

# **THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GREENLAWN**



**Sunday Celebration of Worship  
August 3, 2025 – 10:30 a.m.**

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GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

Dan Charnews /Tyler Hago/ Glenn Jahier

CALL TO WORSHIP

Trust in God, and know God's ways.

***For God leads us in the way of living with honor.***

Trust in Christ, and know Christ's ways.

***For Christ leads us to eternal life by putting to death the ways of this world.***

Trust in the Holy Spirit, and know the Spirit's ways.

***For the Spirit binds us together***

***and sends us forth to do God's work in this world.***

Come, worship God, Three-in-One, in whom we trust our hearts and lives.

***Come, worship God, who calls us into beloved community.***

HYMN # 155

*Rejoice, the Lord is King*

DARWELL'S 148<sup>th</sup>

*Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore!*

*Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore.*

*Lift up your heart! Lift up your voice, rejoice again I say, rejoice!*

*God's Kingdom cannot fail. Christ rules o'er earth and Heaven.*

*The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given.*

*Lift up your heart! Lift up your voice, rejoice again I say, rejoice!*

*Rejoice is glorious hope! For Christ, the Judge, shall come*

*To glorify the saints for their eternal home.*

*Lift up your heart! Lift up your voice, rejoice again I say, rejoice!*

\*Those who are willing and able are invited to stand.

Congregation reads aloud the words in ***bold italics***.

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Holy God, our lives are far from holy. The thoughts we have held in secret have erupted into hurtful words and deeds. We have not avoided lies and slander. We have given in to pessimism and suspicion. We resent people whose lives seem easier than our own. We dislike the thought of passing on to those less worthy the things we have worked so hard to possess. O God, we need Your wisdom in order to live peacefully within ourselves. 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 # 333: (Please remain seated)

LAFFERTY

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

### 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

*Loving God, we dedicate our offerings to causes far greater than our own security. Before all of our possessions require "larger barns," help us to reflect on how they might better be used by others than stored by us. Thank you for the abundant opportunities to share. Amen.*

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE - Selections from the following:

Hosea 11:1 – 11 / Psalm 107:1 – 9, 43

Colossians 3:1 – 11 / Luke 12:13-21

## HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Charles M. Cary

COMMUNION HYMN # 525

HERE I AM LORD

*Here I Am, Lord*

*I, the Lord of Sea and Sky, I have heard My people cry.  
All who dwell in deepest sin, My hand will save.  
I, who make the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send? REFRAIN*

REFRAIN: *Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if You need me. I will hold Your people in my heart.*

*I, the Lord of Snow and Rain, I have borne My people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak My Word to them. Whom shall I send? REFRAIN*

*I, the Lord of Wind and Flame, I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give My life to them. Whom shall I send? REFRAIN*

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The peace of Christ be with us all.

***Amen.***

Let us pray.

***O God, for the healing You have given us in the breaking of the bread and the pouring of the cup, we thank You. For the community that You have restored in us through the sharing of life, we thank You. For the courage and strength You have promised to us, we thank You. Send us forth from this place in love, letting justice be worked out with gentleness and power, in the presence of Your Holy Spirit. Amen.***

*Blessing and honor and glory and power,  
Wisdom and riches and strength evermore.  
Give we to Christ who our battle has won,  
Whose are the Kingdom, the crown, and the throne.*

*Hear through the heavens the sound of the Name,  
While rings the Earth with Christ's glory and fame.  
Ocean and mountain, stream, forest, and flower  
Echo these praises and tell of God's power.*

*Ever ascending the song and the prayer.  
Ever descending the love that we share.  
Blessing and honor and glory and praise:  
This is the theme of the hymns that we raise.*

*Give we the glory and praise to the Lamb.  
Take we the robe and the harp and the palm.  
Sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain,  
Dying in weakness but rising to reign.*

## 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.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## POSTLUDE

## **Joys and Announcements**

### **Welcome Rev. Dr. Charles M. (Chuck) Cary**

This morning, we welcome The Rev. Dr. Charles M. (Chuck) Cary to the pulpit. Dr. Cary is originally from Eastern Tennessee. He graduated from Maryville College and received his M.Div. and D.Min. from McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago.

Dr. Cary served as Pastor of the Westhampton Presbyterian Church from 1984 to 1999, and went on to hold an endowed 3-year professorship at McCormick Theological Seminary. He returned to Long Island to serve as Interim Pastor of the Old First Presbyterian Church in Huntington, then accepted a call as Senior Pastor of the 1200-member Moorings Presbyterian Church in Naples, Florida, from 2004-2010. He returned to New York to serve again as Pastor of Westhampton Presbyterian Church, then retired after a long and distinguished career.

Chuck and his wife, Millie, have three adult children and several grandchildren, to whom they are devoted. They enjoy traveling, visiting family and friends, and they divide their time between their home in East Quogue and their “snowbird” home in Florida.

Pastor Chuck Cary holds a special place in the heart of Pastor Ann; she was innocently sitting with the choir at Westhampton Presbyterian, listening to Chuck preach when God called her to the ministry. (She didn’t realize it at the time; Chuck had to explain it to her.) He has served as mentor and encourager to Ann through seminary and beyond.

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