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

10th Sunday after Pentecost

July 28, 2024 10:00 a.m.

"Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words."

Romans 8:26

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 #257 (Green)

"This Is the Day"

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Friends, we come

Women: not to be entertained, Men: not to be needlessly humored,

All: nor to remain the same.

One: Rather, we come

Women: to be moved by new visions,

Men: to be disturbed by our reluctance to let things go,

All: to be changed by the invitation of grace.

One: We come, with expectancy and hope.

All: We gather in the life-changing Spirit of Christ.

PRELUDE "God Bless America" Irving Berlin

UNISON PRAYER

Attend to our heart's desire, O God. For through our trust and praise we lay open before you all that we are and all we hope to be as followers of Jesus.

And so today we seek an experience of worship that will not only create space for needed changes, but empower those changes into being.

Great God, be with us in all that we say and do in the name of Christ. 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 Romans 8:22-26

SOLO "You Raise Me Up" Loveland & Graham

MEDITATION "Just Breathe" Pastor Reed

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

*HYMN #437 (Green) "It's Me, It's Me, O 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 #590 (Green) "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE Leaning on the Everlasting Arms arr. Paul Johnston

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

Thanks to our guest musician for the month, Geraldine Boles, and soloist John Murelle.

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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:

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)

Mangan family (friends of Dianna Henson)

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 July 28, 2024 | | | | |
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| Sunday | 7/28/24 | 10:00 am 5:00 pm | Worship AA (J) | |
| Monday | 7/29/24 | 5:00 pm | AA (J) | |
| Tuesday | 7/30/24 | 5:00 pm | AA (J) | |
| Wednesday | 7/31/24 | 3:00 pm 5:00 pm | J. Murelle Rehearsal (M) AA (J) | |
| Thursday | 8/1/24 | 10:00 am 5:00 pm | Fair Crafters (J) AA (J) | |
| Friday | 8/2/24 | 10:30 am 5:00 pm | Knitting Group (G) AA (J) | |
| Saturday | 8/3/24 | | | |
| Sunday | 8/4/24 | 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 where we will be celebrating those with birthdays in May, June and July.
- ◆ The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today were given by Shirley and Bob Stolte. They 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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