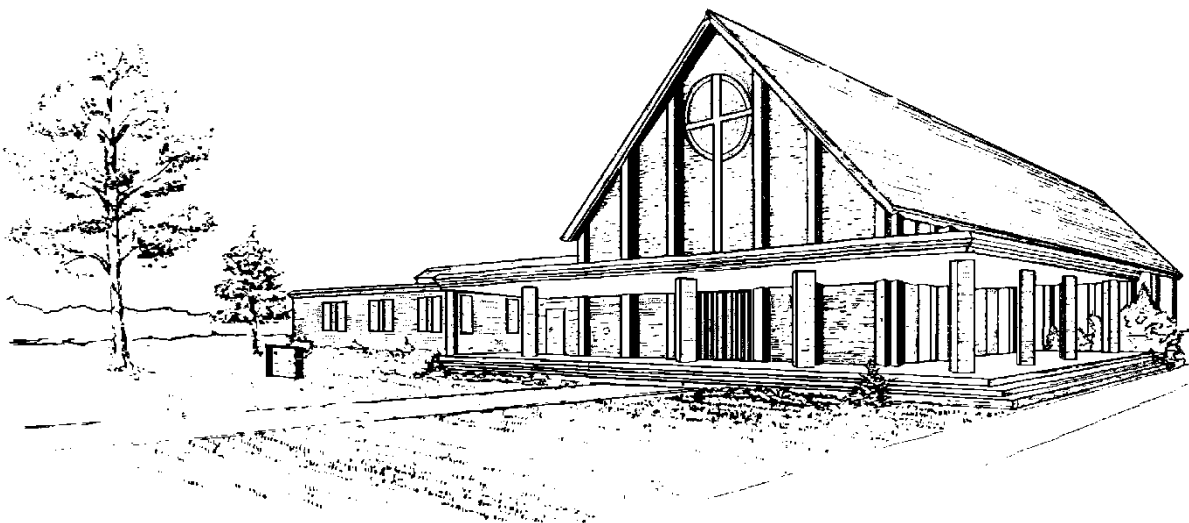


# THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GREENLAWN



**Sunday Service of Worship  
July 30, 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

Let us pray for the Church and the world, saying,

***Come, Lord of the Harvest!***

For all children of Your Kingdom,

That we may be planted and thrive in Your Field,

***Come, Lord of the Harvest!***

For our enemies and for all enemies of life and peace,

***Come, Lord of the Harvest!***

For our present journey, in weed-filled fields of our own making,

***Come, Lord of the Harvest!***

Come, purify, purge, and polish us by Your Spirit,

That in Your New Creation, we may shine like the sun.

***Even so, Come, Lord Jesus. Amen.***

HYMN # 482

*Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*

LOBE DEN HERREN

*Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation.  
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near.  
Join me in glad adoration.*

*Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth.  
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been  
Granted in what He ordaineth.*

*Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!  
Let the amen sound from His people again.  
Gladly for aye we adore Him.*

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Search us and test us, that all wickedness may be purged from us, O Creator. Save us from our futile striving after our own advantage. Reshape our will to conform with Your intentions for us. We confess that we have allowed weeds to grow in our lives. Our focus has drifted from the harvest You intend to the fears and greed that hold us hostage. Release us from bondage to decay that we may grow in likeness to Jesus Christ. We want to bear fruit for You. Turn us to the brightness of a new day, and forgive us our sins, er 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

*Your steadfast love is but one of the many gifts You pour into us, Loving God. Our offerings are one of the ways in which we can serve You and Your people. Bless them and bless us to ministries of healing and hope. Amen.*

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

Genesis 28:10-19a  
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

SERMON

“Learning from Stories” Rev. Dr. Ann M. Van Cleef

HYMN # 555

*Now Thank We All Our God*

NUN DANKET

*Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices.  
Who wondrous things hath done, in Whom this world rejoices.  
Who, from our mothers' arms hath blessed us on our way  
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.*

*O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us  
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us.  
And keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed,  
And free us from all ills in this world and the next.*

*All praise and thanks to God, Who reigns in highest Heaven.  
To Father and to Son and Spirit now be given.  
The one eternal God, Whom heaven and earth adore,  
The God Who was, and is, and shall be ever more.*

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**

### **A Heads-Up – Church Fair Is Coming**

It's never too early to start thinking about our Church Fair. It's scheduled for Saturday, September 23, with a rain date of Saturday, September 30. Talk to Larry Foray about ideas you may have, or ways you think you can help.

### **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.

### **STAFF**

#### **Pastor**

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Leonora Knight

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#### **Treasurer**

James Dean

#### **Benevolence Secretary**

Susan Perrotta

#### **Building Use Manager**

Larry Foray

### **THE SESSION**

#### **Susan Perrotta, Recording Clerk**

#### **Class of 2023**

Arlissa Dean  
Kathleen Gerlach  
Craig Satterlee

#### **Class of 2024**

Debbie Eitel  
Larry Foray  
Susan Perrotta

#### **Class of 2025**

Marian Adams  
Bill Becker  
Gary Prentiss

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:

**Apps:**

Chips & Salsa, Cheese Platter, Veggie Platter, Shrimp Cocktail

**Main Course:**

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.