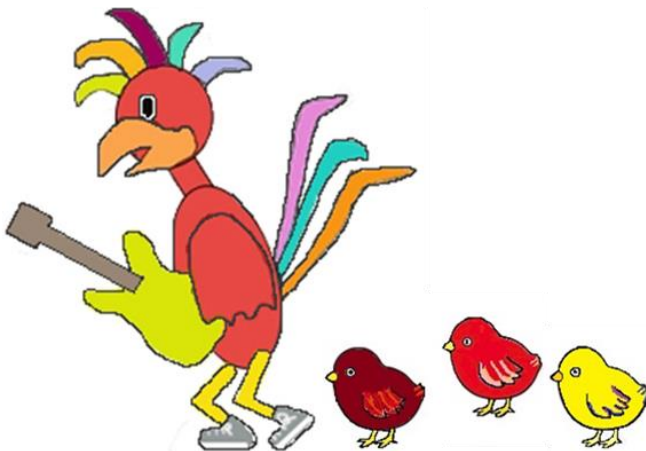


**It's Saturday**



# **Let's Do Church!**

**WEST PARISH OF BARNSTABLE, UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

October 26, 2024

4:30 p.m.

**All Saints and All Souls**

*Blessed are those who mourn,  
for they shall be comforted. Matthew 5:4*

**BE THE CHURCH**

**Fight for the powerless.**

## OUR STATEMENT OF WELCOME

We are:

PROGRESSIVELY UNTRADITIONAL: 21st century minds in a 1717 Meetinghouse!

**Embrace diversity.**

JOYOUSLY INCLUSIVE: Radically open and affirming, all ages, races, gender, and sexual orientation, everyone is welcome exactly as you are.

EXPRESSLY “ON THE WAY”: Faith is a journey. Journey with us!

COMMITTEDLY IN THE COMMUNITY: In helping others, we become our true selves.

## GOD GATHERS US



\*OPENING SONG #494      When the Saints Go Marching In      trad.

O when the saints go marching in  
When the saints go marching in  
O Lord I want to be in that number  
When the saints go marching in

And when the sun refuse (begins) to shine  
And when the sun refuse (begins) to shine  
O Lord I want to be in that number  
When the saints go marching in

When the moon turns red with blood  
When the moon turns red with blood  
O Lord I want to be in that number  
When the saints go marching in

O when the trumpet sounds the call  
O when the trumpet sounds the call  
O Lord I want to be in that number  
When the saints go marching in

When our leaders learn to cry  
When our leaders learn to cry  
O Lord I want to be in that number  
When the saints go marching in

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WELCOME

Pastor Christie

One: Welcome home, whether this is your first visit, or you have been here for years. Here at West Parish, no matter who you are, and no matter where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here. We are glad you are here with us today whether you are joining us online or in person. Hello, I'm Pastor Christie, and here is Pastor Reed, and Steve Gregory is our director of music, AND TOGETHER WE ARE

**All: ONE diverse community**

**Growing up in faith**

**Reaching out in love.**

One: It is good when God's people are together here, and so we can rejoice, because,

**All: It's Saturday, Let's Do Church!**



CALL TO WORSHIP (Hebrews 12: 1)

We remember, O God...

**The countless saints of history  
who have blazed a trail of courage through time,**

We remember, O God...

**The tender touch of loved ones,  
the example of heroes,  
the healing words of comforters,  
the remarkable acts of fearless ones.**

We remember, O God...

**The gentle strength of grandparents,  
the loyalty of friends,  
the kindness of strangers,  
the joy of children,  
the sacrifice of parents.**

We remember, O God...

**The supreme love of Jesus,  
the blessing of his Spirit,  
the reminder of his words,  
the sharing of his suffering,  
the glory of his resurrection:  
shown forth in the lives of his disciples,  
young and old,  
dead and living,  
articulate and silent,  
strange and familiar,  
brilliant and ordinary.**

We remember in every time and place the saints of God  
who have shown us the Lord.

*Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses...  
let us worship God with joy!*

OPENING PRAYER

Jan Richardson

**For those  
who walked with us,  
this is a prayer.**

**For those  
who have gone ahead,  
this is a blessing.**

**For those  
who touched and tended us,  
who lingered with us  
while they lived,  
this is a thanksgiving.**

**For those  
who journey still with us  
in the shadows of awareness,  
in the crevices of memory,  
in the landscape of our dreams,  
this is a benediction.**

**Amen.**

**Forgive often.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (we will sing this in echo fashion)  
**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 all our sins...  
And lead us not... into temptation... but deliver us from evil.**

Unison:

**For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory**

Echo:

**Forever..... and ever....**

**Our Father... who art in Heaven.... hallowed be thy name.**

### A TIME OF PRAYER



A TIME FOR CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

(As you come up to light a prayer candle, stop at the communion table and place any rose petals you would like to remember people you love who are no longer alive. Let this action of prayer be a blessing as you say their names aloud.)

A SONG OF PRAYER

*Abide with Me*

William Monk

INVITATION TO SHARING OUR GIFTS

*We now accept Venmo, the QR code and instructions are on page 10.*

Care for the poor.

Share earthly and spiritual resources.

**THE BREAD OF LIFE  
AND THE CUP OF NEW BEGINNINGS  
ARE SHARED**



Our service of communion is open to all seeking Christ's presence.  
Whether children receive the elements we leave to their parents' discretion.  
We shall be receiving communion by the ancient practice of intinction.  
Come forward, take a piece of the bread, dip it in the cup,  
and consume it on the way back to your seat.  
We offer a communion cup and wafer system of cranberry juice and cracker.

#### INVITATION

#### IONA COMMUNITY

The table of bread and wine is now to be made ready.

It is the table of company with Jesus,  
and all who loved him.

It is the sharing with the poor of the world,  
with whom Jesus identified himself.

It is the table of communion with the earth,  
in which Christ became incarnate.

What set Christians apart, what made them radical, was that in a time of intense political,  
social and religious divisions, they set a table where all are welcome.

So come to this table,  
you who have much faith  
and you who would like to have more;  
you who have been here often  
and you who have not been for a long time;  
you who have tried to follow Jesus,  
and you who have failed;  
come.

It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

#### THE STORY BEHIND THE LAST SUPPER

Blessed is our brother Jesus,  
who walks with us the road of our world's suffering,  
and who is known to us in the breaking of bread.

On the night of his arrest Jesus took bread  
and having blessed it  
he broke the bread  
and gave it to his disciples, saying,

*This is my body, given to you.  
in the same way he took wine  
and having given thanks for it  
he poured it out  
and gave the cup to his disciples, saying,  
This cup is the new relationship with God,  
sealed with my blood.  
Take this and share it.  
I shall drink wine with you next in the coming Kingdom of God.*

Let us pray:

#### PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

**Hear us, O Christ and breathe your Spirit upon us and upon this bread and wine.  
May they become for us your body, vibrant with your life, healing, renewing, and  
making us whole as the bread and wine which we now eat and drink are changed into us.  
May we be changed again into you, bone of your bone, flesh of your flesh, loving and  
caring in the world.**

#### THE COMMUNION

Look, the Body of Christ is broken for the life of the world.  
Here is Christ coming to us in bread and wine.  
The gifts of God for the people of God.  
Come for all things have been made ready.

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**We give you thanks, God of peace and promise.  
Through the words of your prophets  
and the faith of your followers  
you prepare the way of our redemption  
and bring hope to birth.  
And though we often grow weary of waiting,  
your signs call us to keep watch for that day  
when all things shall be made new.  
In assurance of this hope,  
we join with all the company of heaven and earth  
to give you praise.  
Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED



SPECIAL SONG

I Remember Everything

John Prine



SACRED WORDS FOR SACRED SPACE

Mathew 5:1-12

MEDITATION

Rev. Christie Burns

## GOD SENDS US FORTH



CLOSING SONG

Will the Circle Be Unbroken

trad.

**I was standing by the window  
On one cold and cloudy day  
When I saw the hearse come rolling  
For to carry my mother away**

***Refrain***

**Will the circle be unbroken  
By and by Lord, by and by  
There's a better home awaiting  
In the sky Lord, in the sky**

**I said to the undertaker  
Undertaker please drive slow  
For this lady you are carrying  
Lord I hate to see her go**

***Refrain***

**Oh, I followed close behind her  
Tried to hold up and be brave**



**But I could not hide my sorrow  
When they laid her in the grave**

***Refrain***

**I went back home, the home was lonesome  
Since my mother, she was gone  
All my brothers and sisters crying  
What a home so sad and alone**

***Refrain***

**We sang songs of childhood  
Hymns of faith that made us strong  
Ones that mother Maybelle taught us  
Hear the angels sing along**

***Refrain***

**WORDS OF SENDING**



**SONG OF SENDING**

**Go In Peace**

**Sam Baker**

**Go in peace  
Go in kindness  
Go in love  
Go in faith  
Leave the day  
The day behind us  
Day is done  
Go in grace  
Let us go  
Into the dark  
Not afraid  
Not alone  
Let us hope  
By some good pleasure  
Safely to  
Arrive at home  
Let us hope  
By some good pleasure  
Safely to  
Arrive at home.**

## WE ARE GLAD YOU WORSHIPPED WITH US TODAY!

All people, young and old and in-between, are lifted up wherever they are on the journey.  
We look forward to worshipping with you again soon!  
Pastors Christie Burns and Reed Baer

Christie holds coffee hours at Nirvana in Barnstable Village on Tuesdays from 10-11:30 am.  
Call, text, or email for an appointment: 508-494-6409 [associatepastor@westparish.org](mailto:associatepastor@westparish.org).

“Saturday School” is underway, a special class for our youngsters, held over in Jenkins Hall, led by Pastor Reed and an adult lay teacher/volunteer, during the last 20 minutes of the service. Interested in joining in as a teacher or an extra pair of hands, speak to Reed after church.

**Would you like to play in the Saturday Band?** Contact Steve G.



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**The week of October 26, 2024**

<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)
<b>Monday</b>	10/28/24	10:15 am 5:00 pm	FS classes (J) AA (J)
<b>Tuesday</b>	10/29/24	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>	10/30/24	9:15 am 12:00 pm 4:00 pm 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) Bible Study (G & Z) Council (G & Z) AA (J)
<b>Thursday</b>	10/31/24	10:00 am 10:00 am 5:00 pm	Fair Crafters (G) FS Fall Festival (J) AA (J)
<b>Friday</b>	11/1/24	10:30 am 5:00 pm	Knitting Group (G) AA (J)
<b>Saturday</b>	11/2/24	4:30 pm	Worship

**Key:** FS = Family School; G = Guild Room; J = Jenkins Hall; M = Meetinghouse; Z = Zoom

# BE THE CHURCH

*Protect the environment.*

*Care for the poor.*

**Forgive often.**

**Reject racism.**

**Fight for the powerless.**

*Share earthly and spiritual resources.*

**Embrace diversity.**

**Love God.**

**Enjoy this life.**

*God is still speaking,*  
**UNITED CHURCH  
OF CHRIST**

