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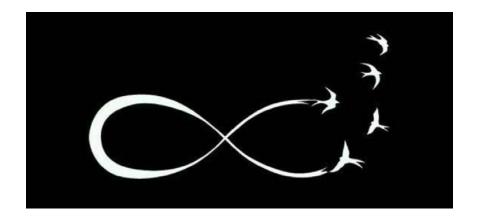
Gathered in London 1616 - Present Meetinghouse Erected in 1717

A Church in the Congregational Tradition

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

West Barnstable, Massachusetts





THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

23rd Sunday after Pentecost Founders Day Celebration

November 13, 2022 10:00 a.m.

"Pay close attention now:
I'm creating new heavens and a new earth.
All the earlier troubles, chaos, and pain
are things of the past, to be forgotten.
Look ahead with joy.
Anticipate what I'm creating...." Isaiah 65

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

*HYMN #80 (Green)

"Our God, Our Help In Ages Past"

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*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Reed Baer

One: We gather for worship today in the same way as did those who built this Meetinghouse all the way back in 1717.

Many: Now, as then, gather the aged pillars of the church, those stout oak beams whose faith has endured over the long haul.

One: Now, as then, gather those resilient saints, who in the same way as arching beams are bent to the task of supporting a roof, bend themselves to the ministries to which they are called.

Many: Now, as then, gather those with gifts for reconciliation and concord, who through their presence bind us together as small pegs lock beam to truss, pillar to post.

One: Now, as then, gather we all, stewards of a living church, breathed into life by God's loving spirit, built into the church of Jesus Christ.

Many: We gather for worship today in the same way as did those who built this Meetinghouse all the way back in 1717: in thanksgiving, and with praise!

PRELUDE Have Faith in God, My Heart with O, For A Faith That Will Not Shrink Bryn Austin Rees/ William H. Bathurst & John B. Dykes/arr. Melody Bober

UNISON PRAYER

Eternal God, we offer thanksgiving and praise to you on this festive Founders Day. We give you thanks for those who responded to your call to establish this church.

We acknowledge our gratitude for the continuing ministry and mission of our church through the years. We thank you for all that our church has meant to its members, and to those its ministry has touched, and to the United Church of Christ.

We give thanks as well for those who have labored to maintain this Meetinghouse, and particularly give thanks for the good stewardship of the 1717 Meetinghouse Foundation in its task of preserving this ancient and storied structure.

Look upon us this day with mercy. Bless us as we reconsecrate ourselves to you. Help us preserve the best of the past and to be open to a new vision. May this local church long continue to be a sign of your Spirit and a witness to Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray:

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.

THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

A DREAM FOR THE FUTURE based on Isaiah 65:17-25

SOLO Find Us Faithful John Mohr/arr. Jack Schrader

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 65:17-25

MESSAGE "Infinite Possibilities" Pastor Reed

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. On this weekend following our national holiday of Veterans' Day, let us hold in prayer those serving us in our armed forces, as well as those whose service is past, seeking together to be Ever Faithful to the Call.

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.

Text to Give instructions are on the back page.

OFFERTORY

May The Mind of Christ My Savior ST. LEONARDS
A. Cyril Barham-Gould/setting by Jack Schrader

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of our lives whose call comes clear Through Jesus Christ, your presence near, By Spirit led, your will we heed, Your grace to show in word and deed. Amen.

GOD SENDS US FORTH

*HYMN #482 (Green) "Forward Through the Ages" ST. GERTRUDE

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE God Of Our Fathers TUNE: "National Hymn" by George W. Warren/arr. David Paxton

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

All are invited to stay for the Annual Meeting of the 1717 Meetinghouse Foundation immediately following the service.

^{*}SONG OF PRAISE

^{*} All who wish, please stand.



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777.7 THE CALL

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:

Peter Abraham (Rich's brother) Karolina Atsalis (friend of the Abrahams) Margaret and Bill Brummel (Roger Henson's sister and brother-in-law) Josephine Bugryn (Joy Indomenico's sister) Faith Clark (sister of Rik Clark) Ellen Davis Judy Desrochers Betsy Eidem (friend of Carol Allen) Jay Griffin (Peggie Bretz' brother) Sharon Griffin (Peggie Bretz' sister-in-law) Christine Hayes (Stepmother of Lauren Abraham) Mike Hovan (friend of Dan Enos) **Jason** (nephew of Joy Indomenico) J.P. Joakim (Joyce Joakim's son) Martha Lant (sister-in-law of Peggie Bretz) Marisa Lonkart (Georgia's daughter-in-law) Iackie Mague *Nancy Opp* (friend of Bobbie Jordan) **Iack Parmer** (friend of Carol Allen) Joan Perry **Sylvia Powers** (friend of Barbara Rogers) Savannah (friend of Sharon and John Hunt) Sophie (Joyce Joakim's sister in law) Marilyn Swain (Janet Joakim's aunt) Alexis Teixeira (cousin of Barbara Walsh) Mary-Ann Tu Steve and Heather Walker (friends of Sharon and John Hunt) Barbara Walsh

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

Nancy Woodman (friend of Marianne Williams)

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

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

Joanne Wastrom (wife of former 1717 Trustee Bob Wastrom and friend of Donna & Tripp Grohe)

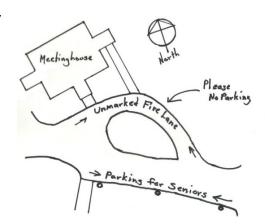
The Week of November 13, 2022			
Sunday	11/13/22	10:00 am	Worship
		11:15 am	1717 M. Foundation Annual Meeting (M)
Monday	11/14/22	8:30 am-2:00 pm	FS Parent Conferences (G)
		11:30 am	Christie's Coffee Hours at Bread + Roses
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Tuesday	11/15/22	8:30 am-4:00 pm	FS Parent Conferences (G)
		9:00 am	FS Science (J)
		12:00 pm	Music Lessons (M)
		4:30 pm	Finance (G & Zoom)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
		6:15 pm	Handbells (M)
Wednesday	11/16/22	8:30 am-11:30 am	FS Parent Conferences (G)
		9:30 am	FS Science (J)
		10:30 am	FS Science (J)
		12:00 pm	Bible Study (G & Z)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Thursday	11/17/22		Rooster Crows Articles Due
		9:15 am	FS Science (J)
		10:00 am	Crafters (J)
		1:00 pm	Bridge Group (G)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Friday	11/18/22		Rooster Crows Fair Set Up
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Saturday	11/19/22	9:00 am-2:00 pm	Rooster Crows Fair
	, ,	4:30 pm	Worship
Sunday	11/20/22	10:00 am	Worship
		11:00 am	Church Council (G)

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

- ♦ There will be no Coffee Hour today.
- The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today were given by the 1717 Meetinghouse Foundation in honor of Founders Day. They were arranged by Lynn Parker.
- The Flower Calendar is full! Thank you to all who have sponsored the flower arrangements this year. A new calendar will be posted soon.
- 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.

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