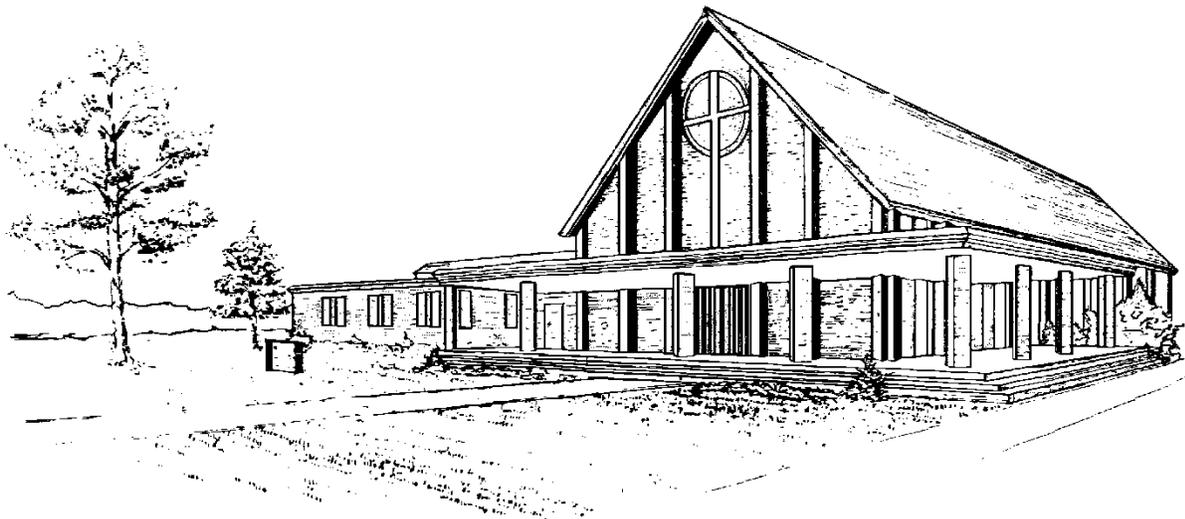


FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GREENLAWN



**Sunday Service of Worship
Baptism of the Lord ~ Renewal of Baptism
Deacon Sunday
January 12, 2020
10:30 A.M.**

**497 Pulaski Road
Greenlawn, NY 11740
Phone: 631-261-2150
www.greenlawnpresbyterianchurch.org
Facebook.com/First-Presbyterian-Church-of-Greenlawn**

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Deacon Sunday

10:30 AM

January 12, 2020

Baptism of the Lord ~ Renewal of Baptism

CHIMES

Deacon Barbara Small

GATHERING MUSIC

Holy Spirit

Francesca Battistelli
Debbie Eitel, soloist

GATHERING HYMN

Borning Cry (see insert)

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Deacon Arlissa Dean

O God, who reigns above the floods of chaos, at the time of Noah you opened the heavens to make a new beginning of the world you created in love. When Jesus came to be baptized, you opened the heavens and your Spirit descended, like a dove. Now send your Spirit among us so that we may live with Him and for Him, and that we may be a blessing to all peoples on earth.

PRELUDE

On Jordan's Stormy Banks

arr. Lyndell Leatherman

Tune: PROMISED LAND: Traditional American Melody

POURING OF BAPTISMAL WATER

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Fred Woodward

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

***HYMN No. 474**

O Splendor of God's Glory Bright

CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 29)

Deacon Arlissa Dean

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

People: **Ascribe to the Lord the glory of God's name; worship the Lord in holy splendor.**

Leader: The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

People: The Lord sits enthroned over the flood.

Leader: The Lord gives strength to God's people. The Lord blesses God's people with peace.

All: **Let us worship God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Fred Woodward

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

faithfulness, you mark us with your water, and brand us with your name. Though your goodness surrounds us, yet we often ignore your initiatives of grace. Though you send forth your Spirit to heal us, we often say in effect, “no, thanks; we’re fine just the way we are.” We turn from our calling.

Lord, in your love uphold us. Remind us that there is nothing we could do that could make you love us any less, and nothing that we could do that could make you love us any more. In your mercy stir up the waters of our baptism and free us service in your name.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE

Gloria Patri (Hymn 579)

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.

SCRIPTURE READING:

Isaiah 42: 1-9

pg. 758

Deacon Arlissa Dean

***HYMN No. 71**

Lord, When You Came to Jordan

(Sung to Hymn Tune LLANGOFFAN : “Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers, “ Hymn No. 15)

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

The Peace Within

Edward Broughton

RESPONSE

Doxology (Hymn No. 592)

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

Deacon Arlissa Dean

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 3: 13-17

pg. 1009

Pastor Fred Woodward

SERMON

“To Fulfill All Righteousness”

Pastor Fred Woodward

RENEWAL OF BAPTISM (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, the power, and the glory—forever. Amen

***CLOSING HYMN**

Down By the Jordan (see insert)

(to Hymn Tune LOBE DEN HERREN: “Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty: Hymn No. 482)

***CHALLENGE AND BLESSING**

***SINGING OUR HOPE : Hymn No. 492**

Baptized in Water

***POSTLUDE**

A Time For New Beginnings

Lani Smith

A Note about Today’s Third Hymn

The hymn, “Down By the Jordan,” is the work of Presbyterian Pastor and hymn writer Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, and is used with limited permission. Carolyn is the author of *Gifts of Love: New Hymns for Today’s Worship* (Louisville: Geneva Press, 2000) and *Songs of Grace: New Hymns for God and Neighbor* (Nashville, Discipleship Resources, 2009).

**RENEWAL OF BAPTISM
FOR THE
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF GREENLAWN
January 12, 2020**



SERVICE OF BAPTISMAL RENEWAL

Leader: In baptism, we remember our deepest desire to live with and for God, our Creator and Redeemer who called the world “good.” Through baptism we enter the covenant God has established. Within that covenant we accept offer of new life, and receive the nurture of his love so that we might ourselves be love in the world. On our part, we turn from what is false in us and in our world, and turn to the One called Truth, Jesus the Christ..

Renunciation and Affirmation

Leader: I ask you, therefore, once again to reject whatever separates you from God, to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, and to confess the faith of the church, the faith in which we were baptized. Do you renounce evil and its power in the world, which defies God's righteousness, and impedes the flow of divine love?

People: **I renounce them.**

Leader: Do you turn to Jesus Christ, the One who revealed the face of God, the One who loved you at the start of things and who shall love you at the end, and do you accept him as your Lord and Savior?

People: **I do.**

Leader: Do you intend to be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying His word, and showing His love, even to the loveless, to your life's end?

People: **I do.**

The Apostles' Creed

Leader: With the whole church, let us confess our faith. Do you trust in God the Father?

People: **I trust in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Leader: Do you trust in Jesus Christ?

People: **I trust in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again, He ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Leader: Do you trust in the Holy Spirit?

People: **I trust in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Leader: God of life and goodness, we praise you for claiming us through our baptism and for upholding us by your grace. We remember your promises given to us in our baptism. Strengthen us by your Spirit, that we may obey your will and serve you with joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Prayer Over Water of Baptism

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: We give You thanks, O holy and gracious God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the water, and You created all that is, seen and unseen. By the gift of water You sustain all life.

People: **In the time of Noah, You destroyed evil in the water of the flood; and by your saving ark, You gave a new beginning. You led Israel through the sea, out of slavery into the freedom of the promised land.**

Leader: In the water of Jordan our Lord was baptized by John and anointed by your Spirit. By the baptism of his death and resurrection, Christ set us free from sin and death and opened the way to eternal life.

People: **We thank You, O God, for the gift of baptism. In this water we are buried with Christ in his death. From this water we are raised to share in his resurrection, reborn by the power of the Holy Spirit.**

The Living Water of Baptism

Leader: By the power of your Spirit, bless this water that it may be a fountain of deliverance and rebirth. Heal the wounds of all who are washed in it, and cleanse our hearts made grievous because of the weight of sin. Raise us to new life and graft us to the body of Christ. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon all of us that we may have power to do your will, and continue forever in the risen life of Christ, to whom, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, be all glory and honor, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

Invitation to the Living Water of Baptism

You may come forward to the baptismal font, if you wish, to touch the waters of baptism, and to receive an anointing of oil.

Leader: Let us remember our baptism and be thankful. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit! Amen.

Act of Remembrance

Leader: Let us pray.

People: God of life and goodness, we praise You for claiming us through our baptism and for upholding us by Your grace. We remember Your given to us in our baptism. Strengthen us by Your Spirit, that we may obey Your will and serve You with joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader: Defend, O Lord, your servants with Your heavenly grace, that we all may continue yours forever. Daily increase in us Your Holy Spirit more and more, until we all come to Your everlasting kingdom. Amen.

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

WEEKLY MESSENGER

Sunday, January 12, 2020

www.greenlawnpresbyterianchurch.org

facebook.com/First-Presbyterian-Church-of-Greenlawn

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 Lydia and Gary Mott.
- **FELLOWSHIP HOUR:** Assisting with Fellowship Hour today are members of the Board of Deacons.
- **ASSISTING IN WORSHIP** this morning is Deacon Arlissa Dean.
- **USHERING TEAM NO. 4**, led by Larry Foray, 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 January 12th is Diane Kirchhoff.
- **DEACON ON CALL** for the month of January is Arlissa Dean (631-266-3497). 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 mac and cheese, paper towels, pancake mix, syrup, soups, and bar soap.** 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 26, 2020. The meeting is called to receive the Annual Report, to dismiss the 2019 Nominating Committee, elect the Nominating Committee for 2020, and to conduct other business as necessary.

Reports for the annual meeting are due in the church office on Monday, January 13, 2020. Please submit all reports in Microsoft Word or Excel to fpcgoffice@gmail.com



PRAYER CONCERNS

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

Our church members and their individual struggles; The Family of Ernest Pennino; Caregivers; Cassell; Gloria A.; John; Kathy; Kayla; Karen; Mike P.; Mike W.; Rich G.; Stephen; Tom B.; Pastor Tim and Nancy; 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, January 12, 2020 | Choir Rehearsal Worship/Sunday School Deacon Sunday | 9:30 am 10:30 am |
| Monday | Annual Reports Due | |
| Tuesday | Committee Meetings | 7:30 pm |
| Wednesday | Bible Study @ the home of Diane Hartmann 5 Court Dr., Hunt. Sta. | 2:00 pm |
| Thursday | | |
| Friday | | |
| Saturday | | |
| Next Sunday, January 19, 2020 | Choir Rehearsal Worship/Sunday School Session Meeting | 9:30 am 10:30 am 11:30 am |