

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

2nd Sunday in Lent

March 13, 2022

10:00 a.m.

All are invited to stay for the full service today.
Church School is offered for the children at our 4:30 Saturday contemporary 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

PRELUDE

Meditation on "Gordon"

Gerald Peterson/Tune by Adoniram J. Gordon

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We are summoned here by our holy God,

All: who calls us each by name, and gathers us together in the unity of Jesus Christ.

One: From kitchen and carpool, workplace and place of leisure,

All: we are called into God's presence.

One: God calls not the perfect and the flawless,

All: and were God to do so, this Meetinghouse would indeed be empty!

One: God calls the sinner, the one in need of healing, the one with faith the size of a mustard seed, the one with faith that is faltering, the one with no faith at all, just hoping for a new way forward.

All: We gather for worship and praise, remembering that Christ Jesus came to save *the world*, and everyone in it.

One: Let us worship in thanksgiving and hope!

* HYMN #401 (Green)

"Amazing Grace"

NEW BRITAIN

UNISON PRAYER

Gracious Father, Heavenly Mother, our Creator, our Light, our Redeemer, you have called us together to worship just as we are.

We cannot pretend to be what we are not, for you have made us and know us through and through.

In our weakness, we come with prayers for strength; in our strength, we come with prayers of thanksgiving.

Open our hearts that we might pray with honesty, and await your answers with renewed faith.

May our praise and worship be unrestrained. Amen.

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.

SOLO

I Want Jesus To Walk With Me

African American spiritual/arr. David M. Cherwien

THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE

Luke 13:1-9

SERMON

"Time for a Change"

Pastor Reed

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

*HYMN #72 (Green)

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

WELLESLEY

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

*(At the conclusion of the prayer,
all are invited to light a prayer candle
as a tangible symbol of an inward 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.
Text to Give instructions are on the back page.*

GOD SENDS US FORTH

*HYMN #590 (Green)

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

FAITHFULNESS

A LITANY OF THANKS FOR GOD’S PROTECTING LOVE

ALL: Thank you, O God, for your protecting love.

One: When I am beaten and scared and feeling helpless,

**Many: thank you for shelters, like Independence House, that offer protection,
guidance and care.**

One: When I am homeless,

**Many: thank you for havens, like the NOAH Shelter, for food pantries, and soup
kitchens; and for those who serve with a compassion that can protect
dignity and provide food and clothing.**

One: When I am trapped in the grip of drugs, alcohol, and addiction,

**Many: thank you for transitional homes, like Angel House; for Alcoholics
Anonymous, and for other organizations that provide help.**

One: When I am sick,

**Many: thank you for the sheltering care of hospitals and clinics, like Cape Cod
Healthcare and its facilities, and for the doctors, nurses, and
professionals that provide care and medicine.**

One: When I am old and feeble,

**Many: thank you for the sheltering care of assisted living facilities and nursing
homes, like Brookdale.**

One: When I am dying,

Many: thank you for the sheltering care of hospice, like Hospice of Cape Cod.

One: When I am filled with doubt,

Many: thank you for the shelter of hope found in Jesus.

One: When I hurt others,

**Many: thank you for the shelter of forgiveness found in your unconditional
love.**

One: When I am afraid of how things will turn out,

**Many: thank you for bringing to my remembrance the knowledge that you, O
God, can work all things for good for those who are in Christ Jesus.**

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE

There's A Wideness in God's Mercy
Gerald Peterson/Tune: Armstrong by Henry Brimley Richards
(It is our custom to remain seated in silence during the Postlude)

* All who wish, please stand.

All are invited to join together for fellowship and refreshments following the service.

Our liturgy is drawn from SeasonoftheSpirit Congregational Life Lent/Easter.

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

Nancy Opp (friend of Bobbie Jordan)

Peter Abraham (Rich's brother)

Karolina Atsalis (friend of the Abrahams)

Winsome Bell (friend of Robin Fryer)

Roberta Booze (Robin Miller's mother)

Margaret and Bill Brummel (Roger Henson's sister and brother-in-law)

Josephine Bugryn (Joy Indomenico's sister)

Sandyi & Ken Campbell (friends of Dianna Henson)

Chris G. (friend of Christie Burns and Reed Baer)

David Darling

Ellen Davis

Judy Desrochers

Betsy Eidem (friend of Carol Allen)

Sean F (friend of Rebecca Moberg & the Moberg family)

Tim Foster (friend of Carol Allen)

Jenny Giering (friend of Christie Burns)

Jay Griffin (Peggie Bretz' brother)

Sharon Griffin (Peggie Bretz' sister-in-law)

Jeanie Hill and family (friends of Greg Williams)

Brian Hughes (neighbor of Joyce Joakim)

Mike Hovan (friend of Dan Enos)

Jason (nephew of Joy Indomenico)

Scot Johnson

Marty Lichterman (one of Van Northcross's best friends)

Bob Lonkart

Marisa Lonkart (Georgia's and Bob's daughter-in-law)

Jackie Mague

Brad Martin (friend of Marianne and Greg Williams)

Stewart Nelson (friend of Lynn & Randy Parker)

Jack Parmer (friend of Carol Allen)

Joan Perry

Sylvia Powers (friend of Barbara Rogers)

Savannah

Nick Sherman (friend of the Abrahams)

Alexis Teixeira (cousin of Barbara Walsh)

Ernie Walsh

Tom & Rhys White (Bruce and Pat White's family)

Lee Williams (mother of Tripp Grohe's friend, Mark Williams)

Nancy Woodman (friend of Marianne Williams)

Please notify the church office (508-362-4445) of any additions, deletions or changes you wish to make.

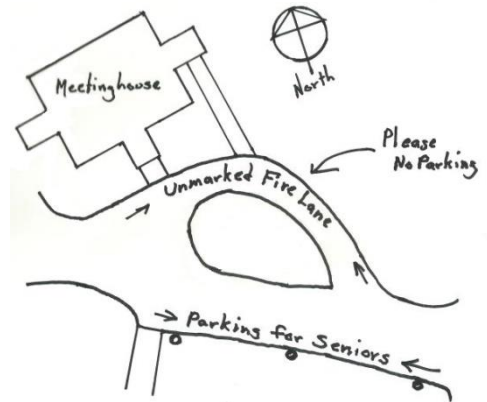
The Week of March 13, 2022

Sunday	3/13/22	10:00 am	Worship
Monday	3/14/22	10:00 am 5:00 pm	1717 MHF Program Committee (G) AA (J)
Tuesday	3/15/22	9:30 am 10:30 am 11:45 am 4:30 pm 5:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	FS Science (J) FS Science (J) Music Lessons (M) Finance (J) AA (J) Study Group (G) Zoom Book Club
Wednesday	3/16/22	9:30 am 10:30 am 12:00 pm 4:00 pm 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) FS Science (J) Bible Study (G & Zoom) FS Faculty (G) AA (J)
Thursday	3/17/22	9:15 am 1:00 pm 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	FS Science (J) Bridge Group (G) AA (J) AA (J)
Friday	3/18/22	9:30 am 10:30 am 10:30 am 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) FS Science (J) Knitting Group (G) AA (J)
Saturday	3/19/22	4:30 pm	Worship
Sunday	3/20/22	10:00 am	Worship

- ◆ **The ushers today are** Sue & Bruce Benwood and Ted Gould.
- ◆ **The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today** were given by Peggie Bretz in memory of Betty Griffin. They were arranged by Lynn Parker.
- ◆ **The flower sponsorship calendar is up!** Stop by the kiosk in Jenkins Hall or call the office to check the dates available and pick one (or more) to sponsor the flowers. For \$32, payable in the office, one of the flower committee will put together an arrangement for you and have it in place in the Meetinghouse.
- ◆ **The Coffee Hour sign up** is on the kiosk in Jenkins. If you can spare a little of your time to help with preparing and serving 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 teardrop closest to the Meetinghouse. Although it is not marked, it is a FIRE LANE and preserves clear access to the Meetinghouse for Emergency Vehicles.

However, more parking is available. At least three, maybe four, spaces can be used on the west side of the Tear Drop for those with mobility issues.



Text to Give

If you haven't tried it out, it's easy:

1. Text 866-586-0169 (the give-by-text number for West Parish) and in the body of the message enter the amount you wish to donate and send.
2. You will receive a registration link. Click on it, enter your contact and payment information then press "Process."
3. After registration is complete, you will receive a verification text and receipt via email.

You only need to register and set up your payment information once.

For future giving, simply send a text with the amount you wish to give, and it will process automatically.

Add "West Parish Give by Text" as a contact on your phone to make it even easier!

If you have questions or would like help setting it up, see Marianne Williams.

Church Staff

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