

West Parish of Barnstable
The Rooster Crows Newsletter



WORSHIP AT WEST PARISH

SATURDAY 4:30 pm

June 6 The Call of Abraham

June 13 End of Year Celebration with BBQ.

Please bring side dishes to share like salads or dessert.

There will be kebabs, hamburgers and hot dogs provided by the church.

SUNDAY 10:00 am

June 7 Humor Sunday. LOL. ROFL. Etc.

June 14 "Building and Grounds Sunday"

We will honor those who take care of B&G

June 21 Rev. Bob Naylor preaches

June 28 Annual Meeting Sunday -- New Members join!

**CALL TO THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION of West Parish of Barnstable
Sunday, June 28, 2026 at 11:00 AM in the WEST PARISH MEETINGHOUSE**

The Church Council has established Sunday, June 28, 2026, 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

ALL CHURCH BBQ
Saturday, June 13 after worship

Come celebrate the end of the year and start of summer with us in the field outside Jenkins.

Bring a blanket or beach chair to sit on and enjoy being outside

Please bring side dishes to share like salads or dessert.



Kebabs, hamburgers, and hot dogs will be provided by the church along with lemonade and iced tea.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER?

Talk to a pastor if you have questions about membership – I mean, why become a member, is there more to it than getting a vote at Annual Meeting? We will be receiving three new members on June 28, and would love to welcome you aboard as you join them!

WEST PARISH MINI-GOLF TOURNAMENT!

Date t/b/d 4:00 pm
Sandwich Mini Golf, Rt. 6A

All are invited to the third EVER West Parish Mini-Golf Tournament at the mini golf course on Rt. 6A in Sandwich. Yes, open to all, even if you have never held a putter before!

Following the round we will adjourn to the 19th Hole (a.k.a. the pastors' home) down the road in East Sandwich for a beverage of your choice, some snacks, and the awards presentation:

Low Score; Most Holes in One;
High Score; Best Dressed;
Submariner Award; and so on.



Greens Fee: \$20

THANKS TO BOARD MEMBERS & OFFICERS!

Thanks to all who have served this past year as officers, board members, and committee members! You are Christ's hands and feet right here! God bless you all!

WOMEN IN THE SPIRIT

June 2 at 6 pm 8 Earl Rd, E. Sandwich



Our annual potluck supper!
Please bring something to share and come to celebrate the friendships in our small group.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Thursday, June 11

8 am at Jack's Out Back

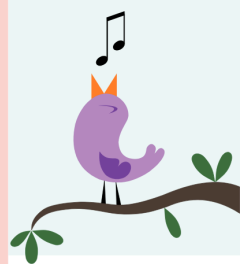


Be there, aloha!



THANK YOU TO THE CHOIRS!

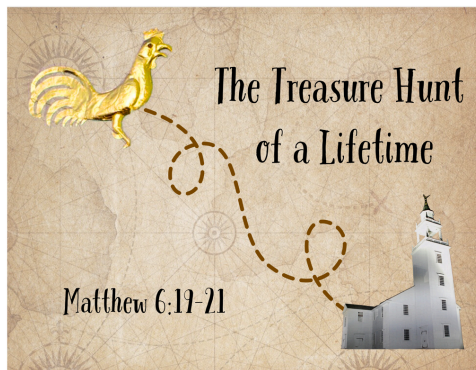
Well, it has been a busy year for both the Adult and Bell Choirs! We integrated both choirs in some pieces, combined bells with boomwackers and added a bit of a theatrical flair for Music Sunday and Humor Sunday. Everyone was open to trying new ideas and stretching their imaginations. The sky is the limit for this group of fun, dedicated members of our community.



Thanks for an amazing year!

*Paula King,
Music Director*





THE TREASURE HUNT OF A LIFETIME

Matthew 6:19-21

“Don’t hoard treasure down here where it gets eaten by moths and corroded by rust or—worse!—stolen by burglars. Stockpile treasure in heaven, where it’s safe from moth and rust and burglars. It’s obvious, isn’t it? The place where your treasure is, is the place you will most want to be, and end up being.”

What do you treasure most? By now you have heard from the pastor and five members of this congregation speaking on what they treasure most. Each had his/her own unique story to tell about their journey here at West Paris: They were drawn by a church that welcomes everyone, they felt supported and nurtured in their time of need, they were proud of the impact that the church had on the community beyond, they got involved and never looked back. They loved the people and community at WP.

It's time to reflect on your own story, what has West Parish meant to you? Does it have a special place in your heart? Can you imagine what your journey would have been like without West Parish? I can't. We treasure West Parish for all that it has given us over the years. It's a place to worship, a place to learn, a place of friendship, a place of generosity, and a place of creativity.

Each year at this time we ask that you put a little back. **West Parish needs your financial support to continue to be your special place of treasure.** A pledge is important for its obvious financial impact, but it also allows us to plan ahead knowing what we can afford. Please pledge to keep this wonderful treasure thriving. A little increase (\$) would also be much appreciated,

Bruce,
Chair, Stewardship Committee

Rooster Crows Creative Crafting Corner - Come Create with Us!

If you are new to West Parish you may not know about our amazing Rooster Crows Fair in November which features handmade crafts, baked goods, and other elements of a traditional church fair. And although November seems like a long way off, several of us have been busy working throughout the winter on various craft projects and planning for the coming crafting season.

Come join us! You do not need to be an artist or expert crafter – just someone who wants to experience the joy of creating something new and connecting with others in a fun community. If you can trace & cut, fold, glue, string, sew, knit, crochet, paint, or glue we welcome you!

We will begin in-person crafting time in July; meeting on the second and fourth Thursdays over the summer; expanding to weekly in September after Labor Day.

This summer we will gather on July 9 & 23 and August 13 & 27 at 10 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 am in the Guild Room.

Can't make it during the day? If there is enough interest, we will offer some evening sessions as well. We can also provide ideas, patterns and supplies if you prefer to work independently at home.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to the coordinating team (Karen, Jane, and Liz) at RCF.Creatives@gmail.com.

SMALL GROUPS AT WEST PARISH

Small groups are a great way to get to know one another, have fun, and grow in the Spirit.
They are always looking to welcome new folk.

Women in the Spirit (WITS)

A women's fellowship and spirituality group that meets at the pastor's house, 8 Earl Road, East Sandwich, on the first Tuesday of the month at 7 pm, October through June.

Contact Pastor Christie at associatepastor@westparish.org.

Men's Breakfast Group

We meet on the second Thursday of the month at 8 am at Jack's Out Back in Yarmouth Port. Good eats and good conversation.

Contact Bob Wyman at robertwyman@hotmail.com.

The Knitters

Meet in the Guild Room each Friday from 10 am to noon. Bring your needlepoint, rug hooking, knitting, crochet work in progress!

Contact Robin Fryer at rfryer@aol.com.

The Rooster Crows Creative Crafters

Crafty? Not so crafty? We welcome all levels at our sessions. Pop-up sessions are in May and June with regularly scheduled sessions starting in July.

Contact Liz Knox-Lupfer at knox.elizabeth@verizon.net.

Bible Study

Rev. Betsy Garland and Pastor Reed lead the group on Wednesdays live in the Guild Room and by Zoom from 1 – 2 pm.

Contact Rev. Betsy at betsyaldrichgarland@gmail.com.

The Choirs

Do you like to sing? Can you count? Do you love to make music? The both choirs meet Tuesdays in the Meetinghouse. The adult choir meets at 11 am and the handbell choir meets at 4:30 pm.

Contact Music Director Paula King at music@westparish.org

Church Office Professionals



Serving the Faithful, faithfully

Donations Requested

Each year our office administrator, Susan McEwen, attends the conference for the Church Office Professionals in mid-June. They hold an outreach collection for a local Cape Cod non-profit group. This year they contacted the Cape Cod Foster Closet.

Their mission is to support foster and caregiver families by providing clothing, basic necessities, helping hands and emotional support and they envision a vibrant community of compassionate, like-minded individuals who desire to encourage, serve and nurture foster and caregiver families.

The Cape Cod Foster Closet is asking for:

Boys and Girls short and short sleeve shirts in sizes 10, 12, 14/16, and in Adult XS, S, M and L.

If you'd like to contribute, please drop off any items to Susan in the office.

Thank you for your generosity.

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:

Christopher Allen (Carol & David Allen's grandson)
The Atsalis Family (friends of Rich & Lauren Abraham)
Matt Burch (son-in-law of Suzanne McMillan)
Pat Clark (family of Rik & Sandy Clark)
Emy and Yessica (friends of Christie Burns)
Rudy Giannetti (friend of Paula King)
Donna Grohe
Tripp Grohe
Sarah & Cody Hudspeth
(Sharon Hunt's niece & her husband)
Clyde Hunt (brother of John Hunt)
Gina Jacinto (Joanna Wallace's friend)
Nelson Jenkins (Tripp Grohe's friend)
Dave & Barbara Kern (friends of Joanna Wallace)
Sue Maki (Joanna Wallace's friend)
Lily McCardle
(granddaughter of Elaine & Stephen Bartlett)
Jason Miller (Robin & Jim Miller's son)
Greg Opp (family member of Bobbie Jordan)
Randy Parker
Carol Polidoro
Gary Toye (Bobbie Jordan's brother)
Marvin Toye (Bobbie Jordan's brother)
Roy Urbach (friend of Karen Datlowe)
Joanna Wallace

Please notify the church office of any additions, deletions, or changes you wish to make.

Happy Birthday

to our West Parish members and friends

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

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



Spring has Sprung at WPFS and there is lots to do now that the weather is getting warmer!



The beginning of May brought us Teacher Appreciation week, with lots of great surprises each day for our teachers put together from our Parent Association.



That same week, the Toddler Teachers put together a sweet mid-day *Muffins with Mom* to celebrate Mother's Day and for all of the women who care for the students in our toddler rooms.



We took our wagons and headed to Meetinghouse Farm for their annual plant sale and started our gardens, with some veggies and some edible flowers.

The kids are so excited and are already watering the plants everyday to care for them.



UPDATE ON THE GALA!

The Gala will be on Friday, October 23rd from 6 pm-9 pm at the Cotuit Center for the Arts
"Rooted in tradition, reaching for tomorrow", A Golden Celebration

Treats Catering will be providing some delectable, passed appetizers, we have some very exciting Trips and Exclusive packages for our live auction, Tish Adams and her Blues and Jazz band will perform and so much more to come! Save the Date cards will go out June 1st in the mail!

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Ellie Augusta won the GOLD MEDAL at the regional competition for those who practice auto repair and refinishing! She is off to the Nationals in early June! Congratulations, Ellie!

Rooster Crows Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for submissions for the July/August 2026 newsletter is Thursday, June 18.

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

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