

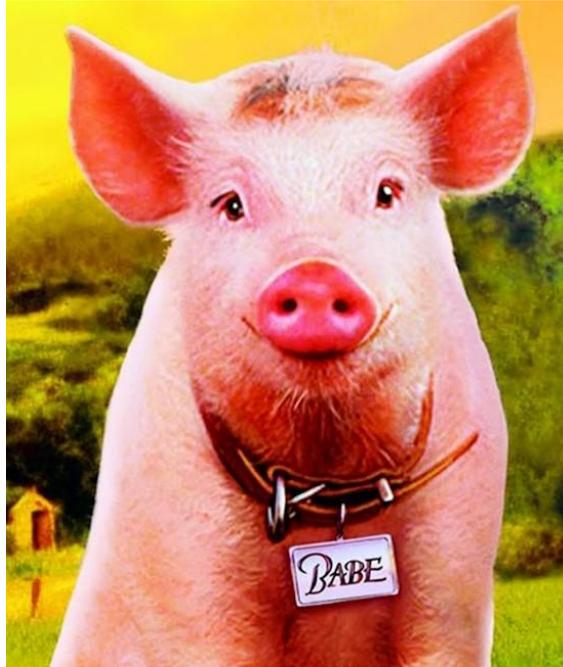
West Parish of Barnstable

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

14th Sunday after Pentecost

September 14, 2025

10:00 a.m.

*"My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me.
I give them eternal life, and they will never perish."*

John 10:27-28

All are invited to stay for the full service today.
We offer Saturday School for our children and youth at our 4:30 Saturday 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 #29 (Green)

"Rejoice O Pure in Heart"

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Reed Baer

One: Greetings to our sisters and brothers in faith.

Many: We come to celebrate God's presence,

One: and God's love expressed through Jesus Christ.

Many: We come remembering Christ's life and ministry,

One: and the life we are called to live.

Many: We come as people searching for ways to live out our faith.

One: We come seeking the strength to carry on our journey.

Many: Let us rejoice in God's gifts to us!

PRELUDE

"The Good Shepherd"
based on the tune "Resignation"

C. Simone

UNISON PRAYER

O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, be present among us this day! This we pray, even as we acknowledge our own failures and shortcomings. In a world of plenty, plenty are in need – yet how often we turn away! In a world starved for justice, injustice eats at our soul. In a world hungry for good news, we privatize your Word, hoarding it close, assuming others won't be interested. Forgive us, Holy One, and grant us the courage to feed your sheep in body, mind, and spirit. We pray in the name of Jesus, 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 John 10:22-30

SCRIPTURE Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

SCRIPTURE Revelation 7:9-17

SOLO "Shepherd Me Oh God" Marty Haugen

SERMON "The Shepherd, the Lamb, and the Sheep" Pastor Reed

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

*HYMN #404 (Green) "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS, AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

CALL TO PRAYER

One: God be with you.

Many: And also with you.

One: Let us pray.

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:*

Christopher Allen (Carol & David Allen's grandson)
Karolina Atsalis (friend of the Abrahams)
Reed Baer
Rick Clay (Sharon Hunt's brother)
Neil Constantine (Alexander Constantine's brother)
David Coward (Betsy Miller's brother)
Bill and Dottie Brower
Ginny Dolan (friend of the Haven Family)
Betsy Eidem (friend of Carol Allen)
Emy and Yessica (friends of Christie Burns)
Ned Flynn (Ted's father)
George Flynn (Betsy Miller's brother)
Jay Griffin (Peggie Bretz' brother)
Sharon Griffin (Peggie Bretz' sister-in-law)
Steve Howland
Deidre Hunt (Sharon and John Hunt's daughter-in-law)
Gina Jacinto (Joanne Wallace's friend)
Nelson Jenkins (Tripp Grohe's friend)
David Kuehn (friend of Robin Miller and Kim Baker)
Gary Komosky (Chris Haven's brother)
Martha Lant (Peggie Bretz's sister-in-law)
Meredith Leonard (Debbie Barrette's mother)
Cheryl Lickteig (Jeanne Douglass' friend)
Adrienne Locklear (Kelly and Macayla Washburn's family)

Sue Maki (Joanne Wallace's friend)
Jacquie and Don Martin
David Mendelow (Sandy Clark's friend)
Stephen Merritt (Sharon Wyman's cousin)
Greg Miller
Mike Morris (Liz Knox-Lupfer & Dan Lupfer's daughter-in-law's father)
Brian Murphy
Peggy Nelson
Kathleen Nolan (Dale and Sandy Seidsma's friend)
Jordan Northcross (Van Northcross' brother)
Carol Polidoro
Savanna Ramotar (Sharon Hunt's friend)
Pat Smith (Michael Smith's mother)
Nina Stasiowski (Marianne Williams' sister-in-law)
Joanne Stubbins
Nancy Sturgis (Joanne Wallace's friend)
Benji Stuart (Heiti and Bill Manning's grandson)
Jim Sweeney (Randy Parker's brother-in-law)
Calvin Toye (Bobbie Jordan's brother)
Gary Toye (Bobbie Jordan's brother)
Marvin Toye (Bobbie Jordan's brother)
Roy Urbach (Karen Datlowe's friend)
Nancy Woodman (Marianne Williams' friend)
Rev. Dr. Craig Yohn

The Week of September 14, 2025

Sunday	9/14/25	10:00 am 5:00 pm	Worship AA (J)
Monday	9/15/25	5:00 pm 7:00 pm	AA (J) AA (J)
Tuesday	9/16/25	9:00 am 11:00 am 3:30 pm 4:30 pm 5:00 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	FS Enrichment (J) Christie's Coffee Hours at Nirvana Finance (G) Bell Choir Rehearsal (M) AA (J) FS Parent Association (G) Choir Rehearsal (M)
Wednesday	9/17/25	9:00 am 1:00 pm 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) Bible Study (G) AA (J)
Thursday	9/18/25	10:00 am 5:00 pm	Rooster Crows Articles Due Creative Crafters (J) AA (M)
Friday	9/19/25	9:00 am 10:00 am 1:00 pm 5:00 pm	FS Science (J) Knitting Group (G) Wedding Rehearsal (M) AA (J)
Saturday	9/20/25	2:00 pm 4:30 pm	Rosado/Ruiz Wedding (M) Worship
Sunday	9/21/25	10:00 am 5:00 pm	Worship AA (J)

- ◆ **Please join us for Coffee Hour in Jenkins Hall.** Our host today is Ted Gould.
- ◆ **The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today** were given by Susan and Robert Downey. They were arranged by Diane Juthe.
- ◆ **The 2025 Flower Calendar** is up on the sign up board next to the kitchen pass thru window. Please sign up for sponsoring the flowers along with a dedication. The cost is \$32 and can be paid by cash, check, or Venmo with “Flowers” in the memo. One of the members of the flower committee will contact you to about the arrangement.
- ◆ **The Coffee Hour sign up** is on the sign up board next to the kitchen pass thru window 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.
- ◆ **Prayer List** – please notify the church office of any additions, deletions, or changes you wish to make. Call 508-362-4445, email office@westparish.org, leave a note, or stop on by.

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.

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

Church Staff

Reed Baer, Pastor and Teacher
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