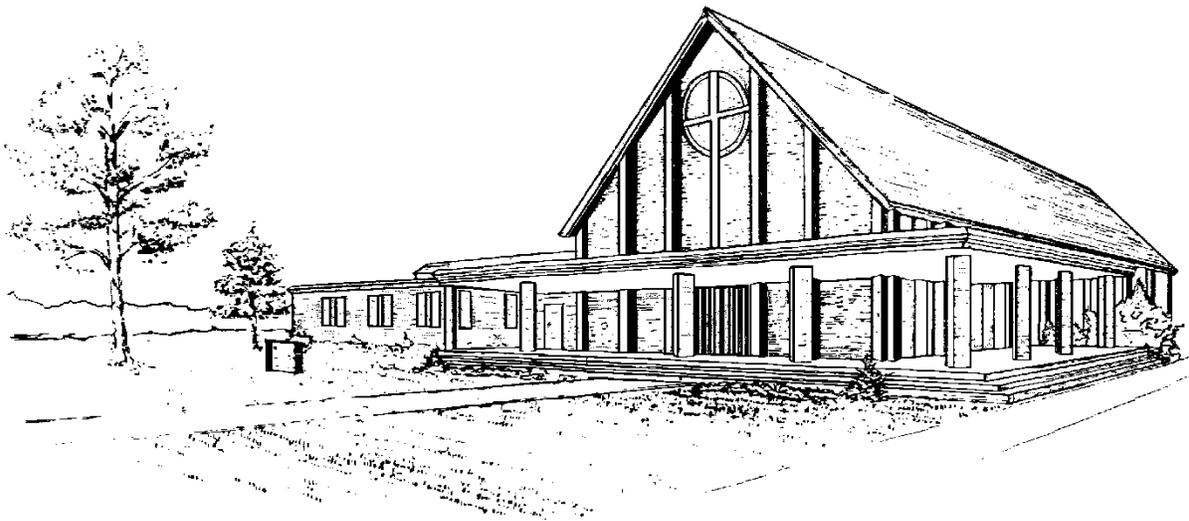


FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GREENLAWN



**Sunday Service of Worship
August 25, 2019
10:00 A.M.**

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SERVICE OF WORSHIP
10:00 AM

August 25, 2019

PRELUDE

GATHERING HYMN No. 273

O God the Creator

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Elder Debbie Eitel

O God, our Guide and Guardian, you have led us apart from the busy world into the quiet of your house. Grant us grace to worship you in Spirit and in truth, to the comfort of our souls and the upbuilding of every good purpose and holy desire.

Enable us to do more perfectly the work to which you have called us, that we may not fear the coming of night, when we shall resign into your hands the tasks which you have committed to us. So may we worship you not with our lips at this hour, but in word and deed all the days of our lives; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elder Debbie Eitel

Please fill out “Ritual of Friendship & “Concerns of Our Church Family”

HYMN No. 263

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

CALL TO WORSHIP

Elder Debbie Eitel

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

PEOPLE: And also with you.

Leader: Trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not lean on you own understanding.

PEOPLE: In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight.

Leader: Do not be wise in your own eyes; but trust in the Lord and turn away from evil.

UNISON: For in the love of God lie all our hope and strength. Amen.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

“Finishing the Race”

Rev. Ralph Wright

CALL TO CONFESSION
Wright

Rev. Ralph

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Most Holy God, Lord Jesus, Breath of Life – we praise and adore you. Your mercies are made new every day. Be present with us and in this hour...and indeed in this Sabbath and with joy, to honor you in our songs and our prayers, to bring praise to you, help us to be present to you, to hold you in our hearts and in our minds with reverence because of our words and our actions. Forgive us our weaknesses and short-comings, our abuse of power, and our disregard of the rights of others. Give us that due sense of all your mercies, that our hearts may be thankful, and that we may show forth your praise. We ask it through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

PROMISE OF PARDON.

Leader: This statement is completely reliable and should be universally accepted: Christ Jesus entered the world to rescue sinners. Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

PEOPLE: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

***RESPONSE**

Gloria Patri (Hymn # 576)

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Hebrews 12: 18-29

pg. 1264

Elder Debbie Eitel

***HYMN No. 142**

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

RESPONSE

Doxology (Hymn No. 592)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Elder Debbie Eitel

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 13: 10-17

pg. 1091

Rev. Ralph Wright

Leader: This is the Gospel of our Lord
People: **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

SERMON “Jesus the Healer and Mediator”

Rev. Ralph Wright

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (see insert)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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

***HYMN No. 391**

Take My Life and Let it Be

***BENEDICTION**

***SINGING OUR HOPE**

Edelweiss

Come, O Lord, be with us.
Fill us with joy and thanksgiving.
May our hearts flow with peace.
Come with your love and surround us.
Friendship and peace, may they bloom and grow,
Bloom and grow forever.
Bless us now, bless our friends
Bless all your people forever.

***POSTLUDE**

*All who are able, please stand

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH “A Modern Creed by Dr. Ofelia Ortega”

*Dr Ofelia Ortega Suárez, of the Presbyterian-Reformed Church in Cuba,
was the first Presbyterian woman to be ordained in Cuba*

We believe in God, the Father Almighty

Creator heavens and the earth;

Creator of all peoples and cultures,

Creator of all tongues and races.

We believe in Jesus Christ, his Son, our Lord

God made flesh in a person for all humanity,

God made flesh in an age for all ages.

God made flesh in one culture for all cultures,

God made flesh in love and grace for all creation.

We believe in the Holy Spirit

through whom God incarnate in Jesus Christ

makes his presence known in our peoples and cultures;

through whom God, Creator of all that exists,

gives us power to become new creatures;

whose infinite gifts makes us one peoples;

The Body of Christ.

We believe in the Church universal

because it is a sign of God’s reign,

whose faithfulness is shown in its many hues

where all the colors paint a single landscape;

where all tongues sing the same praise.

We believe in the Reign of God - the day of the Great Fiesta

when all the colors of creation will form a harmonious rainbow;

when all the peoples will join in a joyful banquet

when all the tongues of the universe will sing the same song.

And because we believe, we commit ourselves;

to believe for those who do not believe,

to love for those who do not love,

to dream for those who do not dream,

until the day when hope becomes a reality. Amen

WEEKLY MESSENGER

Sunday, August 25, 2019

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Pastor Fred Woodward may be reached by cell phone at 631-626-3702

- **The flowers on the Lord's table** are given to the Glory of God.
- **GREETERS:** Greeting us today before the service are Yani and Yulchi Lee and Family.
- **FELLOWSHIP HOUR:** Assisting with Fellowship Hour today are Barbara Small and Corinne Burdett.
- **ASSISTING IN WORSHIP** this morning is Elder Debbie Eitel.
- **USHERING TEAM NO. 6**, led by Linda Rixon, assists us in worship today.
- **ELDER ON CALL:** If you have a concern about the church or the life of the congregation, please speak with our "Elder On Call". Our Elder On Call for the week of August 25th is Ruth Satterlee.
- **DEACON ON CALL** for the month of August is Larry Foray (631-499-4198). If you or someone you know has a spiritual, physical, or financial need, the Deacon on Call will try to help you! Just call the Deacon or call the church office. All information will be kept confidential.
- **NEEDS REQUESTS:** If you know of someone in need, please fill out the blue form & place in the box located by the food pantry.
- The Board of Deacons is grateful to all of our church members who have helped to keep our pantry shelves stocked. **There is an on-going need for toilet paper, paper towels, cereal, canned fruit, pasta and sauces.** Cash donations can also be used by the Deacons to fill in items that need to be purchased.
- **FLOWERS FOR THE CHANCEL** We would encourage any and all to donate flowers for memorials, birthdays, anniversaries, etc. A check for **\$35** should be made to Greenlawn Presbyterian Church. To order flowers, please call Corinne Burdett (631-261-4636), our flower coordinator, or the church office (631-261-2150).



SUMMER WORSHIP SERIES 2019

Sunday, August 25th ~ 11:00 am ~ Bible Bingo

Sunday, September 1st ~ 9:30 am ~ Serenade: Hymn Favorites

Grow with us ~ Join us for growth in God's creation!

We welcome Rev. Ralph Wright to our service of worship today.

The Rev. Ralph B. Wright, Jr. is the honorably retired pastor of the Yaphank Presbyterian Church, Yaphank, New York. For over 15 years he served on the Board of Trustees and now serves on the Budget Committee and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Committee of the Presbytery of Long Island. He also serves as pulpit supply for the Presbytery, having most recently completed a year and half ministry with the Community Presbyterian Church of Merrick. Most of Pastor Ralph's ministry has been that of a Tentmaker, namely serving a church while being employed in a secular occupation. He has served churches in both California and New York. His employment has included working for General Electric, the United Way of Los Angeles, the American Red Cross and the International Red Cross. In these capacities he has worked in Africa, Europe and North America. He is presently the president of E&R Tax and Business Services, Inc., a family owned accounting firm, located in Patchogue, New York.



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH

WORSHIP AND SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 10:30 AM

ALL CHURCH PICNIC ON THE FRONT LAWN AT

3:00 PM

Last name A to M bring a dessert

Last name N to Z bring a salad

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please lift up the following in prayer:

Our church members and their individual struggles; The Families of Evelyn Starost and Alan Lawrence; Frances W.; Steve S.; Baby Jesse; Brandon P.; Brian; Camille F.; Cassell; Crystal; Eli; Gloria A.; Gary J.; Kathie G.; Kayla; Maria H.; Matt W.; Mike P.; Mike W.; Nadia M.; Teresa; Terry H.; Tom D.; Tom M.; Pastor Tim; Sister Martha Mganga; Ray; Spencer P.; William B.; please pray for God's comforting and healing presence for all; all in Nursing homes; shut-ins and care-givers; our Pastor; our church members and their families; missionaries around the world; our Armed Forces and their families; our nation and its leaders; all in harm's way of terrorists; victims of natural disasters and those without basic conveniences; the homeless and the hungry; and please pray for all who need His help.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Today, August 25, 2019	Summer Worship Bible Bingo Flea Market Committee	10:00 am 11:00 am 11:00 am
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday	No Bible Study	2:00 pm
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday		
Next Sunday, September 1, 2019	Summer Serenade Summer Worship/ Communion	9:30 am 10:00 am