

**THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF GREENLAWN**



**Sunday Service of Worship
January 29, 2023 – Fourth Sunday of the Epiphany Season
10:30 a.m.**

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GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

Dan Charnews

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus said, “Blessed are the poor in spirit,”
He taught that the realm of God is theirs.

We read that those who mourn are blessed.

Jesus said they shall be comforted.

The meek will inherit the earth.

The merciful will obtain mercy.

All who hunger and thirst for righteousness are blessed.

Jesus said they will be filled.

Blessed are the pure in heart and the peacemakers.

They are God’s children and will see God.

Those persecuted and falsely accused are blessed.

Even in the face of evil, we will rejoice.

HYMN

He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought

HE LEADETH ME

He leadeth me: O blessed thought! O words with heavenly comfort fraught!

Whate’er I do, where e’er I be, still ‘tis God’s hand that leadeth me.

REFRAIN: *He leadeth me, He leadeth me, by His own hand He leadeth me.*

His faithful follower I would be, for by His hand He leadeth me.

Lord, I would place my hand in Thine, nor ever murmur nor repine.

By waters still, o’er troubled sea, still ‘tis Thy hand that leadeth me. REFRAIN

*And when my task on Earth is done, when by Thy grace the victory’s won,
E’en death’s cold wave I will not flee, since God through Jordan leadeth me.*

REFRAIN

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we confess that we have accepted the world's wisdom as our guide. We have been impressed by the power of weapons and the importance of high positions. We measure worth by the number of possessions we command. We have been unkind in our speech and uncaring in our deeds. We have doubted the power of the Cross to save. Turn us around and forgive us, Holy God, that we might be blessed. 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 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 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

We devote ourselves and these tokens of our thankfulness toward the realization of Your reign among us, Loving God. We pray for purity of heart as we hunger and thirst for righteousness, and as we seek to become peacemakers. We rejoice in this opportunity to share in the extension of Your realm. Bless us and our offering, we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

Psalm 15
Matthew 5:1-12

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

SERMON

“Blessed Are They”

Rev. Dr. Van Cleef

HYMN # 142

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

CORONATION

*All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall.
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of All!
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of All!*

*Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall.
Hail Him who saves You by His grace, and crown Him Lord of All!
Hail Him who saves You by His grace, and crown Him Lord of All!*

*Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of All!
To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of All!*

*O that with yonder sacred throng we at His feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of All!
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of All!*

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:

*Let there be peace on Earth, and let it begin with me.
Let there be peace on Earth, the peace that was meant to be.
With God, our Creator, we are family.
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.*

*Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.
With every step I take, let this be my silent vow:
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.*

JOYS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual Meeting Today

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation of The First Presbyterian Church of Greenlawn will take place today, immediately following the Service of Worship.

The meeting is called to receive the Annual Report, to receive the 2022 budget, and to conduct other business as necessary.

Favorite Hymns

Do you have a favorite hymn that you would like us to sing during our celebration of worship? There are index cards and a box at the parking lot entrance to the church. Please write down your hymn request and place it in the box. Don't forget to sign your name so we can tell you when your hymn is scheduled.

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