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

First Sunday after Pentecost Memorial Day Weekend

May 26, 2024 10:00 a.m.

"But David said to the Philistine,
'You come to me with sword and spear and javelin;
but I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts,
the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied."

1 Samuel 7:45

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 #531 (Green) "My Country 'Tis of Thee" v. 1, 3,4

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come, let us rejoice in the freedom that is ours!

Many: It was there in the beginning, from the beginning of time.

One: The very heavens proclaim the Glory of the One in whom freedom is found. Many: The foundation of freedom is the righteousness and justice of God.

One: Freedom knows no bounds; it reaches across all eternity to the end of time.

Many: We come to share in this spirit.

One: The one who reveals freedom's fullness is coming soon.

All: Amen. Come, Christ Jesus!

PRELUDE How Great Thou Art

LITANY FOR MEMORIAL DAY

One: We pray that we may learn to love one another.

All: We remember those who have loved us enough to lay down their lives for us and pray that they may rest in peace.

One: We pray that you would comfort all those who mourn the loss in war of a loved one.

All: We pray that we may never take the freedoms we have for granted and will share them with others.

One: We pray that you will remove greed, envy, and lust for power and control from our hearts and the hearts of all people.

All: We pray that you will root out racism, sexism, and violence from our lives, our communities, our nation, and our world.

One: We pray that may learn to share the world's resources with all and not hoard them for ourselves.

All: We pray that we may learn to wage peace so that no more people will die in war.

One: We pray all these things in the name of Jesus Christ, trusting in the promise that whatever we ask in Christ's name, you will give.

All: 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.

SVEN BORGLUND ON UKE "How Great Thou Art"

PATRIOTIC HYMN SING

#532 (Green) "O Beautiful, For Spacious Skies" vs. 1, 3 #536 (Green) "Mine Eyes have Seen the Glory" vs. 1, 3, 4 #535 (Green) "Eternal Father, Strong To Save" v. 1, 2

- 3. Eternal Father, Lord of Hosts, watch o'er the ones who guard our coasts; protect them from the raging seas and give them light and life and peace. Grant them from thy great throne above the shield and shelter of thy love.
- 4. O Trinity of Love and power, all trav-'lers guard in danger's hour; from rock and tempest, fire and foe, protect them where-so-e'er they go; thus evermore shall rise to thee glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE 1 Samuel 17:1a, 4-11, 32-49

SOLO "The Lord's Prayer" Albert Hay Molotte

John Murelle

MESSAGE "Faithful Courage" Pastor Reed

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

*HYMN #102 (Green) "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" v.1,3

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

ANTHEM The Gospel Ship Kirby Shaw

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. We now accept Venmo, the QR code and instructions are on the back page.

OFFERTORY

*SONG OF PRAISE

Praise God from whom all blessings flow! Praise God all creatures here below, Praise God above ye heavenly host, Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOD SENDS US FORTH

*HYMN #477 (Green) "God of Grace, and God of Glory" v. 1, 4

RESPONSIVE WORDS OF SENDING

One: Believe in the power that God has given to each one of us.

All: We will go, believing.

One: Believe that God gives us courage to do great things.

All: We will go, believing.

One: Believe that God turns small things into great things.

All: We will go, believing.

One: Believe that God chooses ordinary people to do extraordinary things.

All: We will go, believing.

One: Believe that God can help us find a new way to accomplish what seems to be impossible.

All: We will go, believing. Thanks be to God! Amen.

POSTLUDE

It Is Well with My Soul

(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.

Thanks to our guest musician today, Geraldine Boles.

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:

Karolina Atsalis (friend of the Abrahams)

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

Doug Clay (brother of Sharon Hunt)

Nancy Komenda (friend of Carol Allen)

Betsy Eidem (friend of Carol Allen)

Ned Flynn (Ted's father)

Jay Griffin (Peggie Bretz' brother)

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

Steve Howland

Buzz Kolbe (step brother of Betsy Miller)

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

Adrienne Locklear (family of Kelly and Macayla Washburn)

Sue Maki (friend of Joanna Wallace)

Norma McElhenny (friend of Jane Ketchen)

Judy Moakler (friend of Jane Ketchen)

Peggy Nelson

Paul (friend of Ellen and Tom Davis)

Margaret Parker (grandchild of Lynn and Randy Parker)

Savanna Ramotar (friend of Sharon Hunt)

Blake Schroeder (friend of Robin Fryer)

Joanne Stubbins

Alexis Teixeira (cousin of Barbara Walsh)

Pete Tufflie (friend of Bob Wyman)

Gary Toye (brother of Bobbie Jordan)

Mary-Ann Tu

Linda Watson (friend of Barbara Rogers)

Bruce and Tom White

Nancy Woodman (friend of Marianne Williams)

Rev. Dr. Craig Yohn

The Week of May 26, 2024			
Sunday	5/26/24	10:00 am 5:00 pm	Worship AA (J)
Monday	5/27/24	**** F	Office Closed
	-, -, ,	5:00 pm	AA (J)
Tuesday	5/28/24	8:30 am-4pm	FS Parent Conferences (G)
		10:00 am	Choir Rehearsal (M)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Wednesday	5/29/24	8:30 am-4pm	FS Parent Conferences (G)
		9:15 am	FS Science (J)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
		7:00 pm	Mercy Otis Warren Woman of the Year (M)
Thursday	5/30/24	8:30 am-4pm	FS Parent Conferences (G)
		9:15 am	FS Science (J)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
Friday	5/31/24	9:15 am	FS Science (J)
		10:30 am	Knitting Group (G)
		5:00 pm	AA (J)
		7:00 pm	Steve Howland (M)
Saturday	6/1/24	4:30 pm	Worship
Sunday	6/2/24	10:00 am 5:00 pm	Worship AA (J)

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

- ◆ Please join us for fellowship at Coffee Hour in Jenkins Hall after worship.
- ◆ The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today were given by Bobbie Jordan in memory of her husband, Bob. They were arranged by Lynn Parker.
- The 2024 Flower Calendar is up! Look for your special date(s) and sign up. Then send \$32 to the office and one of the members of the flower committee will put together an arrangement to put 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 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.

Need to get connected? Wi-Fi: Meetinghouse Password: 1717Rooster

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To make a donation, simply scan the QR code with your phone's camera or search "@WestParish" on the Venmo app.

Be sure you select "West Parish of Barnstable" under the charity profiles.

If you would like your donation to go toward something specific like "Deacons", just note that in the description.

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