

# *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**

*22nd Sunday after Pentecost*

October 20, 2024

10:00 a.m.

*“Then he took a little child and put it among them,  
and taking it in his arms he said to them,  
‘Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me,  
and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.’”*

Mark 9:36-37

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 #29 (Green)

*“Rejoice, O Pure in Heart”*

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

*One: The rich and the poor and the old and the young*

**Many: Take heart! God is calling you.**

*One: The timid and the shy, the bold and the daring*

**Many: Take heart! God is calling you.**

*One: From roadsides and alleyways, footpaths and freeways*

**Many: Take heart! God is calling you**

*One: to open up eyes and redirect lives.*

**Many: Take heart! God is calling you.**

PRELUDE

"Gather Us In"

M. Haugen, arr. J. Cotter

UNISON PRAYER

**We are a people on the road of faith, O God; a people who know that we are not “there” yet; a people who at times wake up to our need for you, for healing, for peace, for wholeness.**

**We remember that when you came to us in Jesus, you were always on the road as well; always on the move, always reaching out towards us, but always headed to a distant glory.**

**We pray that we might be bold enough to give voice to our need for you; we pray that we might be brave enough to answer when you call; we pray that we might trust in you so much that we are never afraid again. 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

Mark 9:30-37

SOLO

"Here I Am, Lord"

D. Schutte

SERMON

"Bright Youth and Snow-Crowned Age, First in Caring"

Pastor Reed

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

\*HYMN # 372 (Green)

*"Diverse in Culture, Nation, Race"*

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

Selections from "Miniatures"

Flor Peters

\*SONG OF PRAISE

**Praise God for love we all may share**

**Praise God for beauty everywhere**

**Praise God for hope of good to be**

**Praise God for truth that makes us free. Amen.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## GOD SENDS US FORTH

\*HYMN #596 (Green)

*“Stewards of a Living Church”*

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation" J. G. Walther

*(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.**

## **Come Join Us! Make a Joyful Noise!**



**The choir will be meeting for practices on Tuesdays at 11 am in the Meetinghouse. We will sing at the 10 am Sunday services.**

**Bell Choir practice resumes on Tuesday evenings at 6:15 in the Meeting House. We will ring once a month at the 10 am Sunday service.**

**New members are always welcome.**

**Raise your hearts and voices together in praise!**



## 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:*

**Alexina** (friend of Carol Allen)  
**Chris Allen** (grandson of Carol Allen)  
**Karolina Atsalis** (friend of the Abrahams)  
**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)  
**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)  
**Gina Yacinto** (friend of Joanna Wallace)  
**Rev. Dr. Craig Yohn**

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

## The Week October 20, 2024

<b>Sunday</b>	10/20/24	10:00 am 5:00 pm	Worship AA (J)
<b>Monday</b>	10/21/24	10:15 am 5:00 pm	FS Classes (J) AA (J)
<b>Tuesday</b>	10/22/24	9:15 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm 6:15 pm	FS Science (J) Christie's Coffee Hours at Nirvana Choir Rehearsal (M) AA (J) Bell Choir (M)
<b>Wednesday</b>	10/23/24	9:15 am 12:00 pm 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) Bible Study (G & Z) AA (J)
<b>Thursday</b>	10/24/24	10:00 am 4:00 pm 5:00 pm	Fair Crafters (J) 1717 Meetinghouse Committee (G) AA (J)
<b>Friday</b>	10/25/24	10:30 am 5:00 pm	Knitting Group (G) AA (J)
<b>Saturday</b>	10/26/24	4:30 pm	Worship
<b>Sunday</b>	10/27/24	10:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	Worship Trunk or Treat 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 Laura Murphy.
- ♦ **The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today** were given by Stan and Kathleen Warren in memory of Alma Warren. 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.



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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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