

September 18, 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 come - this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Gathering

*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.*

Call to Worship

(from Psalm 95)

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

People: *Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.*

Leader: Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker;

People: *For he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.*

Hymn – Rejoice, the Lord is King!

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*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

*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

Children’s Blessing and The Lord’s Prayer

Musical Offering (11:00)

“Come, Unto Me”

Chancel Choir

Nickel

Sermon

Discipleship in Divided Times: *The light yoke of Jesus*

Matthew 11:28-30

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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,
Walking 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 - The Apostles’ Creed (Unison)

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and
buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended
into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence
He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.*

Response

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see
All I have needed thy hand has provided
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.*

Benediction

We welcome Teresa Gordon (violin) to the 11:00 service this morning.

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

Pam Hall, Maryanne Hill, Pat Howell, the Linero family, Toni Mitchell, Kimberly Park, the family of Irene Smith, Barbara Womack.

For Continuing Care

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, Judy Kifer, Paul Labazzetta, Cece Marshall, Kim Palfrey, Jim Pittman, Judit Platt, Lon Quinones, Elsie Shrewsbury, Scott Smith, Stephanie Stallard, Phil Swinford, Angela Toal, Richard & Alana Wallace, Cecily West, Darryl White, Becky Whitelock.

Praises

This Women’s Retreat this weekend, that God’s spirit may refresh those attending.

Mission Partners

Juan & Veronica Linero, missionaries serving Iglesia Una Luz En El Camino (A Light on the Path) church in Mexico.

Serving our Country

Earl Arnold, Kieran Bateman, Brendan 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

Sep 18 Sherrie Carroll	Sep 20 Caitlyn Maloney	Sep 21 Chasity Spittle
Sep 18 Betty Harrison	Sep 20 Andrew Perrius	Sep 22 Carolyn Faith
Sep 19 Margaret Everett	Sep 20 Callie Rector	Sep 23 Becky Cline
Sep 19 Randy Ferrell	Sep 21 Carolyn Faith	Sep 23 Lamont Gray
Sep 19 Bob Mackey	Sep 21 James McMillan	Sep 24 Lisa House
Sep 19 Helen Taylor	Sep 21 Trish Ruckle	Sep 24 Malinda Kroskie

The Basement Academy

The Basement Academy continues with “Discipleship in Times of Disagreement.” Listen on your favorite podcast app or watch the video at greenwichpres.org or on Facebook.

37th Annual Youth for Tomorrow Country Fair & Auctions

October 1 (10:00am-5:00pm)

Youth For Tomorrow is a residential school giving a second chance and spiritual guidance to at-risk youth in our area. This annual event is great fun for the whole family. For more information, visit:

www.youthfortomorrow.org/country-fair-and-auctions

Volunteers! We are also looking for youth and adult volunteers to work with the food and beverage vendors at our GPC Ray Whitelock Food tent:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B044FAEA922A6F49-raywhitelock>

Questions? Contact Mike Lynn at mlynn@ses-company.com.

Joseph Martin, Sunday, September 25 (9:00a & 11:00a) – Renowned composer and pianist Joseph Martin will join our Chancel Choir in leading worship at both services.

Flying Solo Women’s Group, September 26 (12:00p-2:00p) – Join us in the adult bible study rooms as we begin our planning for the upcoming year. Refreshments will be served. Bring a friend! Questions? Contact Diane Carroll at docdan90@aol.com.

Adult Membership Class, October 2 & 9 (via Zoom) (6:30p-7:30p) & October 16 (12:00p-1:30p) Luncheon with Elders – Come explore the meaning of the Christian faith, the Presbyterian tradition and how to become more involved with the Greenwich church family through affirming our Covenant of Membership. The class will be held on two Sunday evenings via zoom, and a lunch with our elders Sunday after services. Childcare provided. To sign up, please contact the church office at office@greenwichpres.org.

Tuesday Women’s Bible Study “Mentally Healthy Faith”, Begins October 4 (9:30-11:15a) – Join us for this new six-week women’s study: The 10 Laws of Boundaries with Dr. Henry Cloud, to be held in the adult Sunday school rooms.. Learn how boundaries define us, protect us, and free us to be who God designed us to be. We will provide the materials. Come early for coffee! For more information or to register, contact Becky Beane at beanerebecca7@gmail.com or Cathy Ryan at cathypryan@gmail.com.

Scripture Memory Verse – September

*“Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one.
Love the Lord your God with all your heart
and with all your soul and with all your strength.”*

Deuteronomy 6:4-5