

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

1st Sunday after Pentecost

May 31, 2026

10:00 a.m.

“Then he took a deep breath and breathed into them. “Receive the Holy Spirit,” he said.”

John 20:22

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 #439 (Green)

“Every Time I Feel the Spirit”

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The Spirit comes on the rush of a mighty wind,

Many: Bringing a breathless anticipation of new dreams and amazing visions.

One: The Spirit spreads like fire,

Many: Bringing energy for witnessing to the love of God.

One: The Spirit descends like a dove,

Many: Bringing peace to unite the world as a just and caring community.

One: The Spirit comes like a breath,

Many: Whispering, healing and proclaiming promises of new life.

One: The Spirit comes! In countless forms, across all times and places, to all of God’s people.

Many: Come to us, Spirit of the living God. Come to us and transform our lives by your power!

PRELUDE

“The Lord’s Prayer”

A. Malotte

SCRIPTURE 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

One: No one can say

All: Jesus is Lord!

One: except by the Holy Spirit.

Two: Now there are a variety of gifts,

All: but the same Spirit

Three: and there are varieties of activities,

All: but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone.

Two: To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit

All: for the common good.

One: To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom,

Two: and to another the utterance of knowledge

Two and three: according to the same Spirit,

One: to another faith by the same Spirit,

Two: to another gifts of healing,

Two and Three: by the one Spirit,

One: to another working of miracles

Two: to another prophecy,

Three: to another the discernment of spirits,

One: to another various kinds of tongues

Two: to another the interpretation of tongues,

Two and Three: All these are activated by one and the same spirit,

All: who allots to each one individually

Three: Just as the Spirit chooses. For just as the body is one

All: and has many members and all members of the body, though many,

One: are one body, so it is with Christ.

Two: For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body – Jews or Greeks, slave or free –

All: and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

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

“The Gift of Love”

trad., arr. Hal Hopson

THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE

John 20:19-23

The Message

SOLO

“Beautiful City”

S. Schwartz

MESSAGE

“The Gifts of Pentecost for You”

Pastor Reed

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

*HYMN #220 (Green) *“Breathe on Me, Breath 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

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

“Invocation”

H. Kihlken

*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 #386 (Green) *“We Are One in the Spirit”*

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE *“Allegro”* from Concerto Op.7, No. 16 G.F. Handel
(It is our custom to remain seated in silence during the Postlude)

* All who wish, please stand.

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

Bryan Welsh (Rik & Sany Clark's grandson-in-law)

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)

Judy Ginns (friend of the Clarks)

Donna Grohe

Tripp Grohe

Sarah and Cody Hudspeth (Sharon Hunt's niece & her husband)

Clyde Hunt (brother of John Hunt)

Gina Jacinto (Joanna Wallace's friend)

Dave & Barbara Kern (friends of Joanna Wallace)

Beverly Lipson-Ketchen (Greg Ketchen's sister)

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

Betsy Sinnigen

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 31, 2026

Sunday	5/31/26	10:00 am 5:00 pm	Worship AA (J)
Monday	6/1/26	5:00 pm 7:00 pm	AA (J) AA (J)
Tuesday	6/2/26	11:00 am 4:30 pm 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal (M) Bell Choir Rehearsal (M) AA (J) WITS at Pastor Christie's
Wednesday	6/3/26	9:00 am 4:00 pm 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) FS Faculty (G) AA (J)
Thursday	6/4/26	5:00 pm 5:30 pm	AA (J) Family School 50 th Gala Committee (G)
Friday	6/5/26	9:00 am 10:00 am 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) Knitting Group (G) AA (J)
Saturday	6/7/26	4:30 pm	Worship
Sunday	6/8/26	10:00 am 11:30 am 5:00 pm	Worship Deacons (G) 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.** Today we celebrate folks with birthdays in March, April and May.
- ◆ **The flowers gracing the altar today** were given in memory of Shirley Palmer. They were arranged by Kelly Washburn.
- ◆ **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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