

**THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF GREENLAWN**



**Sunday Celebration of Worship
May 8, 2022 – 10:30 a.m.
Mother's Day**

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PRELUDE
Organ

Leonora Colletti,

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE RINGING OF THE BELL
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CALL TO WORSHIP

And Jesus said, "Come!"

To all mothers and children, he said, "Come!"

To the motherless and childless, he said, "Come!"

To all who long to be mothered, he said, "Come!"

Come unto me all ye who labor and are heavy-laden,

And I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me,

For I am gentle and humble of heart,

And you will find rest for your souls.

HYMN # 335

Though I May Speak

O WALY WALY

*Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire,
And have not love, my words are vain as sounding brass and hopeless gain.*

*Though I may give all I possess, and striving so my love profess,
But not be given by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin.*

*Some, spirit, come, our hearts control. Our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed. By this we worship and are freed.*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Creating God who loved us into being, we, Your children, praise You. When we fall, You lift us up; when we fail, You restore us; when we are wounded, You nurse us; when we grieve, You weep with us; when we celebrate, You laugh with us. But sometimes, we don't reach out to You; we are embarrassed, or we forget, or we feel silly. Help us to reach out to You at any and all times of our lives, 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

Creator God, on this day set aside to honor and remember our mothers, we give You thanks for all women in our lives. We thank You for choosing them, and we are grateful for the sacrifices they made for us. Whether birth mom, adopted mom, older sister, aunt, cousin, grandmother, stepmother, neighbor, teacher, or someone else, we thank You for the women who held us and fed us, who cared for us, taught us, and kissed away our pain. We pray that our lives may reflect the love that they showed us.

(All females in the congregation are invited to stand for a blessing.)

Lord God, we thank You for the gift of mothers and other women in our lives. We appreciate the many examples of faithful women in Scripture: Sarah, Hannah, Elizabeth, and Lois. We are mindful this day of all these women, and especially Mary, the mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, who had the courage in faith to say "yes" to Your calling. May the women gathered here today emulate these examples of faith, and may they model for us what it means to be Your disciple. Bless them on this special day, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

(Please be seated.)

We pray in the name of Jesus, who taught us to pray by saying, "***Our Father*** ..."

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

Christ Jesus, You look with favor on any gift from the heart. You praised the generosity of the Samaritan. You marveled at the widow who shared out of her poverty. You blessed the apostles who had neither silver nor gold, but the desire to share Your healing power. Teach us gratitude for the gifts of others as well as our own, that, respecting the variety of gifts, we might ever grow in our ability to give as well as receive. We pray in the name of God, Giver of every Good Gift, Amen.

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

Proverbs 31:10-31
2 Timothy 1:1-7

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

SERMON “Effective Mothers” Rev. Dr. Van Cleef

HYMN *Go, My Children, with My Blessing* AR HYD Y NOS

*Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you. You are my own.
In my love's baptismal river, I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.*

*Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Here you heard my Son's dear story, here you touched Him, saw His glory.
Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.*

*Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
Here my Spirit's power filled you, here his tender comfort stilled you.*

Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:

*We've a story to tell to the nations, that shall turn their hearts to the right,
A story of truth and mercy, a story of peace and light, a story of peace and light!
For the darkness shall turn to dawning, and the dawning to noonday bright,
And Christ's great kingdom shall come to Earth, the kingdom of love and light.*

*We've a song to be sung to the nations that shall lift their hearts to the Lord,
A song that shall conquer evil, and shatter the spear and sword,
And shatter the spear and sword!
For the darkness shall turn to dawning, and the dawning to noonday bright,
And Christ's great kingdom shall come to Earth, the kingdom of love and light.*

*We've a message to give to the nations, that the Lord who reigneth above
Has sent us His Son to save us, and show us that God is love,
And show us that God is love!
For the darkness shall turn to dawning, and the dawning to noonday bright,
And Christ's great kingdom shall come to Earth, the kingdom of love and light.*

*We've a Savior to show to the nations, who the path of sorrow has trod,
That all of the world's great peoples may come to the truth of God,
May come to the truth of God!
For the darkness shall turn to dawning, and the dawning to noonday bright,
And Christ's great kingdom shall come to Earth, the kingdom of love and light.*

POSTLUDE

Leonora Colletti, Organ

Joys and Announcements

Coffee Hour

There is no coffee hour today.

Congregational Meeting Called

Pastor Ann would like to have a short Congregational Meeting immediately following worship today.. The purpose of the meeting is to elicit ideas from the congregation as to how we want to celebrate our 150th Anniversary.

Women's Choir

The Women's Choir rehearses on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in the Parlor, and will be singing on June 5, Pentecost Sunday. New members are welcome. You don't have to sing like a diva; the only requirement is that you be able to carry a tune.

Mark Your Calendar!

Please mark these important dates on your calendar:

- **Saturday, July 30:** Summer Get-together at Van Cleef's home in Greenport, 3:00 p.m.
- **Sunday, October 23:** 150th Anniversary Dinner, 1 p.m., Moose Hall. Ticket information will be available this summer.

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