

**THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF GREENLAWN**



**Sunday Celebration of Worship
March 20, 2022 – The Third Sunday in Lent
10:30 a.m.**

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

Deacon Barbara Small

THE LENTEN CANDLES

There is so much during the day that clamors for our attention. Friends, family, work, classes, household tasks. And the noise! We are bombarded with sound, from the clock that awakens us to the telephone, the radio, the television, the conversation that we have or overhear. Where is the time and place to listen for the still, small voice of God? Sometimes it seems that God would have to speak in a whirlwind to be heard above the clamor! Listen now. There is a place of quiet rest, and it is the place where God dwells within you. Close your eyes. Be aware of the place. In Lent we journey to the parts of ourselves known only to God, beneath the clamor. Let the story of Jesus reach us there. Let it teach us wisdom in our secret hearts.

(Silent time.)

As we extinguish this light, we acknowledge the darkness and pain of violence in the world and to the Earth.

(A candle is extinguished.)

Let us pray:

Draw us together in your love, O God. May our restless hearts not resist you, but continue to search until they find their rest in you. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

GATHERING MUSIC

CALL TO WORSHIP

Everyone who is thirsty

Come to the wellspring of life!

Everyone who has nothing to eat,

Come and enjoy the feast!

For God is setting a banquet table.

Christ is offering the well of eternal life!

Come, for all things are ready.

Accept the invitation, for you are welcome here!

HYMN # 84

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

RATHBUN

*In the cross of Christ I glory, towering o'er the wrecks of time.
All the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.*

*When the woes of life o'ertake me, hopes deceive, and fears annoy.
Never shall the cross forsake me. Lo! It glows with peace and joy.*

*When the sun of bliss is beaming light and love upon my way,
From the cross the radiance streaming adds more luster to the day.*

*Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure, by the cross are sanctified.
Peace is there that knows no measure, joys that through all time abide.*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

What shall we do, O God? We can never do enough to deserve Your love. We confess that we are not always truthful. We have defaced the purity of Your love for us. We have embraced ugliness and oppression, rather than loveliness and grace. We have distorted Your cries for justice in order to benefit ourselves. We have given less than our best to others and to You. 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

.....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

Generous God, we have received from You more than our share of blessings. We thank You. Now, increase and multiply our gifts, we pray, that others may experience Your goodness through our witness. Amen.

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 10:1-13
Luke 13:1-9

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

SERMON “Complacency, Thy Name Is _____” Rev. Dr. Van Cleef

HYMN # 371 *Lift High the Cross* CRUCIFER

REFRAIN: *Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
Till all the world – adore – His sacred name.*

*Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod.
The Lamb victorious, Christ, the Son of God. REFRAIN*

*Each newborn servant of the Crucified
Bears on the brow the seal of Christ who died. REFRAIN*

*O, Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
Your death has brought us life eternally. REFRAIN*

So shall our song of triumph ever be

Praise to the Crucified for victory. REFRAIN

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.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND JOYS

Offering for Ukraine

This morning, we will have a special offering, which will go to *Samaritan's Purse* for relief to Ukraine. Checks should be made out to our church with *Samaritan's Purse* written on the memo line. Thank you for your generosity.

Wednesday Soup Suppers

Session voted to resume our Wednesday Lenten Soup Suppers beginning this coming Wednesday, March 23, at 6:30 p.m., in our CE Hall. ***However,*** many of the people who helped with this event in past years are no longer able to assist. Therefore, ***we will only be able to have our soup suppers if people step forward to help.*** Here is what we need:

- 2 or 3 people to set the tables at 5:30 p.m. (Gary Prentiss will set up the tables for us.)
- 1 or 2 volunteers to donate bread.
- 2 volunteers to donate soft drinks
- 2 or 3 volunteers to donate desserts
- 5 or more volunteers to make soups
- 3 or 4 people to clean up and return chairs and tables.

There is a sign-up sheet on the table near the back door. If we get enough volunteers, we will be able to hold our Soup Supper starting this Wednesday. If not, we will continue our Wednesday worship via Zoom.

Thank you for prayerfully considering your part in this project.

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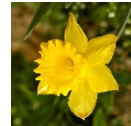
Easter Flowers Order Form

1. First, please sign the sheet on the Welcome Table, and make sure the flowers are still available. We have reserved 20 Easter Lilies, 8 Daffodils, 8 Tulips, and 8 Hyacinths.
2. Next, fill this sheet out. Please print clearly.
3. Finally, please enclose a check for \$12 per plant, payable to FPC Greenlawn, and give the check and order form to Betty Chatfield.

I would like to order the following:

Number of plants

Name of Plants



Easter Lilies

Daffodils



Tulips



Hyacinths

Total number of plants _____ X \$12 per plant = \$ _____

Please list my plant dedication as follows:

In Loving Memory of:

In Honor of:

Your name: _____

Your e-mail address: _____

Your phone number: _____