

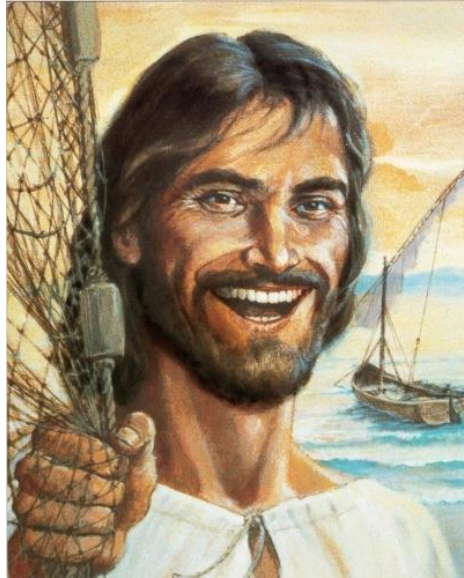
West Parish of Barnstable

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

17th Sunday after Pentecost

September 15, 2024

10:00 a.m.

*“For we do not proclaim ourselves;
we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus’ sake.”*

2 Corinthians 4:5

“I do not call you slaves any longer . . . but I have called you friends....”

John 15-15

All are invited to stay for the full service today.
Saturday School is offered for our children and youth at our 4:30 Saturday 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 #256 (Green)

"Kum ba Yah"

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

One: O Holy God, open unto us light for our darkness, courage for our fear, hope for our despair.

Many: Come by here, my Lord, come by here!

One: O loving God, open unto us wisdom for our confusion, forgiveness for our sins, love for our hate.

Many: Come by here, my Lord, come by here!

One: O God of peace, open unto me peace for our turmoil, joy for our sorrow, strength for our weakness.

Many: Come by here, my Lord, come by here!

One: O Generous God, open our hearts to receive all your gifts.

All: O Lord, come by here!

PRELUDE

UNISON PRAYER

Come by here, Savior Lord Jesus, come by here, for we are a people longing for freedom, and to be freed. Even as we cherish our political freedom, we long for release from enslavement to our desires, desires which we know are not always wholesome; we long for release from a culture of consumerism, which feeds us the lie that happiness can be purchased; we yearn for liberation from our deepest fears and doubts.

Come by here, dearest Friend Jesus, come by here, for we are a people longing for authentic relationship and wholesome integrity. Even as we search for the good life, we long for something more, something greater than ourselves, a connection which is deeper and broader and more life-affirming

*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

GOD SENDS US FORTH

*HYMN #353 (Green) *“Called as Partners in Christ’s Service”*

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE

(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 Kim Aliczi for the music today.

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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)
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
Ron Hunt (friend of Roger Henson)
Dick Kiusalis (friend of Joanna Wallace)
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)
Greg Miller
Judy Moakler (friend of Jane Ketchen)
Peggy Nelson
Paul (friend of Ellen and Tom Davis)
Savanna Ramotar (friend of Sharon Hunt)
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 September 15, 2024

Sunday	9/15/24	9:15 am 10:00 am 5:00 pm	Outreach (G) Worship AA (J)
Monday	9/16/24	10:15 am 5:00 pm	FS classes (J) AA (J)
Tuesday	9/17/24	9:15 am 10:00 am 4:30 pm 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) Christie's Coffee Hours at Nirvana Finance (G) AA (J)
Wednesday	9/18/24	9:15 am 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) AA (J)
Thursday	9/19/24	10:00 am 10:15 am-12:00pm 5:00 pm	Rooster Crows Articles Due Fair Crafters (J) Academy for Life Long Learners (M) AA (J)
Friday	9/20/24	10:30 am 5:00 pm	Knitting Group (G) AA (J)
Saturday	9/21/24	4:30 pm	Worship
Sunday	9/22/24	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.** Our host today is Ted Gould.
- ♦ **The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today** were given by Jack and Betsy Sinnigen. 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.

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If you would like your donation to go toward something specific like "Deacons", just note that in the description.

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