study Group (G)
Wednesday	8/24/22	5:00 pm	AA (J)
Thursday	8/25/22	10:00 am 1:00 pm 5:00 pm	Crafters (J) Bridge Group (G) AA (J)
Friday	8/26/22	10:00 am 10:30 am 5:00 pm	Lonkart Internment Knitting Group (G) AA (J)
Saturday	8/27/22		
Sunday	8/28/22	10:00 am 11:30 am	Worship Deacons (G)

- ◆ **The ushers today are** Karen Datlowe, Lunn & Randy Parker and Ted Gould.
- ◆ **Please join us for fellowship at our Garden Sunday Coffee Hour today.**
- ◆ **The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today** were arranged by Sharon Hunt.
- ◆ **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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