

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 Peaceable Kingdom

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Founders' Day

November 9, 2025

10:00 a.m.

What are the “swords” in our own time that need to be transformed?
What “weapons” do we use in our daily living that hurt and destroy others?
What would it take for us to be able to see the potential of creating something beautiful
not out of weapons of destruction? -Anita Louise Schell

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

Rev. Betsy Garland

*HYMN #448 (Green)

"Lead On, O Cloud of Presence"

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

All: Be glad and rejoice forever –

One: We shall enjoy the work of our hands. Children shall be raised in security, and old people shall live long and with honor. The natural world shall be in harmony, and no more shall there be human weeping or the cry of distress.

Many: No one will hurt or destroy in all God's holy mountain.

One: God is creating a new heaven and a new earth.

Many: God began with one resurrection.

One: God is putting an end to death.

All: God began with one life. *-Maren Tirabassi*

PRELUDE

"Day by Day"

O. Ahnfelt, arr. D. Paxton

UNISON PRAYER

God of all living, we celebrate the chilly November beauty of these windy days—for leaf-lost trees and wet roads, for geese and birds vanishing south, for squirrels finishing their acorn gathering, for early dark. We are grateful for warmth we find in family, friends, and church that sustains us now and in the winter months of our lives, and we praise you for the harvest of good words in the Good News, the ingathering through forgiveness of all who confess their sins and the reconciliation of so many people. We thank you for Jesus Christ who is our model, strength, redeemer, and friend, and in whose name we gather together to worship today. Amen. *-Maren Tirabassi*

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

"Hymn of Promise"

N. Sleeth

THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 65:17-25

SOLO

"Be Thou My Vision"

arr. A. Parker

MESSAGE

"Imagine a World of Compassion"

Reverend Betsy

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

*HYMN #500 (Green)

"O for a World"

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

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

"Praeambulum"

J. H. Scheidemann

*SONG OF PRAISE

Praise God for love we all may share.

Praise God for beauty everywhere.

Praise God for hope of good to be.

Praise God for truth that makes us free. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOD SENDS US FORTH

*HYMN #515 (Green)

"This Is My Song"

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE "Lobe den Herren, den machtigen Konig der Ehren" J.G. Walther
(It is our custom to remain seated in silence during the Postlude)

* All who wish, please stand.

Thank you to Reverend Betsy Aldrich Garland for leading us in worship today. She is an ordained UCC minister who has been worshipping with her partner Kim Baker at West Parish since she retired from serving churches in RI. Since then, Betsy has been leading our Bible Study and this fall, focusing on Jesus' question, "Who do you say that I am?"

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

Randy Parker

Christopher Allen (Carol & David Allen's grandson)
Karolina Atsalis (friend of the Abrahams)
Rick Clay (Sharon Hunt's brother)
Neil Constantine (Alexander Constantine's brother)
David Coward (Betsy Miller's brother)
Bill and Dottie Brower
Ginny Dolan (friend of the Haven Family)
Betsy Eidem (friend of Carol Allen)
Emy and Yessica (friends of Christie Burns)
Ned Flynn (Ted's father)
George Flynn (Betsy Miller's brother)
Jay Griffin (Peggie Bretz' brother)
Sharon Griffin (Peggie Bretz' sister-in-law)
Susie Huang (Bob Naylor's friend)
Deidre Hunt (Sharon and John Hunt's daughter-in-law)
Gina Jacinto (Joanne Wallace's friend)
Nelson Jenkins (Tripp Grohe's friend)
David Kuehn (friend of Robin Miller and Kim Baker)
Gary Komosky (Chris Haven's brother)
Martha Lant (Peggie Bretz's sister-in-law)
Meredith Leonard (Debbie Barrette's mother)
Cheryl Lickteig (Jeanne Douglass' friend)

Adrienne Locklear (Kelly and Macayla Washburn's family)
Sue Maki (Joanne Wallace's friend)
Jacquie and Don Martin
Bill McEwen (Susan McEwen's husband)
David Mendelow (Sandy Clark's friend)
Stephen Merritt (Sharon Wyman's cousin)
Greg Miller
Robin Miller
Brian Murphy
Peggy Nelson
Jordan Northcross (Van Northcross' brother)
Colleen Pastore (friend of John Hunt)
Carol Polidoro
Savanna Ramotar (Sharon Hunt's friend)
Andrea Schwamb (friend of Robin Miller)
Joanne Stubbins
Nancy Sturgis (Joanne Wallace's friend)
Benji Stuart (Heiti and Bill Manning's grandson)
Jim Sweeney (Randy Parker's brother-in-law)
Calvin Toyne (Bobbie Jordan's brother)
Gary Toyne (Bobbie Jordan's brother)
Marvin Toyne (Bobbie Jordan's brother)
Roy Urbach (Karen Datlowe's friend)
Nancy Woodman (Marianne Williams' friend)
Rev. Dr. Craig Yohn

The Week of November 9, 2025

Sunday	11/9/25	10:00 am	Worship
		11:15 am	1717 MHF Annual Meeting (M)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Monday	11/10/25	9:00 am	FS Enrichment (J)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
		6:00 pm	Meetinghouse Farm (G)
		7:00 pm	AA (J)
Tuesday	11/11/25		Office Closed
		11:00 am	Choir Rehearsal (M)
		4:30 pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal (M)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Wednesday	11/12/25	9:00 am	FS Science (J)
		4:00 pm	FS Board (G)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Thursday	11/13/25		Rooster Crows Articles Due
		8:00 am	Mens' Breakfast at Jack's Out Back
		10:00 am	Rooster Crows Creative Crafters (J)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Friday	11/14/25	9:00 am	FS Science (J)
		10:00 am	Knitting Group (G)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Saturday	11/15/25	4:30 pm	Worship
Sunday	11/16/25	10:00 am	Worship
		5:00 pm	AA (J)

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

- ◆ **Please join us in Jenkins Hall after the 1717 Meetinghouse Foundation Annual Meeting for a light luncheon.**
- ◆ **The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today** are in honor of the loved ones of the congregation. They were given by Ken & Diane Juthe and arranged by Chris Haven.
- ◆ **Thank you to everyone** who has sponsored the flowers for the Meetinghouse this year. Keep an eye out for the Poinsettias sign up in the December Rooster Crows newsletter and next year's Flower Calendar.
- ◆ **The Coffee Hour sign up** is on the sign-up board next to the kitchen pass thru window 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 such as "Deacons Fund", just note that in the description.

Church Staff

Reed Baer, Pastor and Teacher
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