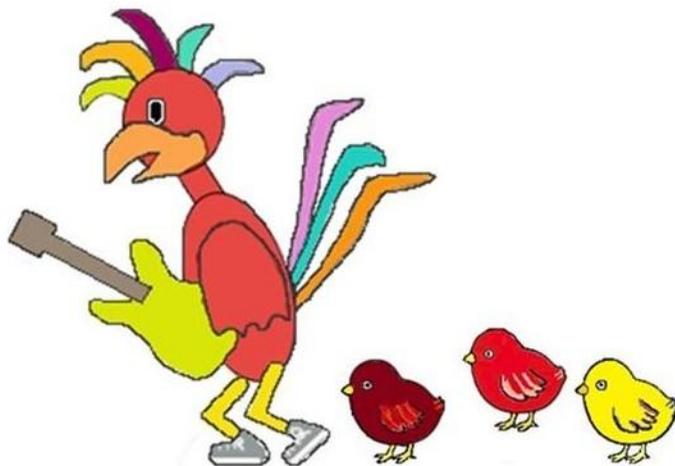


*It's Saturday*



# **Let's Do Church!**

WEST PARISH OF BARNSTABLE, UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

November 1, 2025

4:30 p.m.

## *Transforming Love*

Jesus said, "Today is salvation day in this home!  
Here he is Zacchaeus, son of Abraham!  
For the Son of Man came to find and restore the lost."

Luke 19:9-10

**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 #401

Amazing Grace

**Amazing grace! How sweet the sound  
that saved and set me free!  
I once was lost, but now am found;  
was blind, but now I see.**

**‘Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!**

**Through many dangers, toils and snares,  
I have already come;  
‘tis grace has brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.**

**When we’ve been there ten thousand years,  
bright shining as the sun,  
we’ve no less days to sing God’s praise  
than when we’d first begun.**

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, with Pastor Reed and we have John Williams as our guest musician with the band, 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

One: Sometimes we feel too small and insignificant to be of any notice to Jesus.

**Many: Yet the Lord provides a tree for us to climb so that we can see Jesus.**

One: That tree is faithfulness, compassion, love, hope, joy.

**Many: We are given the opportunity to witness to the Savior's presence in our lives.**

One: Lord, help us when we forget how much we are loved by Christ.

**Many: Open our hearts to receive his invitation this day. AMEN.**

OPENING PRAYER

**O God who spreads amazing grace over us, remind us that we are saved and free. Teach us how to welcome the stranger and love the one who feels unlovable. You have loved us our whole lives. Remind us that you have been beside us when we falter and lose our way. Teach us to climb that tree like Zacchaeus to see you. And help us come down from that tree to do the work of loving and caring for the world today. 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

A SONG OF PRAYER

INVITATION TO SHARING OUR GIFTS

*We now accept Venmo, the QR code and instructions are on page 8.*

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

In the time of Jesus, sharing a meal with others was never a casual matter. But Jesus welcomed everyone – when he sat at table with all those society pushed to the margins, the ill, the tax collectors, those condemned as sinners, he proclaimed that God’s care knows no bounds.

We proclaim again the comfort and challenge of that witness: all are invited now to share God’s table and be nourished by the bread of life. Here is the bread, here is the wine.

## THE COMMUNION PRAYER

**Let us pray.**

**We thank you, God, that you have provided for all the worlds that ever were or will be by giving yourself to them in love. If we go to the height of the mountains, or if we make the grave our bed, you are with us. If we go to the depths of the sea, your right hand holds us fast.**

**We thank you for Jesus, your Word, who lived among us, uncovering your presence. We thank you that you stamped his death with victory, and that Life, not death, has the final word.**

**We ask now that you bless us, as we share this bread and cup, that we might be nourished by the same unbounded love and so be encouraged to be your servants in the world. Amen**

## THE STORY OF THE LAST SUPPER

Among friends, gathered around a table, Jesus took bread, and having blessed it, he broke the bread and gave it to the disciples, saying, “This is my body which is given for 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 it and share it. I shall drink wine with you next in the coming kingdom of God.”

So now, following Jesus’ example, we take this bread and this wine; the ordinary things of the world through which God will bless us. And as Jesus offered thanks for the gifts of the earth, let us also celebrate God’s Goodness.

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come for all are invited to the table of Christ.

## UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**Bountiful God, we give you thanks that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED



SPECIAL SONG

*God Trying to Get Your Attention*

Keb Mo



SACRED WORDS FOR SACRED SPACE

Luke 19:1-10

MEDITATION

Transforming Love

Rev. Christie Burns

## GOD SENDS US FORTH



CLOSING SONG #427

*My Life Flows on in Endless Song*

Robert Lowry

**My life flows on in endless song; above earth's lamentation,  
I hear the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.**

***Refrain***

**No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm clinging.  
Since Love is Lord of heav'n and earth, how can I keep from singing?**

**Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing.  
It finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?**

***Refrain***

**What though my joys and comforts die? I know my Savior's living.  
What through the darkness gather round? Songs in the night he's giving.**

**Refrain**

The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing!  
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing?

**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

“Saturday School” is underway, a special class for our youngsters, held over in Jenkins Hall, led by Pastor Reed and Cassie Estey, during the last 20 minutes of the service. We can always use an extra pair of hands. If you are 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 November 1, 2025**

<b>Saturday</b>	11/1/25	4:30 pm	Worship
<b>Sunday</b>	11/2/25	10:00 am 11:30 am 5:00 pm	Worship Deacons (G) AA (J)
<b>Monday</b>	11/3/25	9:00 am 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	FS Enrichment (J) AA (J) AA (J)
<b>Tuesday</b>	11/4/25	11:00 am 11:00 am 4:30 pm 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal (M) Christie's Coffee Hours at Nirvana Bell Choir Rehearsal (M) AA (J) WITS at Pastor Christie's
<b>Wednesday</b>	11/5/25	9:00 am 1:00 pm 4:00 pm 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) Bible Study (G & Z) FS Faculty (G) AA (J)
<b>Thursday</b>	11/6/25	10:00 am 5:00 pm	Rooster Crows Creative Crafters (J) AA (J)
<b>Friday</b>	11/7/25	9:00 am 10:00 am 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) Knitting Group (G) AA (J)
<b>Saturday</b>	11/8/25	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**

