

West Parish of Barnstable *The Rooster Crows* Newsletter



WORSHIP AT WEST PARISH

SATURDAY 4:30 pm

- June 7 ***Pentecost and Animal Blessing***, bring your well-behaved animal on a leash or in a carrier to be blessed. Invite your animal loving friends and neighbors. All pets receive a blessing and a certificate.
- June 14 ***Unity Jam and Celebration*** with the First Chicken and Vegetable BBQ and ice cream supper for the summer. **This is an all-church event. Everyone is welcome.** Come and celebrate the closing of our Saturday Church School Year 2024-2025.

SUNDAY 10:00 am

- June 1 “What I Did On Summer Vacation (well, sorta)” Pledge Sunday
- June 8 “Gathered and Scattered – The Meaning of Pentecost” Acts 2 Wear Red!
- June 15 “Glorious and Humbly Made ‘R Us” Psalm 8
- June 22 “We are All One in Christ – So Let’s Get To It!” Galatians 3:23-29
- June 29 “God Gave the Growth” 1 Cor. 3:5-9 Annual Meeting

CALL TO THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION of West Parish of Barnstable Sunday, June 29, 2025 at 11:00 AM in the WEST PARISH MEETINGHOUSE

The Church Council has established Sunday, June 29, 2025, 11:00 AM in the West Parish Meetinghouse as the date, time, and place of the Annual Congregational Meeting.

The purpose of the meeting is as follows:

- To approve the annual budget
- To elect Officers and members of Boards and Committees
- To receive reports of Boards and Committees
- To transact such other business as may legally come before the Congregation

This call is to be posted in The Meetinghouse, by announcement in worship, and by mailing.
Per the Bylaws, 44 members (15% of the active members) shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Susan Moeller, Chair of Council; Robin Fryer, Clerk

A WORD OF THANKS FROM THE PASTOR

Words cannot express how grateful I am for all the love, support and prayers you have showered me with these past weeks as I have been in Boston for the radiation treatments. They have really bucked me up, comforted me, and been a joy through the ups and downs of the regime.

Also know how gratified I have been to hear about how you have carried on our ministries so well in my absence – I think of Betsy carrying on with Bible Study, Brad et al. fixing the well problem, Alycia and the Family School Board doing new and fun things to support the teachers and parents, the Board of Deacons so capably handling the supply preachers and more, Paula continuing our vibrant music program, and of course Christie handling both her usual duties and mine as well. Just for starters.

Well done, good and faithful servants, and thank you!

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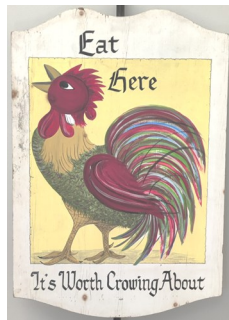
Winner Winner Chicken Dinner!

Our first Chicken Dinner will be on June 14 starting at 4 pm on the green next to Jenkins.

Meals will be cooked by our in house chefs Tripp Grohe , Alycia Williams, and Ted Gould.

The dinners include :

- Half of a BBQ chicken
- Pasta salad
- Potato Salad
- Corn on the Cob
- A variety of desserts



Please bring your own chairs or blankets to sit outside and enjoy the festivities!

Happy Birthday

to our West Parish members and friends

1 Diane Nicholls	15 Ben O'Neill
2 Randy Parker	21 Liz Knox-Lupfer
2 Bobbie Jordan	22 Lauren Smith
3 John Hunt	22 Stan Warren
3 Daisy Talbot	22 Kathleen Warren
6 Kathy Warren	23 Rebecca Pierce-Merrick
7 Livvy Williams	23 Shirley Swift
9 Joan Gregory	24 Camden Baer
11 Scott Lane	29 Ted Flynn
14 Kelsey Gould	30 Roger Henson
14 Sawyer Ralph	

*If you have any additions,
please contact the office with your information.*



Fall Prevention Presentation

Sunday, June 22, 2025

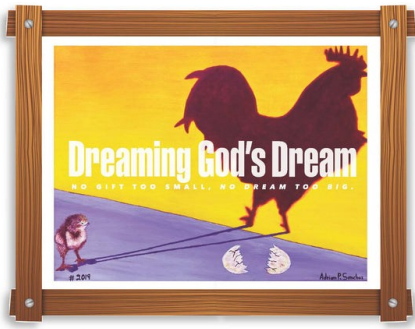
11:00 AM

Presented by:

Dr. Samuel Rosenbach, PT, DPT, Cert. DN,
Inspire Physical Therapy LLC, Plymouth, MA

Join us at Coffee Hour for a one hour presentation on fall awareness and prevention in your home.

This is brought to you through the on going networking of the Church Office Professionals members, of which our office administrator, Susan McEwen is a member.



Dreaming God's Dream

By now you have heard from members of this congregation speaking about the dreamers and doers that have brought us to this wonderful place and time at West Parish of Barnstable.

By now you have received letters describing this year's Stewardship Campaign and the continuing need for your support.

By now you have heard Pastor Christie in her "Sermon on the Amount".

By now you have received your Pledge Card in the mail.

Please take a moment to appreciate what we have... a 300-year-old architectural wonder, a thriving Family School, a great music program, great church leaders, Outreach, educational programs, fellowship, digital age.....

All of our activities and programs need your financial support. By pledging you are not only supporting the church, but you are also allowing us to continue dreaming and doing. If you are able, a little increase to cover our rising costs would be most appreciated.

The "Ball is in your Court", Pledge Sunday is June 1st.

Bruce Benwood, for the Stewardship Committee: Roger Henson, Mike Howard, Bob Stolte, and Bob Wyman.

Rooster Crows Creative Crafting Corner

Attention! Do you have a "creative hobby"?

Do you cut, glue, knit, sew, or paint? Do you do paper crafting like scrapbooking or Stampin' Up? Basic woodworking like cutting out some basic shapes with a scroll saw?

November sounds like it is a long way off, but the Rooster Crows Creative Team is already designing and making beautiful items for the 2025 Rooster Crows Fair.

We are always looking for new ideas and new hands to work on projects. We welcome folks who can join us for in-person group creative time as well as folks who would rather work independently at home. Not sure what to make? No Problem! We are planning some take-home kits with all the supplies needed to finish a project.

If you have a particular idea or talent/skill you would like to share reach out to us at RCF.Creatives@gmail.com.

We have had fun at our Pop-Up craft sessions in April and May and **now we are ready to begin regularly scheduled in-person crafting time in July; meeting on the second and fourth Thursdays over the summer; expanding to weekly in September.**

We will gather on July 10 & 24 and August 14 & 28 at 10:00 am in Jenkins. We create & socialize for about 90 minutes, then clean-up/put things away. Running late – that's OK; gotta leave early – that's OK too. If you knit or crochet, you might enjoy the knitting group which meets every Friday at 10:00 in the Guild Room.

The Good News: even if you do not consider yourself "creative" or "crafty" if you can follow basic directions, you can make just about anything!



Take & Make Knitting Kits included in each kit:

Yarn
Needles
Instructions

Kits will be available during
Coffee Hour on Sunday
or
in the office during the week.

ANNUAL ALL-CHURCH MINI-GOLF TOURNAMENT RETURNS

Our 2nd Annual West Parish Mini-Golf Tournament returns in the coming weeks, date t/b/d to take into account the weather.

Where: God's Course on Rt. 6A in Sandwich (same as last year)

When: Date t/b/d, late afternoon, followed by the 19th Hole at the pastors' home in East Sandwich.

Who: Everyone, men, women, youth, pets. We will use the handicap system where you get one stroke deducted from your score for each decade of life!

Awards: You betcha!

Fun? Of course.

Come to try to dethrone last year's champion, the Rev. Bob Naylor.



West Parish Family School



Moving ahead while honoring tradition

What's New at West Parish Family School

May was quite the busy month here at WPFS!

We started the month of May with a superb Teacher Appreciation Week, and our Parent Association was responsible for the wonderful gifts and surprises for our teachers.

We had a wonderful photographer come for our end of the year student photos. There were two days of hearing laughter in Jenkins as the students had their pictures taken.

The toddler playground received a new turf covering and equipment. They have been enjoying being able to run around, and use the slide, balance beam and clear easel. In the big playground, Alycia moved the two playhouses to create a more neighborhood feeling. Susan found a pallet that would work as a patio between them and Alycia got a grass mat to cover it.

There are plans for new equipment in the big playground.



We hosted our friends from Avita Memory Care, where our Pre-K students and senior friends built wonderful sculptures with Legos and painted miniature birdhouses for our bird visitors.

Lastly our Pre-K had been caring for some caterpillars and anxiously waiting for the change to butterflies. Finally, they emerged! Our Perk students sadly had to let them go back into our garden, but we hope to see them fluttering around.



1 10 am Worship 2 pm Unity Concert with Steve G. and the Unity Concert Band 5 pm AA (I)	2 10:30 am FS Classes (I) 5 pm AA (I)	3 8 am-4 pm FS Conferences (G) 9:15 am FS Science (I) 10 am Christie's Coffee Hours at Nirvana 11 am Choir Rehearsal (M) 4:30 pm Bell Choir (M) 5 pm AA (I)	4 8 am-11:30 am FS Conferences (G) 9:15 am FS Science (I) 12 pm Bible Study (G & Z) 1-3 pm FS Conferences (G) 4 pm FS Faculty (G) 5 pm AA (I)	5 5 pm AA (I)	6 10 am Knitting (G) 1-3 pm FS Conferences (G) 5 pm AA (I)	7 4:30 pm Worship
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22 10 am Worship 11 am Fall Prevention Talk (I) 5 pm AA (I)	23 Start of FS Summer Prog. 5 pm AA (M)	24 5 pm AA (I)	25 12 pm Bible Study (G & Z) 5 pm AA (I)	26 5 pm AA (I)	27 10 am Knitting (G) 5 pm AA (I) 7 pm WB Historical Society (M)	28
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For the most up to date calendar go to
<https://westparish.org/calendar-2/>

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

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The Choirs of West Parish turned Coffee Hour into a
Beat Café
along with being able for folks to chime in.



Rooster Crows Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for submissions for the July/August 2025 newsletter is Thursday, June 19.

Submissions can be made by mail, email, calling, or coming into the office.

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