

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

7th Sunday after Pentecost

July 7, 2024

10:00 a.m.

“The righteous flourish like the palm tree, and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.”

Psalm 92:12

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

*HYMN #54 (Green) *“For the Beauty of the Earth”* vs. 1, 2, 4

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We are summoned here by our holy God,

**People: who calls us each by name, and gathers us together in the unity of
Jesus Christ.**

*One: From beach and lakeshore, from office and kitchen, from place of work and place of
recreation,*

People: we are called into God’s presence.

*One: Young and old and middle-aged, individuals and families, married and single, soft-
spoken and outspoken,*

People: we hear our names being called to join in worship.

One: This house of worship is a place to pursue God’s vision for all people:

**People: unity and joy and faith expressed through different gifts. Let us
worship together!**

OPENING SCRIPTURE

Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15

PRELUDE

His Eye is on the Sparrow

Charles Gabriel

UNISON PRAYER

**Sculpting God, you give galaxies their form, shape granite mountains, and
design butterfly wings.**

**Dancing God, you choreograph the paths of the stars and the flight of blue
heron.**

**Singing God, your divine song is sung by sparrows, rippling waves on the
shore, and the cooling breezes of summer.**

**Wonderful God, we rejoice to be a part of the divine world which you love
and sustain. 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 WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE	Isaiah 58:9b-11	
A READING	<u>The Round</u> , Stanley Kunitz	Read by Laura Murphy
SPECIAL MUSIC	Prelude #1, C Major	J.S. Bach
SERMON	"Life in the Garden"	Pastor Reed Baer

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

*HYMN (insert) *"I Come to the Garden Alone"*

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

**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.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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 #325 (Green)

"Now Let Us From this Table Rise"

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE

In the Garden

C. Austin Miles

(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 Geraldine Boles for the music today.

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

Keith (friend of Bob Naylor)

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)
Tom Fuller (friend of Jane and Greg Ketchen)
Bob Gravino (friend of Greg and Jane Ketchen)
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

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

The Week July 7, 2024

Sunday	7/7/24	10:00 am 5:00 pm	Worship AA (J)
Monday	7/8/24	5:00 pm	AA (J)
Tuesday	7/9/24	5:00 pm	AA (J)
Wednesday	7/10/24	4:00 pm 5:00 pm	FS Board (G) AA (J)
Thursday	7/11/24	10:00 am 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	Fair Crafters (J) AA (J) WB Festival Committee (G)
Friday	7/12/24	10:30 am 5:00 pm	Knitting Group (G) AA (J)
Saturday	7/13/24		
Sunday	7/14/24	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.**
- ◆ **The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today** were given by Rich and Lauren Abraham. 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 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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