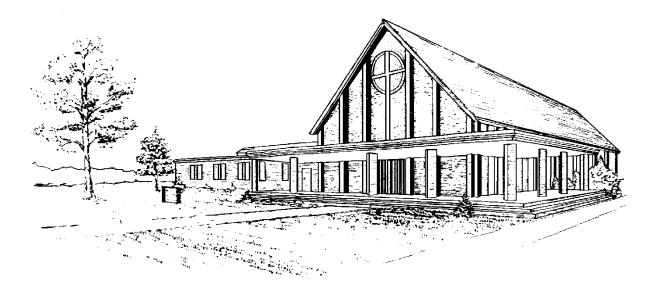
# THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GREENLAWN



Sunday Service of Worship July 23, 2023 10:00 a.m.

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GATHERING MUSIC

Leonora Knight

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

Dan Charnews

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Kingdom of God is here, and coming.

A mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds. But when it has grown, it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.

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Treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid, then joyfully sells all he has and buys the field.

The Kingdom of God is here, and coming. A merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one of great value, sells all of his possessions and buys the pearl.

The Kingdom of God is here, and coming. Let all who have ears, hear.

HYMN # 333

## Seek Ye First

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Seek ye first the Kingdom of God And His righteousness. And all these things shall be added unto you. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Ask and it shall be given unto you. Seek and ye shall find. Knock and the door shall be opened unto you. Alleluia, Alleluia.

## CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Wise Creator, we confess that we haven't been paying attention. We fail to see that You are at work in the world around us. We fail to see the treasures You have hidden for us: the joy found in sunrises and sunsets, the breathtaking rainbow after the storm, the comet in the night sky. There are secrets we don't understand until we experience them: the love You plant between two people, the laughter of children, the tears that bring relief. We often aren't paying attention to how You are at work in the world around us. Open us to the hidden treasures, the secret delights of life, O God, and help us to live into Your wisdom and insight, with the Spirit's leading. In the name of Jesus Christ, who showed us the Way, the Truth, and the Life, we pray. Amen.

#### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

#### **GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. World without end. Amen, Amen.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Elder Betty Chatfield

## PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

..... All this we pray in Jesus' name saying, Our Father who are 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Congregational Response:

Breathe on me, breath of God. Fill me with life anew. That I may love what Thou dost love, and do what Thou wouldst do.

## INVITATION TO OFFERING

#### DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

The gift of Your realm is precious to us, O God. It is worth our greatest efforts and our caring sacrifice. As we search for the best in life, we also want to share our faith discoveries with friends and neighbors. May our outreach proclaim to all that nothing can separate us from Your love. We give You thanks that You have entrusted to us all that we are privileged to share. Amen.

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

Psalm 105:1-11, 45b Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

#### HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

SERMON

"The Kingdom of God" Rev. Dr. Ann M. Van Cleef

HYMN # 445 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken AUSTRIAN HYMN

Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God. God, whose word cannot be broken formed thee for a blest abode. On the rock of ages founded, what can shake – thy sure – repose? With salvation's walls surrounded, thou may'st smile – at – all thy – foes.

See, the streams of living waters springing from eternal love, Well supply thy sons and daughters and all fear of want remove. Who can faint while such a river ever flows their thirst to assuage? Grace, which like the Lord the giver, never fails – from – age to – age.

Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear For a glory and a covering showing that the Lord is near. Thus deriving from their banner light by night and shade by day. Safe they feed upon the manna which God – gives – them when they – pray.

### BENEDICTION

#### CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:

God be with you till we meet again. Loving counsels guide, uphold you, With a shepherd's care enfold you. God be with you till we meet again. Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet, Till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

## JOYS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS, FOLLOWED BY POSTLUDE

## The Little Food Pantry

We are in need of canned tuna and chicken, cereal, pasta and spaghetti, Chef Boy-R-Dee ravioli, canned fruit: peaches, pears, plums, mandarin oranges, mixed, (no applesauce), rice, and peanut butter and jelly. Thank you for your generosity.

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The Van Cleefs invite you to a

# Summer Get Together at the "Greenport Parsonage" 200 Maple Lane, Greenport, NY Saturday, August 5, at 3:00 p.m. Rain or Shine



The hosts will provide:

<u>Apps:</u> Chips & Salsa, Cheese Platter, Veggie Platter, Shrimp Cocktail

<u>Main Course:</u> Italian Bread Salad Baked Ziti with Home-made Sauce and Part-Skim Ricotta & Mozzarella Chicken Marsala, Turkey Meatballs

> Dessert: Carrot Cake

Beverages: Wines: Merlot, White Zinfandel, and Pino Grigio Iced Tea Coca Cola, Diet Coke, Fresca

> Yard Games: Bocce and Corn Hole

If you wish, you may bring a covered dish or a dessert Please let Pastor Ann know in advance about any food allergies you may have.