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

21st Sunday after Pentecost

October 13, 2024 10:00 a.m.

"But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all.

For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

Mark 10:45

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 #238 (Green)

"The Church's One Foundation"

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Greetings to all our brothers and sisters in faith!

Many: We come to celebrate God's presence,

One: and God's love expressed through Jesus Christ.

Many: We come remembering Christ's life and ministry,

One: and the life we are called to live.

Many: We come as a pilgrim people searching for ways to live out our faith;

One: We come seeking the strength to carry on our journey.

Many: Let us rejoice in God's gifts to us! Let us worship in word and song!

PRELUDE

"Purer in Heart, O God"

James Fillmore, arr. Lani Smith

UNISON PRAYER

Fit us, O God, for this new day.

Through your Spirit, grant us courage, so that today's uncertainties might not overwhelm us.

Through your Christ, fill us with love, so that differences may not divide us. Through your creative energy, make us new, so that the past may not enslave us.

Spirit, Christ, Creator, lead us into newness of life. 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.

A WORD WITH OUR NEW MUSIC DIRECTOR, PAULA KING

THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE Mark 10:35-45

SOLO "The Call" R. Vaughn Williams

SERMON "An Upside-Down Gospel" Pastor Reed

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

*HYMN #374 (Green) "Won't You Let Me Be Your Servant"

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, gr code and instructions are on the back page.

OFFERTORY "The Gift of Love" American Folk Tune

*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 #467 (Green) "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE Prelude and Fugue in A Minor J.S. Bach (It is our custom to remain seated in silence during the Postlude)

All are invited to join together for fellowship and refreshments following the service.

^{*} All who wish, please stand.

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

Alexina (friend of Carol Allen)

Gina Yacinto (friend of Joanna Wallace)

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)

Ginny Dolan (friend of the Haven Family)

Betsy Eidem (friend of Carol Allen)

Joan Eubele (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

Deidre Hunt (daughter-in-law of Sharon and John Hunt)

Ron and Judy Hunt (friends of Roger and Dianna 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

| The Week October 13, 2024 | | | | | |
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| Sunday | 10/13/24 | 10:00 am | Worship | | |
| | | 5:00 pm | AA (J) | | |
| Monday | 10/14/24 | | Office Closed | | |
| | | 5:00 pm | AA (J) | | |
| Tuesday | 10/15/24 | 9:15 am | FS Science (J) | | |
| | | 10:00 am | Christie's Coffee Hours at Nirvana | | |
| | | 4:30 pm | Finance (G & Z) | | |
| | | 5:00 pm | AA (J) | | |
| Wednesday | 10/16/24 | 9:15 am | FS Science (J) | | |
| - | | 12:00 pm | Bible Study (G & Z) | | |
| | | 5:00 pm | AA (J) | | |
| Thursday | 10/17/24 | | Rooster Crows Articles Due | | |
| | | 10:00 am | Fair Crafters (J) | | |
| | | 5:00 pm | AA (J) | | |
| Friday | 10/18/24 | 10:30 am | Knitting Group (G) | | |
| | | 5:00 pm | AA (J) | | |
| Saturday | 10/19/24 | 4:30 pm | Worship | | |
| Sunday | 10/20/24 | 10:00 am | Worship | | |
| | | 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. Our host today is Ted Gould.
- The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today were given by Carol Polidoro in memory of her dear parents. 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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