

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 *9th Sunday after Pentecost*

August 10, 2025

10:00 a.m.

"He leadeth me beside the still waters...."

Psalm 23:2

All are invited to stay for the full service today.
Our Saturday service and Saturday School are off until September.

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 #60 (Green)

“This Is My Father’s World”

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Reed Baer

One: The spirit moved over the water and life emerged from the deep.

Many: We are drawn to the well-spring, the water of life.

One: Here let us drink deeply from the life-giving river of God.

Many: We gather in this place to be refreshed and renewed.

One: We remember our baptism – whether we were sprinkled, or dunked, or we waded in the water, whether as a teen or as an infant or even as an adult.

Many: And we remember that in our baptism we were called as partners in Christ’s service – and still are.

One: Let all who thirst, come; let all in need of cleansing, dive in; let all who seek life abundant, catch the wave!

Many: We gather to worship, thankful that this is our Father’s world!

PRELUDE

“Meditation on Melita’

J. Dykes, arr. L. Smith

SCRIPTURE Psalm 23 (K.J.V.)

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name’s sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

**Cynthia Ann Taber
Eleanor Noel Lynch**

WELCOME

ADDRESS

QUESTIONS OF THE CANDIDATES

CONGREGATIONAL ASSENT

One: Do you, who witness and celebrate this sacrament, promise your love, support and care to the one about to be baptized, as they live and grow in Christ?

All: We promise our love, support and care.

PRAYER OF BAPTISM

ACT OF BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

ACT OF RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL FAITH

Beloved, remember your baptism and be grateful.

SPECIAL MUSIC

THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE

Revelations 22:1-5

SERMON

“Catch the Wave or Make Waves?”

Pastor Baer

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

*HYMN (insert)

“Sail On”

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

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

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

“Dawn Reverie”

D. Paxton

*SONG OF PRAISE

Bob Gardiner

**From all that dwell the earth around
Let thanks and praise, O God, resound.
Receive these humble gifts, we pray;
Let them your love, and ours, display. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOD SENDS US FORTH

*HYMN #426 (Green)

“I’ve Got Peace Like a River”

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE

“Prelude of the Te Deum”

M.A. Charpentier

(It is our custom to remain seated in silence during the Postlude)

* All who wish, please stand.

Those arriving late may be seated during hymns and musical responses.

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

Sail On!

Charles Hutchinson Gabriel, 1908

Charles H. Gabriel & Homer A. Rodeheaver

♩ = 100

1. Up - on a wide and storm-y sea, Thou'rt sail - ing to e - ter - ni - ty, And
2. Art far from shore, and wear - y worn, The sky o'er - cast, thy can - vas torn? Hark
3. Do com - rades trem - ble and re - fuse To fur - ther dare the taunt - ing hues? No
4. Do snarl - ing waves thy craft as - sail? Art pow'r - less, drift - ing with the gale? Take

ad lib. *Refrain*

thy great Ad - miral or - ders thee: "Sail on! Sail on! Sail on!"
ye! a voice to thee is borne: "Sail on! Sail on! Sail on!" Sail on! Sail on! The
other course is thine to choose, "Sail on! Sail on! Sail on!"
heart! God's Word shall ne - ver fail. "Sail on! Sail on! Sail on!"

storms will soon be past, The dark-ness will not al - ways last; Sail on! Sail on! God
sail on! sail on! sail on!

lives and He com-mands: "Sail on! Sail on!"
sail on! sail on! sail on!

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:*

Christopher Allen

(Carol & David Allen's grandson)

Karolina Atsalis (friend of the Abrahams)

Reed Baer

Tom Clark (nephew of Rik Clark)

Rick Clay (brother of Sharon Hunt)

Neil Constantine

(brother of Alexander Constantine)

Bill and Dottie Brower

Tom Davis

Ginny Dolan (friend of the Haven Family)

Betsy Eidem (friend of Carol Allen)

Susan Emery (Jane Ketchen's sister)

Emy and Yessica (friends of Christie Burns)

Ned Flynn (Ted's father)

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)

Phillip Jacobs (friend of the pastors)

Nelson Jenkins (friend of Tripp Grohe)

David Kuehn

(friend of Robin Miller and Kim Baker)

Gary Komosky (Chris Haven's brother)

Martha Lant (sister-in-law of Peggie Bretz)

Lauren (friend of Christie Burns)

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)

Stephen Merritt (Sharon Wyman's cousin)

Greg Miller

Mike Morris (Liz Knox-Lupfer & Dan Lupfer's daughter-in-law's father)

Brian Murphy

Peggy Nelson

Kathleen Nolan

(friend of Dale and Sandy Seidsma)

Paul (friend of Ellen and Tom Davis)

Phil Peck (friend of Rik Clark)

Carol Polidoro

John Pullen (friend of Dan Enos)

Savanna Ramotar (friend of Sharon Hunt)

Scarlett (former Family School student)

Sybil (Carol Allen's daughter)

Pat Smith (Michael Smith's mother)

Nina Stasiowski

(Marianne Williams sister-in-law)

Joanne Stubbins

Nancy Sturgis (friend of Joanne Wallace)

Benji Stuart

(grandson of Heiti and Bill Manning)

Jim Sweeney (Randy Parker's brother-in-law)

Gary Toye (brother of Bobbie Jordan)

Roy Urbach (friend of Karen Datlowe)

Nancy Woodman

(friend of Marianne Williams)

Rev. Dr. Craig Yohn

The Week of August 10, 2025

Sunday	8/10/25	10:00 am 5:00 pm	Worship AA (J)
Monday	8/11/25	5:00 pm 7:00 pm	AA (J) AA (J)
Tuesday	8/12/25	5:00 pm 7:00 pm	AA (J) W. B. Festival Committee (G)
Wednesday	8/13/25	4:00 pm 5:00 pm	FS Board (G) AA (J)
Thursday	8/14/25	10:00 am 5:00 pm	Rooster Crows Creative Crafters (J) AA (J)
Friday	8/15/25	10:00 am 5:00 pm	Knitting Group (G) AA (J)
Saturday	8/16/25		
Sunday	8/17/25	10:00 am 5:00 pm	Worship AA (J)

- ♦ **Please join us for fellowship at Coffee Hour in Jenkins Hall.** Our hosts today are Liz Knox-Lupfer and Dan Lupfer.
- ♦ **The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today** were arranged by Lynn Parker.
- ♦ **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.
- ♦ **Prayer List** – please notify the church office of any additions, deletions, or changes you wish to make. Call 508-362-4445, email office@westparish.org, leave a note, or stop on by.

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
Susan Moeller, Council Chair
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