

# *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**

*1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent*

March 9, 2025

10:00 a.m.

*“Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit  
in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tested by the devil.  
He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over he was famished.”*

Luke 4:1-2

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: People of God, look around and see the faces of those we know and love –  
neighbors and friends, sisters and brothers – a community of kindred hearts.*

**Many: We look around, but we also see the faces of those we hardly know –  
strangers, guests, forgotten friends – the ones in need of an outstretched  
hand and a welcoming smile.**

*One: People of God, look around and see all the images of God assembled here. In  
me, in you, in each of us.*

**Many: God's spirit shines for all to see, right here, in and with us all.**

*One: People of God, come. Let us worship together.*

PRELUDE

*"In the Hour of Trial"*

arr. R. Hughes

UNISON PRAYER

**Glorious God, we come together this day as your people.**

**We come as a praising people, singing your goodness.**

**We come as a praying people, bringing our needs, our joys, our concerns for  
ourselves and for others.**

**We come as a listening people, open to your Word.**

**Fill us with your love and empower us for faithful living, we pray.**

**We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray together,  
saying...**

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.**

ANTHEM

“Here I Am, Lord”

D. Schutte

**THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED**

SCRIPTURE

Luke 4:1-13

SOLO

“You Raise Me Up” with " Be Still My Soul”

Loveland, Graham, Sibelius

SERMON

“Who Is This Jesus? The Devil is in the Details”

Pastor Reed

**THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS**

\*HYMN #403 (Green)

“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

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

Pastor Reed

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

"Miniature # 34"

Flor Peters

\*SONG OF PRAISE

**Were the whole realm of nature mine  
That were a present far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine  
Demands my soul, my life, my all. Amen.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**GOD SENDS US FORTH**

\* HYMN #414 (Green)      *“This is a Day of New Beginnings”*

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE      “Largo”( from Winter, Concerto #4, the Seasons)      A. Vivaldi  
*(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.**



## 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

**Reed Baer**

**Roy Urbach** (friend of Karen Datlowe)

**Mary McCormick**

**Karolina Atsalis** (friend of the Abrahams)  
**Bunny and Bart Chase** (friends of Rik Clark)  
**Doug Clay** (brother of Sharon Hunt)  
**Matt Cox** (the son of Carol Allen's friend)  
**Ginny Dolan** (friend of the Haven Family)  
**Betsy Eidem** (friend of Carol Allen)  
**Susan Emery** (Jane Ketchen's sister)  
**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)  
**Gina Jacinto** (friend of Joanna Wallace)  
**David Kuehn** (friend of Robin Miller and Kim Baker)  
**Gary Komosky** (Chris Haven's brother)  
**Martha Lant** (sister-in-law of Peggie Bretz)  
**Meredith Leonard** (Debbie Barrette's mother)  
**Cheryl Lickteig** (friend of Jeanne Douglass)  
**Adrienne Locklear** (family of Kelly and Macayla Washburn)

**Sue Maki** (friend of Joanna Wallace)  
**Norma McElhenny** (friend of Jane Ketchen)  
**Greg Miller**  
**Judy Moakler** (friend of Jane Ketchen)  
**Mike Morris** (Liz Knox-Lupfer & Dan Lupfer's daughter-in-law's father)  
**Brian Murphy**  
**Peggy Nelson**  
**Diane Ollerhead** (friend of Robin Fryer)  
**Paul** (friend of Ellen and Tom Davis)  
**Carol Polidoro**  
**Savanna Ramotar** (friend of Sharon Hunt)  
**Cyndi Rausch** (Allison McNaughton's sister)  
**Sandie Siedsma**  
**Blake Schroeder** (friend of Robin Fryer)  
**Joanne Stubbins**  
**Nancy Sturgis** (friend of Joanne Wallace)  
**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 March 9, 2025

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|------------------|---------|---|---|
| <b>Sunday</b>    | 3/9/25  | 10:00 am<br>4:30 pm   | Worship<br>AA (J)   |
| <b>Monday</b>    | 3/10/25 | 10:15 am<br>5:00 pm<br>6:00 pm                                  | FS Classes (J)<br>AA (J)<br>Meetinghouse Farm (G)   |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | 3/11/25 | 9:15 am<br>11:00 am<br>4:00 pm<br>4:30 pm<br>5:00 pm<br>7:00 pm | FS Science (J)<br>Choir Rehearsal (M)<br>1717 Meetinghouse Foundation (G)<br>Bell Choir (M)<br>AA (J)<br>W. Barnstable Festival Committee (G) |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | 3/12/25 | 9:15 am<br>4:00 pm<br>5:00 pm                                   | FS Science (J)<br>FS Board (G & Z)<br>AA (J)  |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | 3/13/25 | 8:00 am<br>5:00 pm  | Men's Breakfast at Jack's Out Back<br>AA (J)  |
| <b>Friday</b>    | 3/14/25 | 10:00 am<br>5:00 pm   | Knitting Group (G)<br>AA (M)  |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | 3/15/25 | 4:30 pm<br>7:00 pm  | Worship<br>Nightingale Ensemble (M)   |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | 3/16/25 | 10:00 am<br>5:00 pm   | Worship<br>AA (J)   |

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

- ◆ **Please join us for Coffee Hour over in Jenkins Hall** our host today is Ted Gould.
- ◆ **The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today** were given by Peggie Bretz in memory of her mother Betty. They were arranged by Gail Fioretti.
- ◆ **The 2025 Flower Calendar is up** on the kiosk. Please sign up for sponsoring the flowers along with a dedication. The cost is \$32 and can be paid by cash, check, or Venmo with "Flowers" in the memo. One of the members of the flower committee will contact you to about the arrangement.
- ◆ **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.

### **Church Staff**

Reed Baer, Pastor and Teacher  
Paula King, Music Director  
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