

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



Here's the church.

Here's the steeple.

Open the door and see . . .

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

6th Sunday after Pentecost

Annual Meeting of the Congregation

June 30, 2024

10:00 a.m.

*"I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois
and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you."*

2 Timothy 1:5

Church School is off until September. All are welcome to stay for the full worship 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 #306 (Green) *“Child of Blessing, Child of Promise”*

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

*One: We are summoned here by our holy God, who calls us by name, and gathers us together
in the unity of Jesus Christ.*

**Many: From summer camp and kitchen, from beach and from work, we are
called into God’s presence.**

*One: This house of worship is a place to pursue God’s vision for all people: unity and joy and
faith expressed through different gifts. Come, let us worship together.*

PRELUDE

"He is Exalted"

Twila Paris, arr. Mark Hayes

UNISON PRAYER

**On this glorious day when we celebrate the baptism of one of your blessed
children, when we rejoice as new members are received into this gathered
body of your church, when this congregation meets to plan for the coming
year, we pray, O God, for this your church.**

**Make the door of this house wide enough to receive all who need human
love and fellowship, yet narrow enough to shut out all envy, pride and strife.**

**Make its threshold smooth enough to be no stumbling block to children, nor
to straying feet, but rugged and strong enough to turn back evil’s power.**

**God make the door of this house the gateway to your eternal kingdom.
Amen.**

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.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Hayes Michael Grady

Son of Molly Grady and Brian Grady

Sponsors Kerri Koller Mercier and Kyle Hughes

WELCOME

Associate Pastor Christie Burns

ADDRESS

QUESTIONS OF THE PARENTS AND SPONSORS

CONGREGATIONAL ASSENT

Leader: Do you, who witness and celebrate this sacrament, promise your love, support and care to the one about to be baptized, as he lives and grows in Christ?

People: We promise our love, support and care.

PRAYER OF BAPTISM

ACT OF BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

MUSIC

"You Say"

Lauren Daigle, Jason Ingram, Paul Mabury

THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE

2 Timothy 1:1-7

The Message

MESSAGE

"A Faith From Cradle 'till Just One More Surprise"

Pastor Reed

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

*HYMN #327 (Green) “I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry”

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

ORDER FOR RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Bonnie and Earl Marryat

Laura Murphy

Jeanne Douglass

Fran Moore

INTRODUCTION OF CANDIDATES

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Pastor: Let us unite with the church in all times and places in confessing our faith in the triune God. Do you affirm your faith in God as your creator, in Jesus Christ as your Lord and light, and in the Holy Spirit as your strength and guide?

All: I do.

QUESTION ABOUT PARTICIPATION

OWNING THE COVENANT

Pastor: Hear now the Covenant as it is affirmed and practiced in West Parish of Barnstable.

All: We solemnly and faithfully covenant together with God and one another to walk in all God’s ways, honoring the past and embracing the future.

As a part of this covenant we vow to:

- love all in word and deed as Jesus teaches;**
- openly welcome and affirm all persons;**
- respect those with whom we differ and work toward reconciliation;**
- work for peace and social and economic justice;**
- participate in a Spirit-led outreach with the community and the world beyond;**
- respond in our service, worship, and organization to the challenges of these times, as God guides us;**

- engage with the wider Christian community and other faith traditions;
- respect and preserve God's earth.

This we so covenant, relying on the grace of God, the guidance of Jesus Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Pastor: Do you so promise, covenant and agree?

Response: I do.

WELCOME AND RECEPTION

Pastor: Let us, the members of West Parish of Barnstable, express our welcome and affirm our mutual ministry in Christ.

All: We welcome you with joy as partners in the common life of this church. We promise you our friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ. God grant that together we may continue to grow in Christ's knowledge and love and be witnesses of our risen Lord.

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

"Blessed Assurance"

Fanny Crosby, arr. Dan Wolgumuth

*SONG OF PRAISE

**God of our lives whose call comes clear
Through Jesus Christ, your presence near,
By Spirit led, your will we heed,
Your grace to show in word and deed. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

ANNUAL MEETING

*We now continue with our Annual Meeting.
All are invited to attend and participate; members may vote.*

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Thanks to our guest musician today, Kim Aliczi.

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

Bob Gravino (friend of Greg and Jane Ketchen)

Tom Fuller (friend of Jane and Greg Ketchen)

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

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

The Week June 30, 2024

Sunday	6/30/24	10:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	Worship Annual Meeting AA (J)
Monday	7/1/24	5:00 pm	AA (J)
Tuesday	7/2/24	5:00 pm	AA (J)
Wednesday	7/3/24	5:00 pm	AA (J)
Thursday	7/4/24	5:00 pm	Office Closed AA (J)
Friday	7/5/24	10:30 am 5:00 pm	Office Closed Knitting Group (G) AA (J)
Saturday	7/6/24	7:00 pm	Hyannis Sound (M)
Sunday	7/7/24	10:00 am 5:00 pm	Worship 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 the Annual Meeting.** Our hosts today are Liz Knox and Dan Lupfer.
- ◆ **The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today** were given by Kim & Jared Palmer in celebration of their 33rd wedding anniversary. They were arranged by Carol Allen.
- ◆ **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.



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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

Reed Baer, Pastor and Teacher
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