

# *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**

*6th Sunday after Epiphany*

*A Musical Mardi Gras Celebration!*

February 11, 2024

10:00 a.m.

*“And the ransomed of the LORD shall return  
and come to Zion with singing;  
everlasting joy shall be upon their heads;  
they shall obtain joy and gladness,  
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away..”*

Isaiah 35:10

All are invited to stay for the full service today.  
Church School is offered at our 4:30 Saturday 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 (in the style of Saturday church)

Pastor Reed Baer

*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 Reed Baer, the keyboards we have our Director of Music Donna Murphy, we have our Senior Choir, and as our special guests for this 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday service the Dixieland Jazz Group, 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 Sunday, Let's Do Church!**

\*HYMN (insert)

*"This Joy I Have"*

THIS JOY

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

*One: Come together, everyone, and bring your stories.*

**Many: Sing your songs and share in the Spirit.**

*One: Let your feelings paint the sky like a rainbow of balloons and banners.*

**Many: And let even the silence speak with a thousand voices in tribute to our loving, living God.**

*One: In celebration of the gift of life, we come to worship God.*

**Many: This is the day the lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

PRELUDE

Sweet Georgia Brown

Kenneth Casey (1925)

A READING

"Balloons Belong in Church"

by Ann Weems



CALL TO PRAYER

*One: God be with you.*

**Many: And also with you.**

*One: Let us pray.*

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

OFFERTORY

Deep River  
arr. Ron Swain (anonymous spiritual, popularized in 1916)

\*SONG OF PRAISE

**Praise God for love we all may share  
Praise God for beauty everywhere  
Praise God for hope of good to be  
Praise God for truth that makes us free. Amen.**

\*DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

**GOD SENDS US FORTH**

\*HYMN

*"When The Saints Go Marchin' In"*

**Oh, when the saints go marching in,  
Oh, when the saints go marching in,  
Oh, Lord, I want to be in that number,  
When the saints go marching in.**

**And when the revelation comes,  
Oh, when the revelation comes,  
Oh, Lord, I want to be in that number,  
When the revelation comes.**

**And when they crown Him King of Kings,  
Oh, when they crown Him King of Kings,  
Oh, Lord, I want to be in that number,  
When they crown Him King of Kings.**



## 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

**Adrienne Locklear** (family of Kelly and Macayla Washburn)

**Nancy Komenda** (friend of Carol Allen)

**Ronald Abraham** (Rich Abraham's uncle)

**Karolina Atsalis** (friend of the Abrahams)

**Betsy** (Susan McEwen's sister)

**Jack Bishop** (friend of Dale and Sandie Siedsma)

**Margaret and Bill Brummel** (Roger Henson's sister and brother-in-law)

**Doug Clay** (brother of Sharon Hunt)

**Judy Desrochers**

**Alice Eck**

**Betsy Eidem** (friend of Carol Allen)

**Ned Flynn** (Ted's father)

**Jay Griffin** (Peggie Bretz' brother)

**Sharon Griffin** (Peggie Bretz' sister-in-law)

**Steve Howland**

**Martha Lant** (sister-in-law of Peggie Bretz)

**Mac MacLaren**

**Norma McElhenny** (friend of Jane Ketchen)

**Judy Moakler** (friend of Jane Ketchen)

**Peggy Nelson**

**Paul** (friend of Ellen and Tom Davis)

**Margaret Parker** (grandchild of Lynn and Randy Parker)

**Sylvia Powers** (friend of Barbara Rogers)

**Savanna Ramotar** (friend of Sharon Hunt)

**Blake Schroeder** (friend of Robin Fryer)

**Joanne Stubbins**

**Alexis Teixeira** (cousin of Barbara Walsh)

**Pete Tufflie** (friend of Bob Wyman)

**Gary Toye** (brother of Bobbie Jordan)

**Mary-Ann Tu**

**Linda Watson** (friend of Barbara Rogers)

**Bruce and Tom White**

**Nancy Woodman** (friend of Marianne Williams)

**Sarah Woodruff** (niece of Peter and Betsy Smith)

**Rev. Dr. Craig Yohn**

*Please notify the church office (508-362-4445) of any additions, deletions or changes you wish to make.*

## The Week of February 11, 2024

<b>Sunday</b>	2/11/24	10:00 am		Worship
<b>Monday</b>	2/12/24	12:30 pm 5:00 pm	J. Murelle Rehearsal (M)	AA (J)
<b>Tuesday</b>	2/13/24	10:00 am 12:00 pm 5:00 pm	Christie's Coffee Hours at Nirvana	Music Lessons (M) AA (J)
<b>Wednesday</b>	2/14/24	9:15 am 4:00 pm 5:00 pm 7:00 pm		FS Science (J) FS Board (G) AA (J) WITS at Pastor Christie's house
<b>Thursday</b>	2/15/24	9:15 am 12:30 pm 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	Rooster Crows Articles Due	FS Science (J) J. Murelle Rehearsal (M) AA (J) W. Barnstable Festival Committee (G)
<b>Friday</b>	2/16/24	9:15 am 10:30 am 5:00 pm		FS Science (J) Knitting Group (G) AA (J)
<b>Saturday</b>	2/17/24	4:30 pm		Worship
<b>Sunday</b>	2/18/24	10:00 am		Worship

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

- ◆ **Coffee Hour today is being hosted by Ted Gould.**
- ◆ **Please join us for fellowship at Coffee Hour in Jenkins Hall after worship.**
- ◆ **The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse** were arranged by Chris Haven.
- ◆ **The 2024 Flower Calendar is up!** Look for your special date(s) and sign up. Then send \$32 to the office and one of the members of the flower committee will put together an arrangement to put 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 circle closest to the Meetinghouse. Although it is not marked, it is a FIRE LANE and preserves clear access to the Meetinghouse for Emergency Vehicles.

**Need to get connected? Wi-Fi: Meetinghouse Password: 1717Rooster**



**Venmo @WestParish** or scan the QR code.

To make a donation, simply scan the QR code with your phone's camera or search "@WestParish" on the Venmo app.

Be sure you select "West Parish of Barnstable" under the charity profiles.

If you would like your donation to go toward something specific like "Deacons", just note that in the description.

### **Church Staff**

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

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