# 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 after Epiphany Beatles Sunday!

February 12, 2023 10:00 a.m.

"As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishers.

And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people."

Matthew 4:18-19

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 #258 (Green)

"Morning Has Broken"

BUNESSAN

# RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Reed Baer

One: We praise you, O God of our ancestors, God of our descendents,

Many: God of this generation, God of all of us, God of me.

One: We thank you, O God, for holding in your hands the all of us, past, present, and future, Many: Our triumphs and failures, our hopes and our fears, our gladness and our regrets.

One: We worship you, O God, giving thanks for all our blessings,

Many: and seeking to be empowered to be blessings to the world.

All: Amen!

**PRELUDE** 

The Long and Winding Road

John Lennon & Paul McCartney

The long and winding road that leads to your door ~ will never disappear I've seen that road before, it always takes me here, lead me to your door.

# UNISON PRAYER

Gracious God, we have come here this day searching for you, because we believe that you are searching for us. In countless ways you have reached out to us, tugged at our hearts, courted us, spoken to us.

We confess that sometimes we have searched for you in all the wrong places.

We admit that sometimes we have thought that we found you when we only found cheap substitutes.

Find us this day, O God. Discover us anew so that we might find you and, in finding, love you, and in loving you, serve you in all we do.

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.

# THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

**SCRIPTURE** 

Matthew 8:23-27

ANTHEM

The Beatles in Revue (Medley)

arr. Ed Lojeski

Day Tripper, A Hard Day's Night, Can't Buy Me Love, Eleanor Rigby, Ticket to Ride, Let It Be, She Loves You, All My Loving, Yesterday, The Long and Winding Road, Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band, All You Need Is Love, I Want to Hold, Your Hand, Hey Jude

\*\*\*At the end please join with the choir in singing:

Da.. da da, da da da da da da da da Hey Jude Repeat 3 More Times

**MESSAGE** 

"The Long and Winding Road"

Pastor Reed

# THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

\*SONG "Here Comes The Sun"

George Harrison

Here comes the sun, here comes the sun, and I say "it's all right".

Little darling, it's been a long, cold lonely winter.

Little darling, it feels like years since it's been here.

Here comes the sun, here comes the sun, and I say "it's all right".

Little darling, the smiles returning to the faces.

Little darling, it seems like years since it's been here.

Here comes the sun, here comes the sun, and I say "it's all right".

Sun, sun, sun, here it comes

Sun, sun, sun, here it comes

Little darling, I feel that ice is slowly melting.

Little darling, it seems like years since it's been clear.

Here comes the sun, here comes the sun, and I say "it's all right". Here comes the sun, here comes the sun. It's all right. It's all right.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS, AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

(If so moved, share a moment of joy with the congregation, the pastor will reply, "Amen!", and the congregation will respond back, "Amen!")

#### 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.

Text to Give instructions are on the back page.

#### OFFERTORY

"Let It Be"

Lennon and McCartney

When I find myself in times of trouble, Mother Mary comes to me, speaking words of wisdom, let it be.

And in my hour of darkness, she is standing right in front of me, speaking words of wisdom, let it be.

Let it be, let it be, let it be, let it be. Whisper words of wisdom, let it be.

And when the broken hearted people living in the world agree, there will be an answer, let it be.

For though they may be parted there is still a chance that they will see, there will be an answer, let it be.

Let it be, let it be, let it be, let it be. There will be an answer, let it be.

And when the night is cloudy, there is still a light that shines on me, shine until tomorrow, let it be.

I wake up to the sound of music, Mother Mary comes to me, speaking words of wisdom, let it be.

Let it be, let it be, let it be, let it be.

Whisper words of wisdom, let it be.

# \*SONG OF PRAISE

As those on whom the Spirit fell Went boldly forth your praise to tell, So may we too be led this day To praise you boldly, as did they. Amen.

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

# **GOD SENDS US FORTH**

**CLOSING SONG** 

"Imagine"

John Lennon

(After the music is played through once, join in the singing)

Imagine there's no heaven. It's easy if you try No hell below us, above us only sky. Imagine all the people living for today...Ah...

Imagine there's no countries. It isn't hard to do. Nothing to kill or die for, and no religion too. Imagine all the people living life in peace.

You, you may say I'm a dreamer, but I'm not the only one I hope someday you'll join us and the world will be as one.

Imagine no possessions. I wonder if you can. No need for greed or hunger, a brotherhood of man. Imagine all the people sharing all the world.

You, you may say I'm a dreamer, but I'm not the only one I hope someday you'll join us and the world will live as one.

WORDS OF SENDING

**POSTLUDE** 

My Sweet Lord

George Harrison

My Sweet Lord, my Lord, my Lord
I really want to see you; Really want to be with you.
Really want to see you, Lord; but it takes so long, my Lord.
I really want to know you; Really want to go with you.
Really want to show you, Lord that it won't take long, my Lord.
Hallelujah! My sweet Lord.

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

<sup>\*</sup> 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

All affected by the Turkey earthquake *Margaret Hornak* (friend of the Hensons)

Lauren Abraham

Peter Abraham (Rich's brother)

Karolina Atsalis (friend of the Abrahams)

Kate Bihler (friend of Robin Fryer)

**Pearl Burbank Bond** (friend of Jean Birch)

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)

Joy Indomenico

Dan Joakim (Joyce Joakim's son)

Karen (sister-in-law of a former parishioner of Bob Naylor)

Martha Lant (sister-in-law of Peggie Bretz)

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

Rev. Deborah Mahaney (friend of Robin Fryer)

Jack Parmer (friend of Carol Allen)

Sylvia Powers (friend of Barbara Rogers)

Savannah (friend of Sharon and John Hunt)

Sophie (Joyce Joakim's sister in law)

Shirley Stolte

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)

Nancy Walsh, John Kolf and Jake McGuire (friend of the Hensons and her grandsons)

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

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)

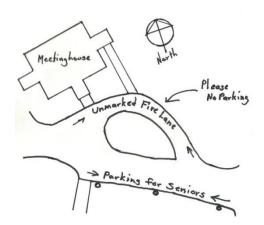
The Week of February 12, 2023			
Sunday	2/12/23	10:00 am	Worship
		11:30 am	Deacons (G)
		12:30 pm	Shaw Party (J)
Monday	2/13/23	11:30 am	Christie's Coffee Hours at Bread + Roses
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Tuesday	2/14/23	9:30 am	FS Science (J)
		10:30 am	FS Science (J)
		12:00 pm	Music Lessons (M)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Wednesday	2/15/23	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	2/16/23	5:00 pm	AA (J)
Friday	2/17/23	9:30 am	FS Science (J)
		10:30 am	FS Science (J)
		10:30 am	Knitting Group (G)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Saturday	2/18/23	4:30 pm	Worship
Sunday	2/19/23	10:00 am	Worship

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

- Please join us for Coffee Hour over in Jenkins Hall after the service. Our hosts today are Sarah Wyatt, Peggie Bretz and Georgia Lonkart.
- The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today were given by Robin Fryer in memory of Peter Toennies. They were arranged by Lynn Parker.
- ◆ The 2023 Flower Calendar is up! Thank you to all who have sponsored the flower arrangements last year. Stop by the kiosk in Jenkins Hall and check the dates for next year and pick one to sponsor the flowers! For \$32, payable in the office, one of us on 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**

Reed Baer, Pastor and Teacher Donna Murphy, Music Director Kristen Lind, Family School Director Wendy Northcross, Council Chair Christine Burns, Associate Pastor Susan McEwen, Office Administrator Joseph Findlay, Sexton Roberta Jordan, Deacons Chair

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