

## Greenwich Presbyterian Church

January 24, 2021

### Prelude

#### Call to Worship

(from Psalm 103)

Leader: Praise the Lord, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

People: Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

Leader: Who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,

People: Who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion.

#### Hymn - Come, Thou Almighty King

*Come, thou Almighty King, help us thy praise to sing, help us to praise:*

*Father, all glorious, come and reign o'er all victorious,*

*Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.*

*Come, thou Incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword, our prayer attend:*

*Come, and all thy people bless, and give thy word success:*

*Spirit of holiness, on us descend.*

*Come, Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour:*

*Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart,*

*And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power.*

*To thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be hence, evermore!*

*Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see,*

*And to eternity love and adore!*

#### Morning Prayer

*Eternal God, you have called us to be members of one body. Join us with those who in all times and places have praised your name, that, with one heart and mind, we may show the unity of your church, and bring honor to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.*

#### Sharing the Peace of Christ and Congregational Life

The peace of the Lord be with you...and also with you.

#### Scripture / Reflection

Matthew 9:35-38

A Time to Heal: *The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few*

#### Hymn – Here I Am, Lord

*I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.*

*All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.*

*I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.*

*Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?*

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.*

*I will go, Lord, if you lead me, I will hold your people in my heart.*

*I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.*

*I have wept for love of them, they turn away.*

*I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.*

*I will speak my Word to them. Whom shall I send?*

*I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.*

*I will set a feast for them, my hand will save.*

*Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.*

*I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?*

#### The Ordination and Installation of Officers

Leader: There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

People: *There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same Lord who is served.*

Leader: God works through each person in a unique way, but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

People: *To each is given a gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good.*

All: ***Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.***

#### Statement on Ordination and Installation

##### Questions to the Officers

##### Questions to the Congregation

Do we the members of the church accept these sisters and brothers as deacons and elders, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? ***We do.***

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church? ***We do.***

**Prayer**

*Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon your servants whom you have called through baptism as your own. Grant them the same mind that was in Christ Jesus. Give them a spirit of truthfulness that they may show the compassion of Christ in the actions of daily living and rightly govern your people.*

*Give them the gifts of your Holy Spirit to build up the church, to strengthen the common life of your people, and to lead with compassion and vision. In the walk of faith and for the work of ministry give to your servants gladness and strength, discipline and hope, humility and courage, wisdom and humor, and above all, an abiding sense of your presence.*

*Sustain this congregation in ministry. Ground us in the gospel, secure our hope in Christ, strengthen our service to the outcast, and increase our love for one another that we may offer a compelling witness in the world to the good news of Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.*

**Declaration of Ordination and Installation**

**Response**

*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.*

**Benediction**

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*Thank you to Mary Beran and Margaret Mayhugh (accompaniment),  
Mark Beran & Joe Duffus (technical support)*

**Drive-By Food Drive  
TODAY, 4:00-5:00pm**

We will collect food for local distribution centers today from 4:00-5:00pm in the church parking lot. Highlighted need: Canned Soup (large cans).  
*Other Suggested Items: Cereal (low sugar), Pasta Sauce & Noodles, Canned Vegetables & Beans, Boxed Mac & Cheese, Canned Chicken & Tuna, Cooking Oil, Canned & Pre-Packaged Fruit*

**Please be in prayer this week for our church family & friends**

Nanette Bell, Amanda Bryson, Bob Colucci, Ronnie & Lorraine Cooper, the family of Sharyn Byer, Bernie & Bambi Girouard, Greg, Dotty Hymes, Brittany Kalos, Ryan Madrishin, Patty Plantier, Mark Seitz, David Stacy, Janeanne Sullivan, Jay Yankey.

**For Continuing Care**

Angie Arnold, Edith Bailey, Dave Bannan, Dixie Baker, Sam Bunch, Diane Carroll, Mary Ann Cockerille, Artie Coffman, Audrey Ann Edwards, Tim Everett, Linda Griffin, Susan Hellerman, Barbara Jackson, Cheryl Kinsey, Tom Knoll, Susanne Lewis, Pam Lynn, Susan Markham, Jacquie Meeks, Christine Mills, Toni Mitchell, Omar, Kim Palfrey, Pamela Park, Judit Platt, Lon Quinones, Jasper Russell, Elsie Shrewsbury, Greg Stanley, Phil Swinford, Sherry Trasher, Caspar Velasco, Jennifer Wengert, Cecily West, Becky Whitelock, Carl Yates.

**Praises**

The birth of Cole Scott McAllister, son of David & Mandy McAllister. For the faith, hope and love expressed in so many quiet yet meaningful ways by our 'graduating' elders and deacons over these past three years.

**Serving our Country**

Earl Arnold, Kieran Bateman, Brendan Binniker, James Binniker, Jordan Champion, Ray Franze, Alex Frazier, Austin Johnson, Logan King, Lee Loudermilk, Russell McMillan, Adam Smith, Carter Walchli, Jason West, Jacob Yates.

**Greenwich Birthdays This Week**

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|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Jan 24 Chad Cavender    | Jan 26 Allison Griffin | Jan 28 Ange Byrd       |
| Jan 24 Leslie McMillan  | Jan 26 Kay Hinegardner | Jan 28 Tim Prickett    |
| Jan 24 Jasper Russell   | Jan 26 Dale House      | Jan 28 Jason Yates     |
| Jan 25 Schelly Harrison | Jan 26 Danny Marshall  | Jan 29 Kraig Britton   |
| Jan 25 Phillip Ramsey   | Jan 26 Aaliyah Ryman   | Jan 30 Marcia Hamrysky |

**Thank you to the Class of 2020 Elders and Deacons**

Thank you to Susan Amato, Lee Bishop, Jim Blades, Judy Fretts, Anita Goard, Jim Mills, Barb Sutton, Travis Taylor – you have served the Greenwich church family with energy, intelligence, imagination and love!

*“Well done, good and faithful servants!” Matthew 25:23*

**Welcome to our New Elders and Deacons**

Today we ordain and install a new class of elders and deacons who were elected at the December 13, 2020, congregational meeting:

**Deacons**

Ginny Howell, Karen Long, Jim Mills, Lauren Sandifer

**Elders**

Bill Barnhart, Glenn Howell, Valerie Hunt, Lynne Snow