

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

6th Sunday of Easter

May 10, 2026

10:00 a.m.

*“...let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us,
looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith...”*

Hebrews 12:1-2

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

Pastor Reed Baer

*HYMN #206 (Green) *“I Danced in the Morning”* v. 1,2,3,5

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Beloved, this is the season of Easter:

Many: the celebration of resurrection,

One: the festival of hope,

Many: the promise of new beginnings,

One: the dance of faith,

Many: the song of joy,

One: the music of gladness,

Many: the hymn of love.

One: Let us worship our life-giving God!

PRELUDE

“Hymn to Joy”

arr. J. Cotter

UNISON PRAYER

**Ever-surprising God, alive and among us this day, to you no door is closed,
to you no heart is locked.**

**Draw us beyond our doubts and fears, till we see the risen Christ and say in
our hearts, “We believe.”**

Till we demonstrate with our hands, “We believe.”

**This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray together,
saying . . .**

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

Hebrews 11:32-12:2

SOLO

“Ave Maria”

F. Schubert

SERMON

“B+ Dress, B+ Parenting”

Pastor Reed

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

*HYMN #494 (Green)

“I Sing a Song of the Saints of God”

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

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Rich Abraham

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

“The Ones Who Mother Me”

A. Killian

*SONG OF PRAISE

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Praise God all creatures here below,

**Praise God above ye heavenly host,
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOD SENDS US FORTH

*HYMN #368 (Green)

“Blest Be The Tie That Binds”

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE

*“All Things Bright and Beautiful”
and “For the Beauty of the Earth”*

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

* All who wish, please stand.

CWS BLANKETS

Blanket the World in Love

Blanketing the world in love is easy when people of faith unite through the Church World Service (CWS) Blankets and Kits ministry. Together, we can offer comfort, hope and warmth to our neighbors during their most challenging times.

Imagine the impact of your compassion. Each blanket and kit serves as a tangible expression of God's love—sharing warmth on a chilly night, relief in a crisis and a reminder that someone truly cares.



Join other generous donors and share tangible expressions of love with our neighbors in need:

- \$10** Provides a CWS Blanket to someone in need.
- \$25** Provides a CWS Blanket and a CWS Hygiene Kit, offering warmth and essential supplies.
- \$60** Family Bundle! Provides blankets and hygiene kits for an entire family, ensuring that they have what they need during challenging times.



*Be the hands and feet of Christ in the world.
Donate to CWS Blankets today! Scan this QR
code to get started*



Scan Me!

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

Pat Clark (family of Rik and Sandy Clark)

Christopher Allen (Carol & David Allen's grandson)

Karolina Atsalis (friend of Rich and Lauren Abraham)

Matt Burch (son-in-law of Suzanne McMillan)

Emy and Yessica (friends of Christie Burns)

Rudy Giannetti (friend of Paula King)

Donna Grohe

Tripp Grohe

Sarah and Cody Hudspeth (Sharon Hunt's niece and 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)

Jason Miller (Robin and 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.
Call 508-362-4445, email office@westparish.org, leave a note, or stop on by.*

The Week of May 10, 2026

Sunday	5/10/26	10:00 am 5:00 pm	Worship AA (J)
Monday	5/11/26	5:00 pm 7:00 pm	AA (J) AA (J)
Tuesday	5/12/26	11:00 am 4:30 pm 5:00 pm 6:15 pm	Choir Rehearsal (M) Bell Choir Rehearsal (M) AA (J) W. Barnstable Festival Committee (G)
Wednesday	5/13/26	9:00 am 1:00 pm 4:00 pm 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) Bible Study (G & Z) FS Board (G & Z) AA (J)
Thursday	5/14/26	8:00 am 5:00 pm	Men's Breakfast at Jack's Out Back AA (J)
Friday	5/15/26	9:00 am 10:00 am 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) Knitting Group (J) AA (J)
Saturday	5/16/26	4:30 pm	Worship
Sunday	5/17 /26	10:00 am 5:00 pm	Worship 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 worship for Coffee Hour.** Our hosts today are members of the Men's Breakfast Group.
- ♦ **The flowers gracing the altar today** were given by Matt & Cindy Tooker in remembrance of Marie & James Dinizo. They were arranged by Chris Haven.
- ♦ **The 2026 Flower Calendar** is up on the sign-up board in Jenkins Hall. Please sign up for sponsoring the flowers along with a dedication. The cost is \$32 and can be paid by cash, check, Vanco, or Venmo with "Flowers" in the memo. One of the members of the flower committee will contact you about the arrangement.
- ♦ **The Coffee Hour Host sign up** is on the board next to the kitchen pass thru window in Jenkins Hall. 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.

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

Venmo @WestParish or scan the QR code.



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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.

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