

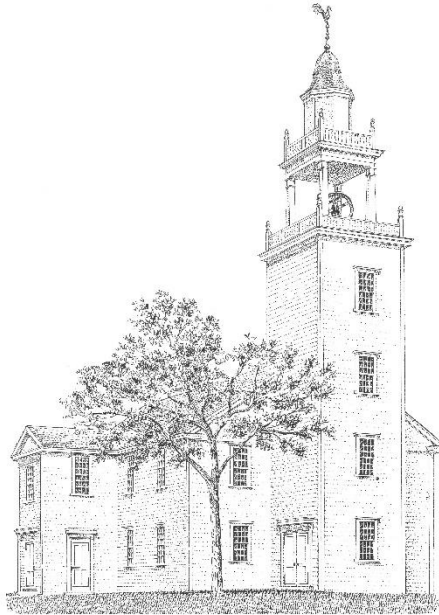
West Parish of Barnstable

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

August 27, 2023

10:00 a.m.

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

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS, AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE

Abide With Me

EVENTIDE

William Henry Monk/arr. Eleanor Whitsett

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Carl Heick

One: We have been called the salt of the earth.

Many: Let us remain distinctive and salty.

One: We have been called the light of the world.

Many: Let us shine brightly in the midst of pain or confusion.

One: We have been called a city set on a hill.

**Many: Let us, like Jerusalem, lift our gates, lift out hearts, lift our voices in the
worship of God.**

*HYMN # 19 (Green) *“Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven”*

LAUDA ANIMA

UNISON PRAYER

Fit us, O God, for this new day.

**Through your Spirit, grant us courage,
so that today’s uncertainties may not overwhelm us.**

**Through your Christ, fill us with love,
so that differences may not divide us.**

**Through your creative energy, make us new,
so that the past may not enslave us.**

Spirit, Christ, Creator, lead us into newness of life.

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.

SUMMER HYMN SING

THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE	John 20:24-29	
SPECIAL MUSIC	Depend On You	Amanda Udis-Kessler
MESSAGE	Scars	Rev. Heick

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

*HYMN # 437 (Green)	<i>It's Me, It's Me, O Lord</i>	PENITENT
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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	Refiner's Fire	Jon Mohr & Randall Dennis
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*SONG OF PRAISE

**Your name we bless, O risen Lord,
And sing today with one accord.
The life laid down, the life restored;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOD SENDS US FORTH

*HYMN # 333 (Green) *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing*

SICILIAN MARINERS

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE Fanfare and Trumpet Tune

Henry Purcell/arr. Lani Smith

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

* All who wish, please stand.

Those arriving late may be seated during hymns and musical responses.

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

Thank you to our "Pick-Up" choir and to Christian Bearse for sharing their music with us 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:*

Peter Abraham (Rich's brother)
Karolina Atsalis (friend of the Abrahams)
Margaret and Bill Brummel (Roger Henson's sister and brother-in-law)
Debbie Davis (mother-in-law of Dianna & Roger Henson's grandson Nate)
Diane (friend of Sandie and Dale Seidsma)
Judy Desrochers
Betsy Eidem (friend of Carol Allen)
Donna Flaherty (Robin Miller's neighbor)
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)
Joyce Joakim
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)
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 August 27, 2023

Sunday	8/27/23	10:00 am	Worship
Monday	8/28/23	4:00 pm 5:00 pm	Council (G) AA (J)
Tuesday	8/29/23	10:30 am 5:00 pm	Music Lessons (M) AA (J)
Wednesday	8/30/23	5:00 pm	AA (J)
Thursday	8/31/23	5:00 pm 5:00 pm	Music Lessons (M) AA (J)
Friday	9/1/23	10:30 am 5:00 pm	Knitting Group (G) AA (J)
Saturday	9/2/23		
Sunday	9/3/23	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 host today is Jane Scarpato.
- ◆ **The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today** were given by the 1717 Meetinghouse Foundation in memory of John Lahteine. They were arranged by Sharon Hunt.
- ◆ **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 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.

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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