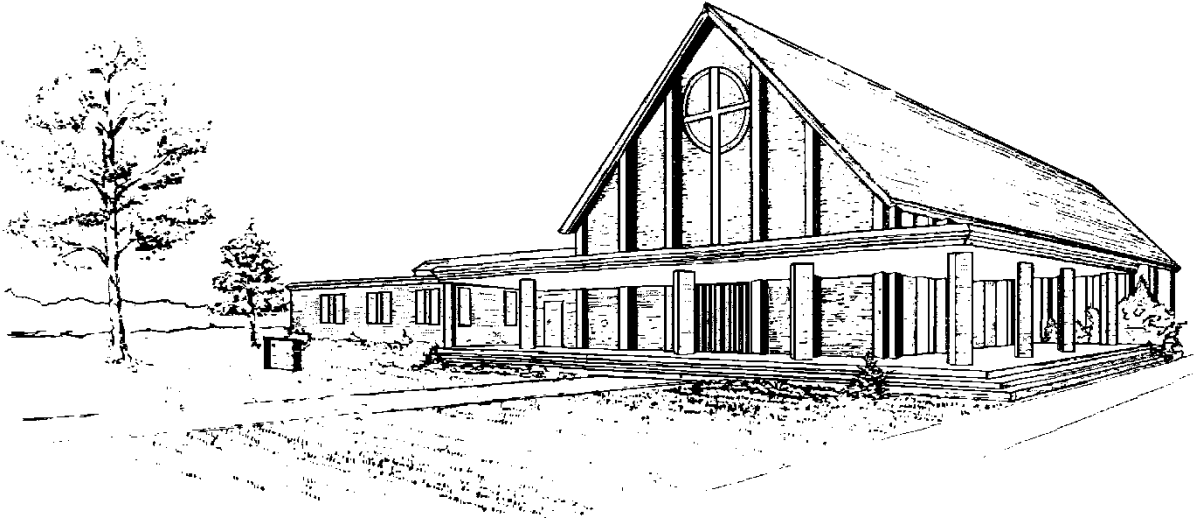


# **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GREENLAWN**



**Sunday Service of Worship  
December 30, 2018  
10:30 A.M.**

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CHIMES

Bill D'Andrea

SONGS OF PRAISE

*Emmanuel*

*Shine, Jesus, Shine (Lord, the Light of Your Love)*

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Elder Margaret Negrelli

All glory to you, great God, for the gift of your Son whom You sent to save us, light for our darkness and hope for our world. With the choir of angels let us praise his name and tell the earth his story, that all may believe and rejoice, acknowledging his love and receiving him with unclenched hands.

PRELUDE

*Hark! the Herald Angels Sing*

arr. Lani Smith

Tune: Mendelssohn by Felix Mendelssohn

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Fred Woodward

Please fill out "Ritual of Friendship & "Concerns of Our Church Family"

\* HYMN No. 56

*The First Nowell*

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Psalm 148)

Elder Margaret Negrelli

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

**People: Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!**

Leader: Praise him, sun and moon; praise him all you shining stars!

**People: Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cattle.**

Leader: Young men and women alike; old and young together!

**People: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted.**

Leader: He has raised up a horn for his people.

**People: Praise the Lord!**

**All: Let us worship God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Fred Woodward

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

Over these days leading up to Christmas, we have longed for steadfast hearts, but our intentions have been dragged this way and that. Forgive us our inconstancy. In the face of life's discouragements, we have settled for little and have hoped for even less. Forgive us that we have tried to fill the God-shaped hole in us with what is not of You, and which cannot satisfy our longing for home. But assure us that no matter how much we tend to push off and away, You come toward us and draw us ever into the canopy of your care.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*RESPONSE**

***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.*

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

**1 Samuel 2: 18-20, 26**

pg. 282

Elder Margaret Negrelli

**\*HYMN No. 29**

***Go, Tell It on the Mountain***

**TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY**

***Antioch***

arr. John A. Stallsmith

Tune by G.F. Handel

**RESPONSE**

***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**

Elder Margaret Negrelli

**GOSPEL READING**

**Luke 2:41-52**

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Pastor Fred Woodward

**SERMON**

“Growing Pains”

Pastor Fred Woodward

**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, the power, and the glory—forever. Amen

**\*HYMN No. 25**

*Away In A Manger*

**\*CHALLENGE AND BLESSING**

**\*SINGING OUR HOPE**

**No. 49, *Once I Royal David’s City***

Jesus is our childhood’s pattern  
Day by day like us He grew  
He was little, weak and helpless  
Tears and smiles like us He knew  
And He feels for all our sadness  
And He shares in all our gladness

And our eyes at last shall see Him  
Through His own redeeming love  
For that Child so dear and gentle  
Is our Lord in heaven above  
And He leads His children on  
To the place where He is gone.

**\*POSTLUDE**

***God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen***

arr. Diane Bish

Tune: God Rest You Merry (Traditional English melody)

# ***WEEKLY MESSENGER***

**Sunday, December 30, 2018**

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- **The flowers on the Lord's table** are given to the Glory of God.
- **GREETERS:** Greeting us today before the service is Ginny Soergel.
- **FELLOWSHIP HOUR:** Assisting with Fellowship Hour today is Margaret Negrelli.
- **ASSISTING IN WORSHIP** this morning is Elder Margaret Negrelli.
- **USHERING TEAM NO. 2**, led by Jim Dean, 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 December 30th is Ruth Satterlee.
- **DEACONS ON CALL** for the month of December are Debbie Eitel (718-463-3003) and Corinne Burdett (631-261-4636). 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. **Currently there is a 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).

## **Annual Meeting of the Congregation**

The annual meeting of the congregation will take place immediately after worship on January 27, 2018. The meeting is called to receive the Annual Report, to dismiss the 2018 Nominating Committee, and to elect the Nominating Committee for 2019.

Reports for the annual meeting are due in the church office on Monday, January 14, 2019. Please submit all reports in Microsoft Word or Excel to [fpcgoffice@gmail.com](mailto:fpcgoffice@gmail.com)

***Please lift up the  
following in prayer:***

Our church members and their individual struggles; Evelyn S.; Alan L.; Bill M.; Baby Cordelia Rose; Baby Jesse; Brandon P.; Camille F.; Cassell; Diane H.; Dottie H.; Eli; Elizabeth R.; Gloria A.; Jack F.; Jamie W.; Ed & Cathy C.; Kayla; Matthew W.; Maria H.; Nadia M.; Patti C.; Rosie P.; Terry H.; Tom D.; Tom M.; Pastor Tim; 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.

Today, December 30, 2018	Worship/Sunday School	10:30 am
Monday	Church Office Closed	
Tuesday	<b>Happy New Year</b>	
Wednesday	Bible Study @ the home of Diane Hartmann 5 Court Dr., Hunt. Sta.	2:00 pm
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday		
Next Sunday, December 30, 2018	Worship/Sunday School/ Communion	10:30 am