

# THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GREENLAWN



**Sunday Service of Worship  
July 9, 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

Come with joy and gladness to praise and honor God.

Come to the refreshing waters that God provides.

***God is gracious and merciful and full of compassion.***

***All creation joins us in giving thanks.***

Give ear, all people. To the law of God.

Give thanks for all the guidance God gives us.

***God upholds all who are falling.***

***God raises us up when we are bowed down.***

Come, all who are weary and carrying heavy burdens.

Come, for Christ has promised rest.

***The gentle spirit of Christ invites us.***

***We have come to find rest for our souls.***

HYMN # 288

*I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

ELLACOMBE

*I sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise,*

*That spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies.*

*I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day.*

*The moon shines full at God's command, and all the stars obey.*

*I sing the goodness of the Lord that filled the Earth with food.*

*God formed the creatures with a word and then pronounced them good.*

*Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed where'er I turn my eyes,*

*If I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the skies.*

*There's not a plant or flower below but makes Thy glories known.  
And clouds arise, and tempests blow by order from Thy throne.  
While all that borrows life from Thee is ever in Thy care.  
And everywhere that we can be, Thou, God art present there.*

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***God, we do not understand our own actions. We turn away from the good we are intent on doing. Yet, we find wisdom in Your law. We delight in the idea of mutual caring and celebrating life together, but we get bogged down in our own concerns. We are too busy to seek community and too preoccupied to ponder Your will for us. We go our own way, cutting ourselves off from You and from one another. Forgive us, 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

#### 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

***O God, we thank You for Your great generosity. All that we are and all that we have is a gift from You. Help us to serve one another and so reflect Your Spirit and goodness. Accept these offerings and grant that the cause to which they are devoted may prosper under Your guidance. Amen.***

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

Psalm 145:8-14  
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

SERMON

“Win or Lose?”

Rev. Dr. Ann M. Van Cleef

HYMN

*Once to Every Man and Nation*

EBENEZER

*Once to every man and nation comes the moment to decide,  
In the strife of truth with falsehood, for the good or evil side.  
Some great cause, God's new Messiah, offering each the bloom or blight,  
And the choice goes by forever 'twixt that darkness and that light.*

*By the light of burning martyrs, Christ, Your bleeding feet we track,  
Toiling up new Calvaries ever with the cross that turns not back.  
New occasions teach new duties, time makes ancient good uncouth.  
They must upward still and onward, who would keep abreast of truth.*

*Though the cause of evil prosper, yet 'tis truth alone is strong.  
Though her portion be the scaffold, and upon the throne be wrong.  
Yet that scaffold sways the future, and behind the dim unknown,  
Stands our God within the shadow keeping watch above his own.*

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**

#### **Mark Your Calendar**

Our annual summer gathering at the “Greenport Parsonage” will take place on Saturday, August 5, starting at 3 p.m. Information to follow!

#### **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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