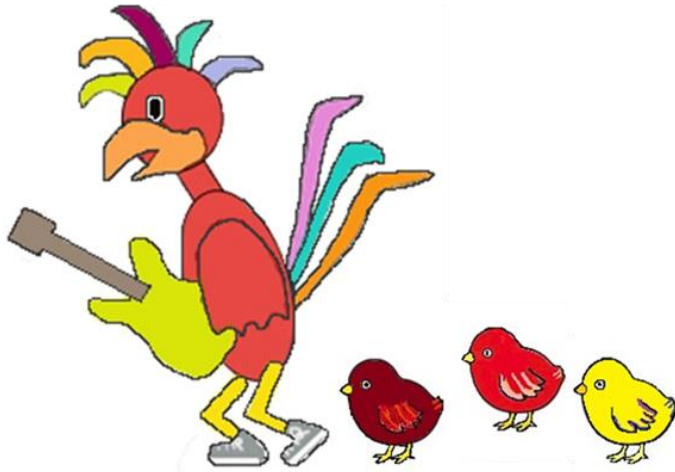


**It's Saturday**



# **Let's Do Church!**

WEST PARISH OF BARNSTABLE  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

February 4, 2023

4:30 p.m.

**BE THE CHURCH**

**Fight for the powerless.**

**Shine ON!**

*“Here’s another way to put it: You’re here to be light, bringing out the God-colors in the world. God is not a secret to be kept. We’re going public with this, as public as a city on a hill. If I make you light-bearers, you don’t think I’m going to hide you under a bucket, do you? I’m putting you on a light stand. Now that I’ve put you there on a hilltop, on a light stand — shine!” - Matthew 5:14-16*

## 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

This Little Light of Mine

Green 364

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine;  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine;  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine;  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

This great joy I have, I'm gonna let it shine;  
This great joy I have, I'm gonna let it shine;  
This great joy I have, I'm gonna let it shine;  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Ev-'ry-where I go I'm gonna let it shine;  
Ev-'ry-where I go I'm gonna let it shine;  
Ev-'ry-where I go I'm gonna let it shine;  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

All-through the night I'm gonna let it shine;  
All-through the night I'm gonna let it shine;  
All-through the night I'm gonna let it shine;  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine;  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine;  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine;  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

WELCOME

Pastor Christie

*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. Hello, I'm Pastor Christie, here's Pastor Reed  
and here's Steve, John, Eddie and Bob 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

Jesus said: You are the light of the world.

Let our light shine, giving glory to God.

Do all things for the sake of the gospel.

So may we share in the blessings of God.

He called out: Whom shall I send?

I answered: Here I am; send me.

OPENING PRAYER

Oh God, sometimes we shrink from the light thinking we cannot possibly offer enough to help the world, or even ourselves. You call us to step out into the light, into the sunshine and see how wonderful the world is. When we look in the mirror, help us to see the God-light shining from our faces. Give us hope when it seems all to be too much. Give us faith when we wonder how to keep going. We will do our best to stay salty and be the light. Amen.

# 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.)  
We shall be receiving communion by the ancient practice of intinction.  
Come forward, take a piece of the bread, dip it in the cup,  
and consume it on the way back to your seat.

## INVITATION



## PRAYER OF COMMUNION

### DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

(We offer a Covid-safe communion cup and wafer system of grape juice and cracker  
and Communion by intinction.)

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God, you are the alpha and omega, the beginning and the end and all that comes in  
between. We give thanks for the simple things of life: bread and juice and  
remembrance. Thank you for remembering us even now, even today. Amen.

*The children and their teachers may now go over to Jenkins Hall for Saturday School.*

## THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED



## SPECIAL SONG

I Saw The Light

Hank Williams



SACRED WORDS FOR SACRED SPACE

Matthew 5:13-20

MEDITATION

*Stay Salty!*

Rev. Christine E. Burns

### GOD SENDS US FORTH



CLOSING SONG

We are Walking in the Light of God

Green 366

We are walking in the light of God,  
we are walking in the light of God.  
We are walking in the light of God,  
we are walking in the light of God.

We are walking in the light of the light of God.  
We are walking, walking,  
we are walking, walking ,  
we are walking in the light of God.

We are marching in the light of God,  
we are marching in the light of God.  
We are marching in the light of God,  
we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching in the light of the light of God.  
We are marching, marching,  
we are marching, marching ,  
we are marching in the light of God.

We are singing in the light of God,  
we are singing in the light of God.  
We are singing in the light of God,  
we are singing in the light of God.

We are singing in the light of the light of God.  
We are singing, singing,  
we are singing, singing,  
we are singing in the light of God.

We are dancing in the light of God,  
we are dancing in the light of God.  
We are dancing in the light of God,  
we are dancing in the light of God.

We are dancing in the light of the light of God.  
We are dancing, dancing,  
we are dancing, dancing,  
we are dancing in the light of God.

We are praying in the light of God,  
we are praying in the light of God.  
We are praying in the light of God,  
we are praying in the light of God.

We are praying in the light of the light of God.  
We are praying, praying,  
we are praying, praying,  
we are praying in the light of God.

WORDS OF SENDING

"You are the salt of the earth."

Sprinkle us across our town, God,

across our world,

to bring the flavor of your Kingdom wherever we go.

"You are the light of the world."

Uncover the radiance that is within us, God, to shine the truth of your love wherever we go.

"Let your light shine before others"

that everyone we meet may see our lives of worship and glorify you, our God who is in heaven. 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

Our "Saturday School" is underway, a special class for our youth, 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 11:30 am to 1:30 pm at Bread & Roses in Hyannis on Mondays. Call, text, or email her for an appointment: 508-494-6409; [associatepastor@westparish.org](mailto:associatepastor@westparish.org)



by recycling this bulletin.

### Text to Give!

West Parish is now accepting donations via text! It's easy:

1. Text 866-593-7761 (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 February 4, 2023**

<b>Saturday</b>	2/4/23	4:30 pm	Worship
<b>Sunday</b>	2/5/23	10:00 am 2:00 pm	Worship Score Music Recital (J)
<b>Monday</b>	2/6/23	11:30 am 5:00 pm	Christie's Coffee Hours at Bread + Roses AA (J)
<b>Tuesday</b>	2/7/23	9:30 am 10:30 am 10:30 am 12:30 pm 3:00 pm 3:15 pm 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) FS Science (J) Choir Rehearsal (M) Music Lessons (M) FS Staff (G) Music Lessons (M) AA (J)
<b>Wednesday</b>	2/8/23	9:30 am 10:30 am 12:00 pm 4:00 pm 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	FS Science (J) FS Science (J) Bible Study (G & Z) FS Board (G & Z) AA (J) Women in the Spirit at 8 Earl Rd., E. Sandwich
<b>Thursday</b>	2/9/23	8:00 am 4:30 pm 5:00 pm	Men's Breakfast at Jack's Outback Visioning Team (G) AA (J)
<b>Friday</b>	2/10/23	9:30 am 10:30 am 10:30 am 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) FS Science (J) Knitting Group (G) AA (J)
<b>Saturday</b>	2/11/23	4:30 pm	Worship Service

**Key:** FS = Family School; G = Guild Room; J = Jenkins Hall; M = Meetinghouse; Z = Zoom

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**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**

