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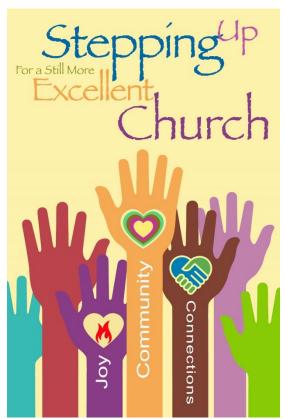
Gathered in London 1616 - Present Meetinghouse Erected in 1717

A Church in the Congregational Tradition

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

West Barnstable, Massachusetts





THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP
4th Sunday of Easter

April 30, 2023

10:00 a.m.

But I trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the LORD because he has dealt bountifully with me. – Psalm 13:5-6

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

*HYMN #215 (Green)

"Joy Dawned Again on Easter Day"

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RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Reed Baer

One: Christ is risen!

Many: Christ is risen indeed!

One: Come, let us gather once again, this Fourth Sunday of Easter, to hear the Good News of God's mighty deeds for our salvation.

Many: May we have open hearts, ready to listen eagerly for the Word of God.

One: Come, let the gathered Body of Christ gather for praise and prayer and song,

Many: That the risen Christ might be present in and among us.

PRELUDE

Crown Him With Many Crowns

George J. Elvey/arr. Victor Labenske

"Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon the throne; Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own. Awake, my soul, and sing of Christ who died for you, and to your risen Savior bring your thanks for life made new."

UNISON PRAYER

Dear God, we know that for you there are no barriers, no stones too big to remove. And so we pray that you would roll away our resistance to you. Let your words fill us with new life, and bring us out from the tomb of indifference, alive again in you.

We pray together, with all the saints above and here below, as Jesus taught us, saying . . .

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.

ANTHEM 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Jonas Myrin & Matt Redman/arr. Lloyd Larson

THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE Psalm 13

SOLO Join In The Dance Dan Schutte

MESSAGE "Created – and Redeemed – for Joy!" Pastor Reed

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

*HYMN #29 (Green) "Rejoice, O Pure in Heart" MARION

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

A TIME FOR STEWARDSHIP

Peggie Bretz

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 Chanson Steven Scott

*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.

GOD SENDS US FORTH

*HYMN #7 (Green)

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

HYMN TO JOY

RESPONSIVE WORDS OF SENDING FOR AN EASTER PEOPLE

One: Like Mary Magdalene running to share the good news of the empty tomb,

Many: let us go forth in joy!

One: Like the travelers on the road to Emmaus who recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

Many: let us go forth with new vision!

One: Like the disciples receiving the Holy Spirit,

Many: let us go forth in peace! One: Like Thomas, once full of doubt, Many: let us go forth with faith.

One: Like the fishermen whose nets were enexpectedly overflowed with catch,

Many: let us go forth with joy!

One: And may the Risen Christ bless you all this day, and always. Amen!

POSTLUDE

Thine Is The Glory

David Paxton

TUNE: Maccabeus by G. F. Handel

"Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom; let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, for our Christ now liveth; death has lost its sting."

(It is our custom to remain seated in silence during the Postlude)

^{*} All who wish, please stand.

OUR 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 Family of the late Chad DeMarco (relatives of Robin Fryer)

Peter Abraham (Rich's brother)

Karolina Atsalis (friend of the Abrahams)

Jihan Bowes-Little

(nephew of Carol Allen)

Pearl Burbank Bond (friend of Jean Birch)

Margaret and Bill Brummel (Roger

Henson's sister and brother-in-law)

Josephine Bugryn

(Joy Indomenico's sister)

Faith Clark (sister of Rik Clark)

Susan Cochrane

Debbie Davis, (mother-in-law of Dianna & Roger Henson's grandson Nate)

Judy Desrochers

Doug (Bob Naylor's friend's son, hopefully winning a 20 year battle with substance abuse)

Betsy Eidem (friend of Carol Allen)

Donna Flaherty (Robin Miller's neighbor)

Gallacher family

(relatives of Steve and Joan Gregory)

Jay Gregory

Jay Griffin (Peggie Bretz' brother)

Sharon Griffin

(Peggie Bretz' sister-in-law)

Christine Hayes

(stepmother of Lauren Abraham))

Steve Howland

Mike Hovan (friend of Dan Enos)

Jason (nephew of Joy Indomenico)

Joy Indomenico

Dan Joakim (Joyce Joakim's son)

Martha Lant

(sister-in-law of Peggie Bretz)

Barbara Link (Diane Nicholls' sister)

William Manning III

Toni Malouf

Diane Marquis (a former teacher at the Family School)

Mary Means (friend of Robin Fryer)

Jack Parmer (friend of Carol Allen)

Sally (widow of Ted, friend of Steve and Joan Gregory)

Sylvia Powers (friend of Barbara Rogers)
Sophia (Joyce Joakim's sister in law)

Marilyn Swain (Janet Joakim's aunt)

Alexis Teixeira (cousin of Barbara Walsh)

Toni Sorci (friend of Robin Fryer)

Mary-Ann Tu

Steve and Heather Walker (friends of Sharon and John Hunt)

Joanne Wastrom (wife of former 1717 Trustee Bob Wastrom and friend of

Donna & Tripp Grohe)

Lee Williams (mother of Tripp Grohe's friend, Mark Williams)

Nancy Woodman (friend of Marianne Williams)

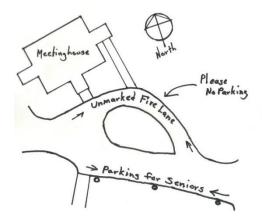
The Week of April 30, 2023					
Sunday	4/30/23	10:00 am	Worship		
Monday	5/1/23	11:30 am 5:00 pm	Christie's Coffee Hours at Bread + Roses AA (J)		
Tuesday	5/2/23	9:30 am 10:30 am 12:00 pm 5:00 pm 6:15 pm	FS Science (J) FS Science (J) Music Lessons (M) AA (J) Handbells (M)		
Wednesday	5/3/23	9:30 am 10:30 am 12:00 pm 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	FS Science (J) FS Science (J) Bible Study(G & Z) AA (J) WITS @ 8 Earl Rd., E. Sandwich		
Thursday	5/4/23	8:30 am-3:00 pm 5:00 pm	FS Conferences (G) AA (J)		
Friday	5/5/23	8:30 am-3:00 pm 9:30 am 10:30 am 10:30 am 5:00 pm	FS Conferences (G) FS Science (J) FS Science (J) Knitting Group (G) AA (J)		
Saturday	5/6/23	4:30 pm	Worship		
Sunday	5/7/23	10:00 am 3:00 pm	Worship American Guild of Organists Concert (M)		

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

- ◆ Please join us for Coffee Hour over in Jenkins Hall after the service. Our hosts today are Georgia Lonkart, Peggie Bretz and Sarah Wyatt.
- The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today were given by Dan Lupfer and Liz Knox-Lupfer in celebration of their anniversary. They were arranged by Sharon Wyman.
- ◆ The 2023 Flower Calendar is up! Stop by the kiosk in Jenkins Hall and check the dates available and pick one to sponsor the flowers! For \$32, payable in the office, one of members 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

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