May 15, 2022

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will comethis church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Gathering for Worship

Jesus, Name above all names, Beautiful Savior, glorious Lord Emmanuel, God is with us. Blessed Redeemer, living Word.

Call to Worship

(From Philippians 2)

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Leader: Jesus humbled himself and became obedient to death – even

death on a cross.

People: Therefore, God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the

name that is above every name,

Leader: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven

and on earth and under the earth,

People: And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of

God the Father.

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Hymn – Rejoice, the Lord is King!

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore:

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Our Savior, Jesus, reigns, the God of truth and love;

When he had purged our stains, he took his seat above: (refrain)

His Kingdom cannot fail, he rules both earth and heaven;

The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given: (refrain)

Rejoice in glorious hope for Christ the Judge shall come

To gather all his saints to their eternal home: (refrain)

Morning Prayer

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sharing the Peace of Christ and Congregational Life

Musical Offering (11:00)

Blessing of the Children and the Lord's Prayer

Sermon Luke 17:20-37

The Kingdom: *The kingdom of God is in your midst...* (p.1629)

Hymn – Be Thou My Vision

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Be thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that thou art — Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my Wisdom, and thou my true Word, I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; Thou and thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my Treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

*Affirmation of Faith

Colossians 1:15-20

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible; all things were created by him and for him. He is before all things and in him all things hold together.

And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

Response

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Benediction

Austin House's Ordination Sunday, May 22, 3:00pm

Please join us next Sunday for the ordination of Austin House as minister of Word & Sacrament. After years of study and preparation, Austin has completed the ordination process with *A Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians* (ECO) and will be ordained in our Historic Chapel. Each generation of the church is responsible for raising up leaders for the next and we are thrilled to host this service of ordination for one of our own. Reception will follow in the Fellowship Hall.

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

Venita Duffield, the family of Anderson Fox, Michael Frazier, Dwayne Griffith, Valerie Hunt, Ray Prochaska, Lainey Thomas, Jennifer Wengert.

For Continuing Care

Carol Baer, Edith Bailey, Dixie Baker, Yvonne Beatty, John Bloom, Sam Bunch, Diane Carroll, Artie Coffman, Bob Colucci, Audrey Ann Edwards, Tim Everett, Abbie Grimes, Kay Hinegardner, Pat Howell, Barbara Jackson, Paul Labazzetta, Susan Markham, Kim Palfrey, Judit Platt, Lon Quinones, Elsie Shrewsbury, Scott Smith, Stephanie Stallard, Phil Swinford, Angela Toal, Richard & Alana Wallace, Cecily West, Darryl White, Becky Whitelock.

Praises

Yesterday's Farthest Corner's Fundraiser celebrating seventeen years of ministry in Myanmar (Burma) and Thailand.

Mission Partners

Julio & Ana Martinez, serving Shadai Church to reach Spanish-speaking communities in Manassas and OASIS, providing those in need with food and clothing.

Serving our Country

Earl Arnold, Kieran Bateman, Brendan Binniker, James Binniker, Ryan Binniker, Jordan Champion, Michelle Fleurat, MD, Ray Franze, Alex Frazier, Austin Johnson, Lee Loudermilk, James McMillan, Carter Walchli, Jason West, Jacob Yates.

Greenwich Birthdays This Week

May 15 Avery Dane	May 18 Joy Yates	May 20 Hunter Quinones
May 15 Morgan Smayda	May 19 Erin Betler	May 20 Luke Sturges
May 16 Brooklyn Mello	May 19 Carrie Pendleton	May 21 Anita Goard
May 18 Tom Knoll	May 19 Nina Wood	May 21 Carolyn Kirkland
May 18 Helene McPeak	May 20 Sherry Hawkins	

LifeFirst Ministry Report, May 22 (10:00a) – Next Sunday, we welcome Kirk Gillespie from LifeFirst to share about their ministry serving those struggling with unplanned pregnancy. Our "Change for Life" Fundraiser is underway! Take home a baby bottle to fill with change (or cash/checks!) and return by Father's Day. For more information, visit <u>lifefirstya.org</u>.

Greenwich Connectors Trip to the Mormon Temple, June 4 (8:00a-2:00p) – Anyone traveling on the D.C. beltway has been struck by the distinctive beauty of the Mormon Temple in MD. Have you ever wondered what it is? Or how Mormonism differs from the Christian faith? Join the Greenwich Connectors for a tour of the building, lunch together (location TBD), and conversation together about the hope we have in Jesus Christ. Cost is only \$35 for the bus. Register through Realm or email: office@greenwichpres.org.

Women's Ministry Gathering, June 11 (9:30a-3:30p) – What's the connection between our mental health and our spiritual life? Does struggling with times of anxiety, shame, frustration, or "the blahs" mean that something is off kilter in our relationship with God? Hear from Christian psychologist Dr. Henry Cloud (via video) about how God wants us to cultivate a mentally healthy faith that will sustain us during the tough times. Lunch is provided! Registration for this free event is through Realm. Questions? Contact Lucille at lmarciano@greenwichpres.org or Joy at joyyates@greenwichpres.org.

Greenwich Preschool Teacher Opening – Our preschool is hiring! Do you love working with children? We are looking for a teacher for our morning four/five-year-old class. Hours are Monday through Friday mornings from 8:30AM - 12:30PM during the school year. Teaching experience and Bachelor's degree preferred. For more information, please contact our preschool director, Jennifer Boyer, at iboyer@greenwichpres.org.

Graduating from College or High School? – If you or your son or daughter is graduating please let us know! Contact the church office with info at office@greenwichpres.org or 703.754.7933 by TODAY.

Thank You for your many prayers following my recent surgery. I likewise appreciated the touching notes, cards, delicious meals and the beautiful, handcrafted quilt by our quilters. You certainly eased my convalescence. What a wonderful congregation you are! With deep gratitude, Valerie Hunt.

Church Picnic Sunday, June 5, 5:00-7:00pm

Join us on the church grounds for fun and fellowship! Bring 1 or 2 side dishes to share! Grilled burgers & hot dogs provided. There will be field games, fun activities, and ice cream for dessert.