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





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THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

June 2, 2024 10:00 a.m.

"He took her by the hand and said to her . . . 'Little girl, get up!"

Mark 5:41

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 #8 (Green)

"From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Reed Baer

One: Come, people of God, and let us worship the One from whom comes every generous act of giving!

Many: We come to worship our God, who is Love, and who has given the earth to all people.

One: We come to worship Jesus Christ, who came to heal us and to free us from all forms of oppression.

Many: We come to worship the Holy Spirit, who works in and through all who have turned to the truth.

One: We come as a community of faith, responding in faith to our Triune God, called to be at the service of all people.

Many: We come to hear God's word, and we come to go forth, strengthened to be doers as well as hearers of the word.

PRELUDE

Highland Cathedral

Roever/Korb

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

One: Friends, as we come to this time of confession, may we leave behind our limitations, and venture into the vast, unknown reaches of God's love. Together, may we open and reveal our hearts, so that we will find forgiveness amid the community that God intends.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: O God, we have sinned in many ways. We have not loved you with all our hearts.

We have not loved one another as we should.

Sometimes we have let pride rule us, sometimes anger; sometimes our sin has been carelessness, sometimes resentment, or impatience, or greed.

You know, O Lord. You know.

Forgive us, for we need your love. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: With light, truth and grace, God surrounds us with a love that will not let us go. Today God calls us each by name, welcomes us into the family of faith, and grants us the peace that the world cannot give.

All: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM "A Child of Song" Herring & Beck

THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

READING Lament Psalm 31 Ann Weems

SCRIPTURE Mark 5:21-43

SOLO "Consecration" John Ness Beck

John Murelle

MESSAGE "Come on Up for the Rising" Pastor Reed Baer

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

*HYMN #454 (Green) "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

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. If you brought a pledge card with you, please place it in the offering box. We now accept Venmo, the QR code and instructions are on the back page.

OFFERTORY

*SONG OF PRAISE

As those on whom the Spirit fell Went boldly forth your praise to tell, So may we too be led this day To praise you boldly, as did they. Amen.

*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We dedicate this our offering to you, O God, together with our pledges of support for your church in the coming year. We give you thanks that you have blessed us with the means and the will to share to support the work of this, your gathered church here in West Barnstable. May that work prosper in the year ahead, and may we all know of your blessing in our giving. Amen.

THE BREAD AND CUP ARE SHARED

Our service of communion is open to all seeking Christ's presence. We will celebrate communion by intinction; come forward, take a piece of the bread, dip it into the cup, and consume it on the way back to your seat. If you would prefer to be served where you sit, raise your hand and the deacons will come to you.

For those who prefer, please take the packaged communion-to-go. (We offer a gluten-free, wheat-free alternative – in the plastic bags – for those whose diet so requires. We serve cranberry juice out of respect for those who cannot consume alcohol.)

INVITATION

THE COMMUNION PRAYER

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Thank you gracious God, for life in the Spirit of Jesus: for the witness we cannot forget and the mission of justice you have made your own. Give us the gifts of the Holy Communion; oneness of heart, love for neighbors, forgiveness of enemies, the will to serve you every day, and life that never ends. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

GOD SENDS US FORTH

*HYMN #493 (Green)

"In the Bulb There is A Flower"

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE

Jupiter from the Planets

Holst

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

Thanks to our guest organist today, Joe Dudzinski.

^{*} 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:

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 (step brother of Betsy Miller)

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

Adrienne Locklear (family of Kelly and Macayla Washburn)

Sue Maki (friend of Joanna Wallace)

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)

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)

Rev. Dr. Craig Yohn

The Week June 2, 2024			
Sunday	6/2/24	10:00 am	Worship
		11:00 am	AED Training (J)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Monday	6/3/24	5:00 pm	AA (J)
Tuesday	6/4/24	10:00 am	Christie's Coffee Hours at Nirvana
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Wednesday	6/5/24	9:15 am	FS Science (J)
		4:00 pm	FS Faculty (G)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Thursday	6/6/24	9:15 am	FS Science (J)
		4:00 pm	1 st Annual Mini-Golf Tourney
		_	at Sandwich Mini- Golf on 6A
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Friday	6/7/24	9:15 am	FS Science (J)
		10:30 am	Knitting Group (G)
		12:00 pm	Lemon Drops Family Luncheon (J)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Saturday	6/8/24	4:30 pm	Worship
		5:30 pm	All Church BBQ
Sunday	6/9/24	10:00 am	Worship
		11:30 am	Deacons (G)
		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.
- ◆ The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today were arranged by Kelly Washburn.
- 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 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.

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