# THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GREENLAWN



Sunday Celebration of Worship November 13, 2022 10:30 a.m.

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**GATHERING MUSIC** 

WELCOME

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

Dan Charnews

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, let us worship God. What shall we bring before the God of Compassion? We bring our bodies and our spirits – broken and in need of healing.

What shall we bring before the God of Eternal Vision?

We bring our dreams and our hopes to be fulfilled.

What shall we bring before the God of Everlasting Love?

We bring our gratitude and our possessions.

What shall we bring before the God of All Good Gifts?

We bring ourselves. May our offerings be holy and acceptable to God.

HYMN # 422 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending BEACH SPRING

God, whose giving knows no ending, from Your rich and endless store. Nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door. Gifted by You, we turn to You, offering up ourselves in praise. Thankful song shall rise forever, Gracious Donor of our days.

Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ, Your Son.

All at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the Church made one.

Now direct our daily labor, lest we strive for self alone.

Born with talents, make us servants fit to answer at Your throne.

Treasure, too, You have entrusted, gain through powers Your grace conferred.

Ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the Gospel Word.

Open wide our hands in sharing as we heed Christ's ageless call,

Healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving You by loving all.

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, You have set before us the ways of life and death. All too often we choose death over life, refusing to follow You in favor of our own ideas and plans. In our pursuit of happiness, we pass You by, You who wait patiently for Your children to return from other paths and places. Forgive us our wanderings and our carelessness with what You have given us. Draw us close to You that we may once again know the freedom that is the foundation of love. We pray in Jesus' name. 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

Betty Chatfield

#### PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

... Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray by 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.

A MINUTE FOR MISSION Committee

Kathie Gerlach, Moderator, Missions

#### 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

God of All Creation, accept our gifts as a sacrifice of praise. Bless and multiply what we bring today so that Your love may be known by the work of our community. Bless and multiply all the gifts of Your people, so that whether at home, at work, or at play, Your glory may be known. We ask all this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 61:1-3

1 Corinthians 12:1-12

**HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER** 

SERMON "A Cup of Coffee" Rev. Dr. Ann Van Cleef

HYMN # 514 Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ LINSTEAD

Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy.

Bread is broken, the wine is poured. Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

Jesus lives again, Earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Christ is able to make us one. At the table he sets the tone, Teaching people to live to bless, Love in word and in deed express. Jesus lives again, Earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Jesus calls us is, sends us out bearing fruit in a world of doubt. Gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Immanuel) everywhere! Jesus lives again, Earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!

#### **BENEDICTION**

#### CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: # 555

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 mother's arms hath blessed us on our way With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

# **JOYS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### Women's Choir

The Women's Choir rehearses Sundays at 9:30 a.m. and will be singing for our Lessons and Carols Service on December 18. New members are welcome.

#### Christmas Tea

Our Christmas Tea will be on Saturday, December 3, at 1:00 p.m., in CE Hall. Jill Wilson is chairing the event. Tickets may be purchased for \$25 each.

#### **The Little Food Pantry**

The Little Food Pantry is in need of breakfast cereal, and cans of tuna, chicken, and Spam.

When you go to the grocery store, it would be much appreciated if you could pick up an extra box of cereal, or some canned meat to donate to the pantry. Thank you so much!

#### **Thanksgiving Luncheon**

Our annual Thanksgiving Luncheon will take place today in our CE Hall, immediately following worship. Many thanks to Fellowship Director Debbie Eitel and chef Gary Prentiss for arranging this.

#### **Christmas Fair**

Our Christmas Fair will take place in the Narthex on Saturday, December 10, from 9 to 3. As part of our Christmas Fair, we will be selling gently used Christmas decorations. Most of us have boxes of Christmas "stuff" in our attics and basements that we haven't used in years, and probably will never use. If that's the case with you, please gather them up and give them to Pastor Ann.

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