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

5th Sunday after Pentecost

June 23, 2024 10:00 a.m.

"Give your entire attention to what God is doing right now, and don't get worked up about what may or may not happen tomorrow. God will help you deal with whatever hard things come up when the time comes." Matthew 6:34 (The Message)

All are invited to stay for the full service today. Saturday School is off for the summer.

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

*OPENING SONG All You Need Is Love Lennon and McCartney

Love, love, love Love, love, love Love, love, love

There's nothing you can do that can't be done Nothing you can sing that can't be sung Nothing you can say but you can learn how to play the game It's easy

Nothing you can make that can't be made No one you can save that can't be saved Nothing you can do but you can learn how to be you in time It's easy

REFRAIN ** All you need is love All you need is love All you need is love, love Love is all you need

Love, love, love Love, love, love Love, love, love

REFRAIN **

Nothing you can know that isn't known Nothing you can see that isn't shown

Nowhere you can be that isn't where you're meant to be It's easy

REFRAIN **

Love is all you need (Love is all you need) Love is all you need (Love is all you need) Love is all you need (Love is all you need) Love is all you need (Love is all you need)

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We praise you, O God of our ancestors, God of our descendents,

Many: God of this generation, God of all of us, God of me.

One: We thank you, O God, for holding in your hands the all of us, past, present, and future,

Many: Our triumphs and failures, our hopes and our fears, our gladness and our regrets.

One: We worship you, O God, giving thanks for all our blessings,

Many: and seeking to be empowered to be blessings to the world.

All: Amen!

PRELUDE

The Long and Winding Road Lennon and McCartney

UNISON PRAYER

William Willimon (modified)

Gracious God, we have come here this day searching for you, because we believe that you are searching for us. In countless ways you have reached out to us, tugged at our hearts, courted us, spoken to us.

We confess that sometimes we have searched for you in all the wrong places. We admit that sometimes we have thught that we found you when we only found cheap substitutes.

Find us this day, O God. Discover us anew so that we might find you and, in finding, love you, and in loving you, serve you in all we do.

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray together, singing responsively as we do each Saturday...

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.

THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE Matthew 6:25-34 (The Message)

SPECIAL MUSIC Yesterday Lennon and McCartney

MESSAGE "Let It Be" Pastor Reed

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

*SONG Let It Be Lennon and McCartney

When I find myself in times of trouble, Mother Mary comes to me, speaking words of wisdom, let it be.

And in my hour of darkness, she is standing right in front of me, speaking words of wisdom, let it be.

Let it be, let it be, let it be. Whisper words of wisdom, let it be.

And when the broken hearted people living in the world agree, there will be an answer, let it be. For though they may be parted there is still a chance that they will see, there will be an answer, let it be.

Let it be, let it be, let it be. There will be an answer, let it be.

And when the night is cloudy, there is still a light that shines on me, shine until tomorrow, let it be.

I wake up to the sound of music, Mother Mary comes to me, speaking words of wisdom, let it be.

Let it be, let it be, let it be. Whisper words of wisdom, let it be.

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

A SONG OF PRAYER Here Comes the Sun George Harrison (During this music, those desiring to do so may come forward and light a candle while making a special 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 accept Venmo, the QR code and instructions are on the back page.

OFFERTORY Norwegian Wood Lennon and McCartney

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOD SENDS US FORTH

*CLOSING SONG With a Little Help From My Friends

Lennon and McCartney

What would you think if I sang out of tune
Would you stand up and walk out on me?
Lend me your ears and I'll sing you a song
And I'll try not to sing out of key
Oh I get by with a little help from my friends
Mm I get high with a little help from my friends
Mm gonna try with a little help from my friends

What do I do when my love is away?
(Does it worry you to be alone?)
How do I feel by the end of the day?
(Are you sad because you're on your own?)
No I get by with a little help from my friends
Mm I get high with a little help from my friends
Mm gonna try with a little help from my friends

(Do you need anybody?)
I need somebody to love
(Could it be anybody?)
I want somebody to love

(Would you believe in a love at first sight?)
Yes I'm certain that it happens all the time
(What do you see when you turn out the light?)
I can't tell you, but I know it's mine
Oh I get by with a little help from my friends
Mm I get high with a little help from my friends
Oh I'm gonna try with a little help from my friends

(Do you need anybody?)
I just need someone to love
(Could it be anybody?)
I want somebody to love

Oh I get by with a little help from my friends Mm gonna try with a little help from my friends Oh I get high with a little help from my friends Yes I get by with a little help from my friends With a little help from my friends

WORDS OF SENDING

SONG OF SENDING

Go In Peace

Sam Baker

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.

(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.

Thanks to Steve Gregory for the music today. Steve has been our Saturday music director these past 12 years, and is the owner of SCORE Music Studio in Sandwich.

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

Chris Allen (grandson of Carol Allen)

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

Dick Kiusalis (friend of Joanna Wallace)

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)

Debbie Richmond (Family School teacher)

Blake Schroeder (friend of Robin Fryer)

Joanne Stubbins

Nancy Sturgis (friend of Joanne Wallace)

Alexis Teixeira (cousin of Barbara Walsh)

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 23, 2024			
Sunday	6/23/24	10:00 am	Worship
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Monday	6/24/24	4:00 pm	Council (G)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Tuesday	6/25/24	5:00 pm	AA (J)
Wednesday	6/26/24		Annual Reports Due
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Thursday	6/27/24	10:00 am	Fair Crafters (J)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Friday	6/28/24	10:30 am	Knitting Group (G)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Saturday	6/29/24		
Sunday	6/30/24	10:00 am	Worship
		11:00 am	Annual Meeting
		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. Our hosts today are Sarah Wyatt and Peggie Bretz.
- ◆ The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today were given by Matt Tooker in memory of Martha Tooker. They were arranged by Sharon Hunt.
- 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

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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.

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