

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

16th Sunday after Pentecost

September 8, 2024

10:00 a.m.

*“Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt,
and the LORD your God brought you out from there
with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm;
therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.”*

Deuteronomy 5:15

All are invited to stay for the full service today.
Saturday School is offered 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 #8 (Green)

“From All that Dwell Below the Skies”

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Like empty jars we have come here to be filled.

Many: Like ornamental candles, we have come to be set ablaze.

One: Like aged wine in a cask, we have come to be poured out.

Many: Like weary travelers, we have come to find some rest.

One: Like lovers drifted apart, we have come to be reconciled.

Many: Like little children, we have come to be surprised.

One: Friends, hear the word of God and make your reply: “My heart has heard you say, ‘Come and talk with me, O my people.’”

All: And our hearts respond, “God, we are coming!”

PRELUDE

UNISON PRAYER

God of Sabbath rest, we know so little of true rest. Our lives are consumed at the office or on the factory floor, by caring for family needs, by late-night studying for school work, by volunteering at the soccer field, by the unsatisfactory distraction of bingeing the live-stream.

This morning we have come to you from the busy-ness of our lives, seeking your peace, seeking your rest. Come, we pray, take the weight off our shoulders, and where there is only unrest let there be quiet; where there is distraction, grant us true focus; where there is weariness, let there be wholesome rest.

**Refresh us, we pray, that when you call us for service, we might be ready.
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.

THE WORD OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE

Exodus 20:10-11
Deuteronomy 5:14-15

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Witness”

traditional spiritual
Arr. Mark Hayes

SERMON

“Sabbath Unrest”

Pastor Reed

THE CONGREGATION RESPONDS

HYMN #401 (Green)

“Amazing Grace”

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

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 #333 (Green) *“Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing”*

WORDS OF SENDING

POSTLUDE

(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 Kim Aliczi for the music today.

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:*

Chris Allen (grandson of Carol Allen)
Karolina Atsalis (friend of the Abrahams)
Margaret and Bill Brummel (Roger Henson's sister and brother-in-law)
Doug Clay (brother of Sharon Hunt)
Betsy Eidem (friend of Carol Allen)
Ned Flynn (Ted's father)
Tom Fuller (friend of Jane and Greg Ketchen)
Bob Gravino (friend of Greg and Jane Ketchen)
Jay Griffin (Peggie Bretz' brother)
Sharon Griffin (Peggie Bretz' sister-in-law)
Steve Howland
Ron Hunt (friend of Roger Henson)
Dick Kiusalis (friend of Joanna Wallace)
Martha Lant (sister-in-law of Peggie Bretz)
Adrienne Locklear (family of Kelly and Macayla Washburn)
Sue Maki (friend of Joanna Wallace)
Mangan family (friends of Dianna Henson)
Norma McElhenny (friend of Jane Ketchen)
Greg Miller
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
Nancy Sturgis (friend of Joanne Wallace)
Alexis Teixeira (cousin of Barbara Walsh)
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

Please notify the church office (508-362-4445) of any additions, deletions or changes you wish to make.

The Week September 8, 2024

Sunday	9/8/24	10:00 am 5:00 pm	Worship AA (J)
Monday	9/9/24	10:15 am 5:00 pm	FS classes (J) AA (J)
Tuesday	9/10/24	10:00 am 5:00 pm	Christie's Coffee Hours at Nirvana AA (J)
Wednesday	9/11/24	4:00 pm 5:00 pm	FS Board (G) AA (J)
Thursday	9/12/24	8:00 am 10:00 am 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	Men's Breakfast at Jack's Out Back Fair Crafters (J) AA (J) WB Festival Committee(G)
Friday	9/13/24	10:30 am 5:00 pm	Knitting Group (G) AA (J)
Saturday	9/14/24	4:30 pm	Worship
Sunday	9/15/24	9:15 am 10:00 am 11:30 am 5:00 pm	Outreach (G) Worship Deacons (G) 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.** Our host today is Ted Gould.
- ♦ **The flowers gracing the Meetinghouse today** were arranged by Sharon Hunt.
- ♦ **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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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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