

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

8th Sunday after Pentecost

July 23, 2023

10:00 a.m.

“But Jonah got up and went the other direction to Tarshish, running away from God.”

Jonah 1:3

All are invited to stay for the full service today.
Church School is off for the summer.

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 #428 (Green)

"Christ Beside Me"

BUNESSAN

SCRIPTURE

A Whale of a Tale

Jonah 1:1-17

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Trusting that God loves us as beloved children - come and worship.

Many: With God as our companion, we come to worship.

One: Trusting that God invites us - come and worship.

Many: With God as our companion, we come to worship.

One: Trusting that God seeks our good - come and worship.

Many: With God as our companion, we come to worship.

PRELUDE

O Love, How Deep, How Broad

DEO GRACIOUS: 15th c. melody/arr. Vicki Collinsworth

UNISON PRAYER

As your word came to Jonah long ago, O God, send your word to us here, today.

**Speak to us, that we might know again your will for us, what you want
from us as we live our lives, as we go to our places of learning or work, as
we ponder what to do with the blessings you have given us.**

Jonah ran when he heard your word, O God.

**Grant that we might have the courage and faith to both hear your will for us,
and to follow it.**

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.

SOLO O Lord, Most Holy (Panis Angelicus) Cesar Frank
"O Lord most holy, O loving Father, we would e'er be praising Thee.
Help us to praise Thee, Praise Thee and love Thee;
Father, Father, grant us Thy loving care.
Rule Thou our wilful hearts, Keep Thine our wand'ring thoughts;
In all our sorrows let us find our rest in Thee; When, in temptation's hour,
Come with Thy mighty pow'r, Save us - O save us; Now we beseech Thee.
Grant us Thy mercy, So shall we praise Thee forever more."

THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE A Digestive Prayer Jonah 2:1-10
MESSAGE "Jonah 1: Where Can I Flee From God?" Pastor Reed

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

*HYMN #535 (Green) "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" MELITA

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

HYMN SING

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 Offertory on "Dennis" (Blest Be The Tie That Binds)
Gordon Young/melody Johann Nageli

*SONG OF PRAISE

**Praise God for love we all may share
Praise God for beauty everywhere
Praise God for hope of good to be
Praise God for truth that makes us free. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOD SENDS US FORTH

*HYMN #452 (Green)

“Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me”

PILOT

WORDS OF SENDING

SONG OF SENDING

Go In Peace

Sam Baker and Liz Rose
Featuring Allen Nelson

**Go in peace
Go in kindness
Go in love
Go in faith
Leave the day
The day behind us
Day is done
Go in grace
Let us go
Into the dark
Not afraid
Not alone
Let us hope
By some good pleasure
Safely to
Arrive at home
Let us hope
By some good pleasure
Safely to
Arrive at home.**

POSTLUDE

The Love of God

Mark Hayes

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

**Thanks to Christian Bearse, a Music Education/Voice Major at UMASS Amherst, for sharing his vocal talents this morning.

OUR 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

Joyce Joakim

Peter Abraham (Rich's brother)
Karolina Atsalis (friend of the Abrahams)
Margaret and Bill Brummel (Roger Henson's sister and brother-in-law)
Susan Cochrane
Debbie Davis (mother-in-law of Dianna & Roger Henson's grandson Nate)
Judy Desrochers
Betsy Eidem (friend of Carol Allen)
Donna Flaherty (Robin Miller's neighbor)
Gerri (friend of Sandie and Dale Seidsma)
Jay Gregory
Jay Griffin (Peggie Bretz' brother)
Sharon Griffin (Peggie Bretz' sister-in-law)
Christine Hayes (Stepmother of Lauren Abraham)
Steve Howland
Mike Hovan (friend of Dan Enos)
Joy Indomenico
Jason (nephew of Joy Indomenico)
Dan Joakim and DJ (Joyce Joakim's son)
Martha Lant (sister-in-law of Peggie Bretz)
William Manning III
Diane Marquis (a former teacher at the Family School)
Jack Parmer (friend of Carol Allen)
Sylvia Powers (friend of Barbara Rogers)
Savanna Ramotar (friend of Sharon Hunt)
Sophia (Joyce Joakim's sister in law)
Toni Sorci (friend of Robin Fryer)
Shirley Stolte
Marilyn Swain (Janet Joakim's aunt)
Alexis Teixeira (cousin of Barbara Walsh)
Pete Tufflie (friend of Bob Wyman)
Gary Toye (brother of Bobbie Jordan)
Mary-Ann Tu
Steve and Heather Walker (friends of Sharon and John Hunt)
Joanne Wastrom (wife of former 1717 Trustee Bob Wastrom and friend of Donna & Tripp Grohe)
Tom White
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 July 23, 2023

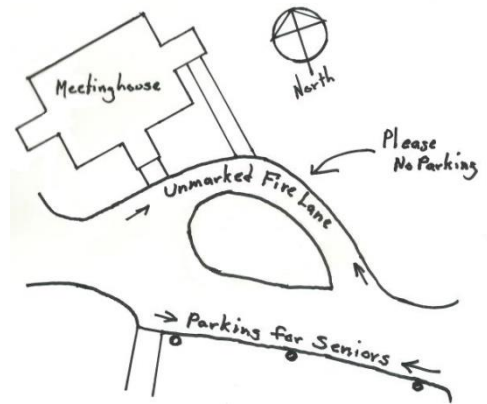
Sunday	7/23/23	10:00 am	Worship
Monday	7/24/23	5:00 pm	AA (J)
Tuesday	7/25/23	12:00 pm 5:00 pm	Music Lessons (M) AA (J)
Wednesday	7/26/23	5:00 pm	AA (J)
Thursday	7/27/23	5:00 pm	AA (J)
Friday	7/28/23	10:30 am 5:00 pm	Knitting Group (G) AA (J)
Saturday	7/30/23		
Sunday	7/31/23	10:00 am	Worship

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 Carol Allen and Robin Fryer.
- ◆ **The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today** were give by Rik and Sandy Clark in celebration of their 42nd anniversary. They were arranged by Carol Allen.
- ◆ **The 2023 Flower Calendar is up!** Stop by the kiosk in Jenkins Hall and check the dates available and pick one to sponsor the flowers! For \$32, payable in the office, one of members 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

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