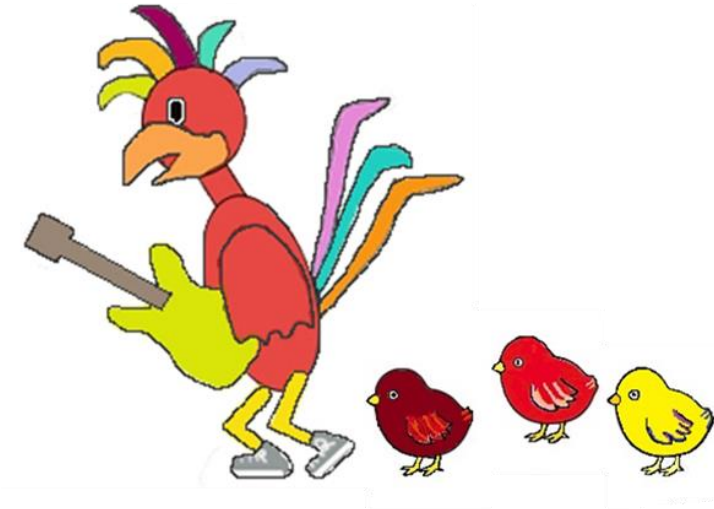


*It's Saturday*



# **Let's Do Church!**

WEST PARISH OF BARNSTABLE, UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

February 3, 2024

4:30 p.m.

Missing the Mark

**BE THE CHURCH**

**Fight for the powerless.**

## 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

People Get Ready

Curtis Mayfield

**People get ready**

**There's a train a-coming**

**You don't need no baggage**

**You just get on board**

**All you need is faith**

**To hear the diesels humming**

**Don't need no ticket**

**You just thank the Lord**

**People get ready**

**For the train to Jordan**

**Picking up passengers**

**From coast to coast**

**Faith is the key**

**Open the doors and board them**

**There's room for all**

**Among the loved the most**

**There ain't no room**

**For the hopeless sinner**

**Who would hurt all mankind just**

**To save his own**

**Have pity on those**

Whose chances are thinner  
Cause there's no hiding place  
From the Kingdom's Throne

So people get ready  
For the train a-comin'  
You don't need no baggage  
You just get on board  
All you need is faith  
To hear the diesels humming  
Don't need no ticket  
You just thank, you just thank the Lord

Yeah  
Oh  
Yeah  
Oh

I'm getting ready  
I'm getting ready  
This time I'm ready  
This time I'm ready

WELCOME

Pastor Carl

One: Welcome home, whether this is your first visit or you have been here for years. Here at West Parish, no matter who you are, and no matter where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here. We are glad you are here with us today whether you are joining us online or in person. Hello, I'm Pastor Carl with Steve Gregory as our minister of music with Bob Moscato on guitar, 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

Gracious God, we come before you this day as sinners.

**We are not fond of calling ourselves sinners.**

God, we do try, we really do, but it's very, very hard.

**We are glad to seek your Spirit's work in our lives**

You speak to us not only of sin, but also of forgiveness.

**May your Spirit open our hearts to the richness of forgiveness embodied in Jesus.**

**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

*We now accept Venmo, the QR code and instructions are on page 8.*

**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.  
We offer a communion cup and wafer system of cranberry juice and cracker.

INVITATION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

THE COMMUNION

**THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED**



SPECIAL SONG

Ring of Fire

John Cash



SACRED WORDS FOR SACRED SPACE

MEDITATION

*Missing the Mark*

Rev. Carl Heick

**GOD SENDS US FORTH**



CLOSING SONG

Oh My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer

Green #70

**O my soul, bless your Redeemer; all within me bless God's name;  
bless the Lord and so remember bounteous mercies to proclaim:**

**Who forgives all our transgressions, and with mercy gently heals,  
who redeems us from destruction, and with goodness kindly deals.**

**Far as east from west is distant, so God puts away our sin;  
like a mother and a father, God compassionate has been.**

**As it was without beginning, so it lasts and never ends;  
to our children's children ever, God's own righteousness extends:**

**Unto all who keep the cov'nant and are steadfast in God's way,  
unto all who still remember God's commandments and obey.**

**Bless your Maker, ev'ry creature, all who live in God's control;  
all throughout this vast dominion bless your Maker, O my soul!**

WORDS OF SENDING



SONG OF SENDING

Go In Peace

Sam Baker  
Featuring Allen Nelson

**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

Christie holds coffee hours at Nirvana in Barnstable Village on Tuesdays from 10 am -noon.  
Call, text, or email for an appointment: 508-494-6409 [associatepastor@westparish.org](mailto:associatepastor@westparish.org).

“Saturday School” is underway, a special class for our youngsters, 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.

Would you like to play in the Saturday Band? Contact Steve G.



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### Church Staff

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**The week of February 3, 2024**

<b>Saturday</b>	2/3/24	4:30 pm	Worship
<b>Sunday</b>	2/4/24	10:00 am	Worship
<b>Monday</b>	2/5/24	12:30 pm 5:00 pm	J. Murrelle Rehearsal (M) AA (J)
<b>Tuesday</b>	2/6/24	10:00 am 10:00 am 12:00 pm 5:00 pm	Christie's Coffee Hours at Nirvana Choir Rehearsal (M) Music Lessons (M) AA (J)
<b>Wednesday</b>	2/7/24	9:15 am 4:00 pm 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) FS Faculty (G) AA (J)
<b>Thursday</b>	2/8/24	9:15 am 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	FS Science (J) AA (J) W. Barnstable Festival Committee (G)
<b>Friday</b>	2/9/24	9:15 am 10:30 am 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) Knitting Group (G) AA (J)
<b>Saturday</b>	2/10/24	4:30 pm	Yoga Church with a plant-based dinner to follow

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

# BE THE CHURCH

*Protect the environment.*

*Care for the poor.*

**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**

