THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GREENLAWN



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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

GATHERING MUSIC

CALL TO WORSHIP

Deacon Barbara Small

(adapted from Psalm 134)

I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the Lord.

Let the humble hear and be glad.

O Magnify the Lord with me,

And let us exalt His name together.

O taste and see that the Lord is good. Happy are those who take refuge in Him.

HYMN # 464

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

Joyful, Joyful, we adore Thee, God of Glory, Lord of Love. Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, opening to the sun above Melt the clouds of sin and sadness. Drive the gloom of doubt away. Giver of Immortal Gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All Thy works with joy surround Thee. Earth and Heaven reflect Thy rays. Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of Unbroken Praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea, Chanting bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in Thee.

Mortals, join the happy chorus which the morning stars began. Love divine is reigning o'er us, joining all in Heaven's plan. Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife. Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess, O God, that our lives have made of You a distant deity. We listen to what others say about You, but we have seldom glimpsed for ourselves who You are. We are dominated by our doubts instead of by our practice of prayer. We are not ready to repent in dust and ashes, but we do ask for mercy as we face up to sins we have not recognized and wrongdoing we have tried to ignore. Instill in us a new appreciation of righteousness, and help us to grow in the way You would have us go. Forgive us, God, 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

Betty Chatfield

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

... Jesus the Christ, in whose name we pray, 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

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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

Hear our prayer for all who may be helped by what we give. We offer more than money; we offer ourselves. May the sympathy and comfort we share with people in need serve to draw them closer to You. Keep us strong, that this church may give witness to truth, constructive opposition to evil, and merciful redemption to those caught up in the wickedness of our times. Amen.

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

Job 42:1-6, 10-17 Mark 10:46-52

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

SERMON"Seeing, and Yet, Not Seeing"Rev. Dr. Ann Van CleefHYMN # 324Open My Eyes That I May SeeOPEN MY EYES

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth Thou hast for me. Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free. Silently now I wait for Thee, ready, my God, Thy will to see. Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine.

Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth Thou sendest clear. And while the wave notes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear. Silently now I wait for Thee, ready, my God, Thy will to see. Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine.

Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere. Open my heart and let me prepare love with Thy children thus to share. Silently now I wait for Thee, ready, my God, Thy will to see. Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine.

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 solemn 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

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Tuesday Fellowship Group

The Tuesday Fellowship Group has returned to its original time of 1:00 p.m. People who don't get out much are particularly encouraged to join. (Don't worry, we don't give out awards for perfect attendance.) If you don't have access to the Internet, you may call in at: 1 646 558 8656. Meeting ID: 890 6070 9625, Passcode: 422463.

Women's Choir

The women's Choir will meet every Sunday at 9:45 a.m. The choir will sing on November 21 and on December 19. New members are welcome.

Music and Worship Committee

The Music and Worship Committee will meet *today* after coffee hour.

Church Membership

There will be a meeting of people who would like to join our church *next Sunday,* October 24 immediately following coffee hour.

Session Meeting

The Session will meet on Tuesday. October 19, at 7:20 p.m. via Zoom.

You Heard it Here First!

Session has approved a Christmas Fair and Tea to be held on Saturday, December 4. Leonora Colletti and Pastor Ann are the co-chairs. Please see them if you are interested in helping, if you have ideas, or if you would like to serve on the committee.

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