

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

April 22, 2024

10:00 am

“The thermometer of a man’s character is his attitude towards women.”

Emmy Carlsson Evald

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 Christie Burns

*HYMN # 442 (Green)

“What a Friend We Have Jesus”

ERIE

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Welcome to this ancient meetinghouse:

All: Home of prayer for many and welcoming to all.

One: Welcome to this gathering place:

All: Friend and stranger, saint and sinner in all who gather here.

One: Come with hope or hesitation; come with joy or yearning; all who hunger, all who thirst for life in all its fullness.

All : Generous God and Generous Savior, touch us through your Spirit.

PRELUDE

Simple Gifts

Wilbur Held

UNISON PRAYER

God of the poor, come to us as a devout woman offering two mites.

God of the lost, come to us as a prudent woman seeking a hidden coin.

God of the outsider, come to us as an alien woman begging for crumbs off our table. God of the sick, come to us as a judged woman fallen before her accusers.

God of the hurt, come to us as a compassionate woman drying our feet with her hair. God of the dying, come to us as a grieving woman mourning for her brother. Amen.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

(alternative version from Lydia’s House; a place of healing and hope for women and children in crises)

Loving God, in whom is heaven;

May your name be kept holy.

Set the world right, as heaven is right.

**With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In time of temptation and testing, strengthen us.
From the trials too great to bear, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For your reign in the glory and power.
Now and forever. Amen.**

SOLO "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" arr. Bonnie Duckworth

THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE Act 16:13-16, 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

ANTHEM The Gift to Be Simple Dale Wood

MESSAGE "The Tale of Two Women" Sharon Wyman

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

*HYMN # 593 (Green) "Here I Am, Lord" HERE I AM, LORD

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

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

*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 # 386 (Green)

“We Are One in the Spirit”

ST. BRENDAN’S

WORDS OF SENDING

Rev. Christie Burns

“May you all at the end of life’s journey, rest safely in the arms of Jesus.”

Emmy Evald

POSTLUDE

“God Be In My Head”

John Rutter

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

* All who wish, please stand.

Those arriving late may be seated during hymns and musical responses.

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

Thank you to Charlene Higbe for being our substitute organist today.

If folks want to learn more about Emmy, a signed copy of the book “Power, Passion, and Faith” is now in the church library. It is also available on Amazon.com with a four-star review.

Sharon Wyman is a cradle-born Presbyterian, who hails from four generations of pastors. She is an ordained Elder in the Presbyterian church where she served on numerous boards and committees at various churches. She has organized church fundraising events, mission fairs, women’s retreats, and church sponsored soup kitchens which fed 300 people a week. In addition, she started singing in choir as far back as the Last Supper.

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

Sue Maki (friend of Joanna Wallace)

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)

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 (stepbrother 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 April 28, 2024

Sunday	4/28/24	10:00 am	Worship
		11:00 am	Special Congregational Meeting (M)
		2:00 pm	Gondim Birthday Party (J)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Monday	4/29/24	5:00 pm	AA (J)
Tuesday	4/30/24	10:00 am	Christie's Coffee Hours at Nirvana Coffee
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Wednesday	5/1/24	9:15 am	FS Science (J)
		4:00 pm	FS Faculty (G)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Thursday	5/2/24	9:15 am	FS Science (J)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Friday	5/3/24	9:15 am	FS Science (J)
		10:30 am	Knitting Group (G)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Saturday	5/4/24	4:30 pm	Worship
Sunday	5/5/24	10:00 am	Worship
		5:00 pm	AA (J)

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.** We will be celebrating those with recent birthdays.
- ♦ **The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today** were given by Liz Knox-Lupfer and Dan Lupfer in celebration of their wedding anniversary. They 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

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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

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