

March 19, 2023
The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Gathering

*Father, we love you, we worship and adore you, glorify thy name in all the earth
Glorify thy name, glorify thy name, glorify thy name in all the earth.*

Jesus, we love you, we worship and adore you...

Spirit, we love you, we worship and adore you...

Call to Worship

(from Romans 8)

Leader: If God is for us who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all – how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?

People: *Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?*

Leader: No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

People: *For I am convinced that nothing in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

Hymn - Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!

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*Jesus! What a Friend for sinners! Jesus! Lover of my soul;
Friends may fail me, foes assail me, he, my Savior, makes me whole.
Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah! What a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, he is with me to the end.*

*Jesus! What a Strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in him;
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, he, my Strength, my victory wins. (Refrain)*

*Jesus! What a Help in sorrow! While the billows o'er me roll,
Even when my heart is breaking, he, my Comfort, helps my soul. (Refrain)*

*Jesus! What a Guide and Keeper! While the tempest still is high,
Storms about me, night o'er takes me, he, my Pilot, hears my cry. (Refrain)*

*Jesus! I do now receive him, more than all in him I find,
He has granted me forgiveness, I am his, and he is mine. (Refrain)*

Morning Prayer

O loving God, to turn away from you is to fall, to turn toward you is to rise, and to stand before you is to abide forever. Grant us, dear God, in all our duties your help; in all our uncertainties your guidance; in all our dangers your protection; and in all our sorrows your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sharing the Peace of Christ and Congregational Life

Blessing the Children and The Lord's Prayer

Musical Offering

"O Love Divine" (9:00)

Heather Sorenson

"Is He Worthy?" (11:00)

Chancel Choir

Sermon

Grace and Judgment: *Heaven and Hell*

Ephesians 2:11-13

(p.1816)

Hymn – Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

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*Come, ye thankful people, come; raise the song of harvest home.
All is safely gathered in ere the winter storms begin.
God, our maker, does provide for our wants to be supplied;
Come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.*

*All the world is God's own field, fruit unto his praise to yield,
Wheat and tares together sown, unto joy or sorrows grown.
First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear,
Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.*

*For the Lord our God shall come and shall take his harvest home,
From his field shall in that day all offenses purge away,
Give his angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
But the fruitful ears to store in his garner evermore.*

*Even so, Lord, quickly come to your final harvest home,
Gather all your people in, free from sorrow, free from sin,
There, forever purified, in your presence to abide.
Come, with all your angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home.*

Affirmation of Faith

(from The Heidelberg Catechism)

Q. What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

A. That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Response

*Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah! What a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, he is with me to the end.*

Benediction

March Scripture Memory Verse

"Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death." 2 Corinthians 7:10

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

Kevin Blankenship, the family of Gary Boyd, Linda Frece, Dayton French, the family of Betty Harrison, Kristin Heydt, Lori Horan, Barbara Jackson, Lynne Snow, the family of Don Snyder, Richard Taylor, Judy Tweel, Diana & Rollin van Broekhoven, Bob Williamson, Tom Young.

For Continuing Care

Dixie Baker, Yvonne Beatty, John Bloom, Sam Bunch, Diane Carroll, Artie Coffman, Bob & Judy Colucci, Matt Davis, Audrey Ann Edwards, Tim Everett, Gerry & Abbie Grimes, Kay Hinegardner, Pat Howell, Barbara Jackson, Judy Kifer, Paul Labazzetta, Cece Marshall, Elane Olson, Kim Palfrey, Jim Pittman, Judit Platt, Lon Quinones, Jay Ryan, Elsie Shrewsbury, Stephanie Stallard, Phil Swinford, Angela Toal, Richard & Alana Wallace, Cecily West, Darryl White, Becky Whitelock.

Praises

The marriage of Tyler Blaser & Josefina Guzman.

Mission Partners

SERVE – providing food, shelter, and other support for poor and needy in Western Prince William County.

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, Luke Sturges, Carter Walchli, Jason West.

Greenwich Birthdays This Week

Mar 19 Andrea McEvoy	Mar 22 Nancy Stuessi	Mar 24 Meghan Stubbs
Mar 19 Justin Shultz	Mar 23 David Cummings	Mar 25 Krystal Otto
Mar 21 Fred Moore	Mar 23 Chris Griffin	Mar 25 Jay Ryan
Mar 21 Case Roeber	Mar 23 Sam Johnson	Mar 25 Diana Van Broekhoven

Easter Memorials

This Easter, you can honor or remember someone special by making a donation to our Deacons Fund. You can order a memorial online (www.greenwichpres.org) or forms are available on the table in the lobby. The deadline to place orders is Thursday, April 6. The memorials will be included in the bulletins on Easter Sunday.

Pastor's Class with Heather Sorenson

Sundays, TODAY and March 26

10:00-10:45am in the Sanctuary

Join us for a special two-week Pastor's Class as we get to know our Artist in Residence and hear how she goes about the craft of composing choir anthems and more.

Men's Gathering at Windy Knoll, Saturday, March 25 (Noon-3:00pm) – All men are invited to Windy Knoll Farm in Nokesville (11602 Kettle Run Road) for a great meal (cookout style) and time of fellowship. Please join us!

Table Fellowship is our regular gathering in small groups to get to know each other better. If you would like to be a host this spring, contact Mindi O'Connor at oonormindi@gmail.com

Sunday Morning Volunteers – We are looking to add some volunteers to our Sunday team! If interested, or you have questions, contact Maria at office@greenwichpres.org.

Coffee Crew – We are starting up this ministry again and are looking for people to serve as a host on Sunday mornings in the lobby by providing snacks following worship.

Greeters – Serve as a greeter on Sunday mornings, handing out bulletins and being a welcoming presence.

Student Ministry Opportunities – Contact Lauren McMillan (lmcmillan@greenwichpres.org or 803.972.1548 for info on these groups.

"Man Up" Student Life Group, Tuesdays (7:00-8:30pm) – Guys, 8th-12th grade, join us as we learn and discuss what it looks like to be a man according to God's design and Word. Meets at the home of Jamison & Meghan Stubbs.

"Glow Up" Student Life Group, Tuesdays (17:00-8:30pm) – Ladies, 8th-12th grade, join us as we learn about the incredible encounters Jesus had with women in the Bible and how their story relates to our story as Christian Women. Meets at the home of Lauren & James McMillan.

Greenwich Eggstravaganza (aka Easter Egg Hunt)

Saturday, April 1 (10:00am)

Toddlers through 5th Grade are invited to join us for our Easter Egg Hunt the day before Palm Sunday! After the hunt, families can enjoy craft-making and some treats. Questions? Contact Sue Ellen Kinser at skinser@greenwichpres.org.