

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

2nd Sunday of Lent

February 25, 2024

10:00 a.m.

So if I, the Master and Teacher, washed your feet, you must now wash each other's feet. I've laid down a pattern for you. What I've done, you do. I'm only pointing out the obvious. A servant is not ranked above his master; an employee doesn't give orders to the employer. If you understand what I'm telling you, act like it—and live a blessed life. John 13:12-16

All are invited to stay for the full service today.

Church School is offered for the children at our 4:30 Saturday contemporary service.

Here is a partial list of the local, national and global mission partners
your giving supports each year:

Amplify POC Cape Cod

Champ Homes

The United Church of Christ

The Barnstable Association of the UCC

Cape Cod Addiction Prevention

DART (animal protection on-Cape)

Cape Cod Council of Churches (including A Baby Center)

Covenant to Care

Independence House

Habitat for Humanity

CapeAbilities

A Baby Center

Luke's Love Playground

Meetinghouse Farm

Dress a Doll

Whelden Library

The Needy Fund

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 #593 (Green)

"Here I Am, Lord"

HERE I AM, LORD

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Friends, this is no ordinary place: this is the house of God.

Many: It is the place where God reaches down into the corners of our lives, to offer us the mystery of holy love.

One: This is the place where prophets cry out for peace and justice and righteousness.

Many: This is the place where we are trained, equipped and empowered to take God's love for the world and all its peoples with us when we go.

One: This is no ordinary gathering.

Many: This is no ordinary place: this is the house of God.

PRELUDE

Variations on "Wondrous Love" - Variation 1
"What wondrous love is this, O my soul..."

Robert Lau

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST STATEMENT OF FAITH

In the Form of a Doxology

**We believe in you, O God, Eternal Spirit,
God of our Savior Jesus Christ and our God,
and to your deeds we testify:**

**You call the worlds into being,
create persons in your own image,
and set before each one the ways of life and death.**

You seek in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin.

**You judge people and nations by your righteous will
declared through prophets and apostles.**

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

*HYMN #353 (Green) *“Called as Partners in Christ’s Service”*

BEECHER

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

OFFERTORY

Chorale on the Melody "Quem Pastores"

Healey Willan

Original Latin text of the 14th century
"Come, your hearts and voices raising
Christ the Lord with gladness praising;
Loudly sing His love amazing,
Worthy folk of Christendom."

(Paul Gerhardt, 1667. Tr., composite)

*SONG OF PRAISE

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above ye heavenly host,
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOD SENDS US FORTH

*HYMN #363 (Green) *“In the Midst of New Dimensions”* NEW DIMENSIONS

RESPONSIVE WORDS OF SENDING

Mother Teresa of Calcutta

One: Beloved, be the living expression of God’s kindness:

Kindness in your face,

Kindness in your eyes,

Kindness in your smile,

Kindness in your warm greeting.

Many: In the slums, we are the light of God’s kindness to the poor.

One: To the children, to the poor, to all who suffer and are lonely, give always a happy smile.

Many: Let us give them not only our care, but also our heart.

One: Go now in the assurance of God’s love and power!

Many: Amen!

POSTLUDE

Fugue on the Kyrie

Francois Couperin (1668 - 1733)

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

* All who wish, please stand.

All are invited to join together for fellowship and refreshments following the service.

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:*

Karolina Atsalis (friend of the Abrahams)
Margaret and Bill Brummel (Roger Henson's sister and brother-in-law)
Doug Clay (brother of Sharon Hunt)
Nancy Komenda (friend of Carol Allen)
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
Buzz Kolbe (step brother of Betsy Miller)
Martha Lant (sister-in-law of Peggie Bretz)
Adrienne Locklear (family of Kelly and Macayla Washburn)
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 25, 2024

Sunday	2/25/24	10:00 am	Worship
Monday	2/26/24	5:00 pm	AA (J)
Tuesday	2/27/24	10:00 am 12:00 pm 5:00 pm	Christie's Coffee Hours at Nirvana Music Lessons (M) AA (J)
Wednesday	2/28/24	9:15 am 12:00 pm 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) Bible Study (G & Z) AA (J)
Thursday	2/29/24	9:15 am 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) AA (J)
Friday	3/1/24	9:15 am 10:30 am 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) Knitting Group (G) AA (J)
Saturday	3/2/24	4:30 pm	Worship
Sunday	3/3/24	10:00 am	Worship

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

- ♦ **Please join us for fellowship at Coffee Hour in Jenkins Hall after worship.** Our hosts today are the members of the Board of Outreach.
- ♦ **The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse** were given by Heiti and Bill Manning in honor of their family. They were arranged by Lynn Parker.
- ♦ **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



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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
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