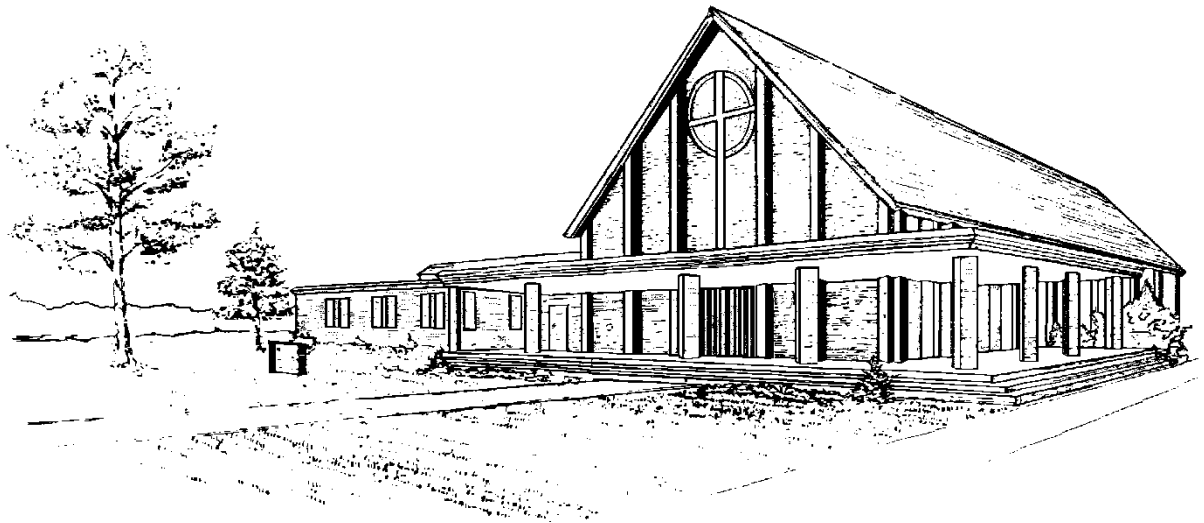


FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GREENLAWN



**Sunday Service of Worship
Third Sunday in Lent
March 24, 2019
10:30 A.M.**

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SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Third Sunday in Lent

10:30 AM

March 24, 2019

GATHERING MUSIC

On Eagle's Wings

arr. Janet Vogt

CHIMES

Deacon Barbara Small

*** HYMN**

The Wonderful Cross (see insert)

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Elder Diane Kirchhoff

Gracious God, we raise our voices to You in praise and thanksgiving. For you have heard the cries of your people and have delivered us from slavery. You deliver us still. Your call to repentance itself empowers it.

In this hour, help us to again turn toward you. And we do, may we witness together the ways your steadfast love brings life out of death. Amen.

PRELUDE

Ah, Holy Jesus

arr. Mary McDonald

Tune: Herzliebster Jesu by Johann Crüger

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Fred Woodward

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

*** HYMN No. 482**

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

CALL TO WORSHIP

(adapted from Psalm 63)

Elder Diane Kirchhoff

Leader: O God, you are my God, earnestly I seek you, my soul thirsts for you; my flesh longs for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water

People: **Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. I will praise you as long as I live; I will lift up my hands and call on your name.**

Leader: My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast.

People: **You have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings, I sing for joy. My soul clings to you; your right hand upholds me.**

All: **Let us worship God!**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Fred Woodward

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Awesome God, you have blessed us beyond our deserving, but with our blessing comes temptation. Because good things come our way we sometimes conclude that we are somehow more special in your eyes. And when bad things happen to other people, we sometimes think it is up to us to explain what they might have gotten wrong. Instead of identifying with them, we create distance with "helpful" suggestions.

Save us from our temptation and help us to recognize Christ in the faces of those in whom we least expect to find him.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE

Gloria Patri (Hymn No. 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 Deuteronomy 28: 1-6; 15-19

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Elder Diane Kirchhoff

*HYMN No. 298

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Meditation

Lloyd Larson

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

Elder Diane Kirchhoff

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 13: 1-9

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Pastor Fred Woodward

SERMON

“Getting Past ‘Why?’”

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. 210**

O God Our Help in Ages Past

***CHALLENGE AND BLESSING**

***SINGING OUR HOPE**

I Come to the Cross (see insert)

***POSTLUDE**

The Cross of Christ Dan R. Edwards
Tune: Rathbun by Ithamar Conkey and Cross of Jesus by John Stainer

*All who are able, please stand

WEEKLY MESSENGER

Sunday, March 24, 2019

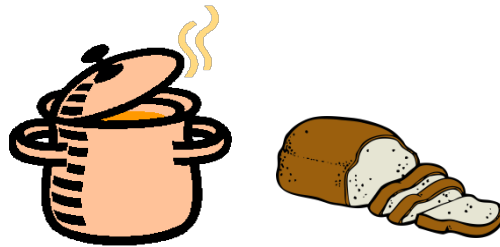
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- **The flowers on the Lord's table** are given to the Glory of God.
- **GREETERS:** Greeting us today before the service are Pat and Ron Lievendag.
- **FELLOWSHIP HOUR:** Assisting with Fellowship Hour today is Margaret Negrelli.
- **ASSISTING IN WORSHIP** this morning is Elder Diane Kirchhoff.
- **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 March 24th is Betty Chatfield.
- **DEACONS ON CALL** for the month of March are Carolyn Brockett (631-368-2163) and 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. **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).
- If you did not receive a copy of the **2018 Annual Report**, there are extra copies available in the church office.

The 2019 Per Capita apportionment for the Presbyterian Church (USA) is \$39.81 per member. Every member helps support the Presbyterian General Assembly, the regional Synods, and local Presbyteries as well as Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Thank you for donating your Per Capita Shared Denominational Support.



**JOIN US ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27TH AT 6:00 PM FOR
OUR LENTEN SOUP SUPPER!**

BRING SOUP AND/OR BREAD TO SHARE!

Pastor Fred will lead a Lenten Meditation.



Palm Sunday ~ Worship ~ 10:30 am
Easter Egg Hunt after worship

Good Friday ~ Worship ~ 7:30 pm

Easter Sunday ~ Breakfast at 9:00 am
Worship ~ 10:30 am ~ Flowering of the Cross

PRAYER CONCERNS

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

Our church members and their individual struggles; Evelyn S.; Alan L.; Pat L.; Bill M.; Baby Cordelia Rose; Baby Jesse; Brandon P.; Camille F.; Cassell; Diane H.; Eli; Gloria A.; Ed & Cathy C.; Gary J.; Kayla; Maria H.; Matt W.; Mike W.; Nadia M.; Patti C.; Terry H.; Tom D.; Tom M.; Pastor Tim; Sister Martha Mganga; 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, March 24, 2019	Worship/Sunday School Choir Rehearsal	10:30 am 11:45 am
Monday	Lenten Meditation	3:30 pm
Tuesday		
Wednesday	Bible Study @ the home of Diane Hartmann 5 Court Dr., Hunt. Sta.	2:00 pm
	Lenten Soup Supper	6:00 pm
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday		
Next Sunday, March 31, 2019	Worship/Sunday School Choir Rehearsal	10:30 am 11:45 am