

Greenwich Presbyterian Church

September 17, 2023

9:00am

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 for Worship

Come, now is the time to worship.

Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are to worship.

Come, just as you are before your God.

Come.

Call to Worship

(from Colossians 1 and 3)

Leader: Grace and peace to you from God our Father.

People: *Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace.*

Leader: Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach one another with all wisdom.

People: *And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.*

Hymn

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"Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners!"

Morning Prayer

Almighty God, we pray for your blessing on the church in this place. Here may the faithful find salvation, and the careless be awakened. Here may the doubting find faith, and the anxious be encouraged. Here may the tempted find help, and the sorrowful comfort. Here may the weary find rest, and the strong be renewed. Here may the aged find consolation and the young be inspired; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sharing the Peace of Christ and Congregational Life

Offering

"Jesus, Name Above All Names"

see panel

Blessing of the Children and 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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sermon

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

"Love One Another: The greatest of these is love"

(p. 1785)

Hymn

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"The Gift of Love"

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

This is my story, this is my song

Praising my Savior all the day long

This is my story, this is my song

Praising my Savior all the day long

Benediction

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## **Jesus, Name Above All Names**

(Nadia Hearn - Scripture in Song)

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

Jesus, our Intercessor  
Promised Messiah, Wonderful Counselor  
Giver of Living water  
Bread of Life, Son of God

Jesus, Lord of his people  
Lord God Almighty, Prince of Peace  
El Shaddai, God is sufficient  
Shepherd of souls, King of kings.

### **Welcome to Our New Members!**

We welcome the newest members to the Greenwich church family:

Jessica Fridgen      Maryanne Hill      Troy Hill  
Barbara Kluge      Winnie Reedy

*"Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly..." Colossians 3:15-16*

## **September Scripture**

### **Memory Verse**

*"Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you."*

*Matthew 17:20*

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

Pierre Bouscaren, Matt Davis, Earlene Defazio, Shirley Howland, Meade Kendrick, Patty Lockard, the family of Derek Lynn, Marie Scott, Barbara Thomas, Letcher Woody, Judy Young.

### **For Continuing Care**

Dixie Baker, Yvonne Beatty, Donna Bloom, Sam Bunch, Diane Carroll, Artie Coffman, Judy Colucci, Matt Davis, Judy Dickerson, Audrey Ann Edwards, Bob Edwards, Tim Everett, the Griffin family, Gerry & Abbie Grimes, Kay Hinegardner, Barbara Jackson, Judy Kifer, Paul Labazzetta, Cece Marshall, Elane Olson, Kim

Palfrey, Jim Pittman, Judit Platt, Lon Quinones, Marilyn Ricketts, Jay Ryan, Elsie Shrewsbury, Stephanie Stallard, Phil Swinford, Richard & Alana Wallace, Pat Wengert, Cecily West, Darryl White, Becky Whitelock, Tom Young.

### **Praises**

The birth of Banks Bryant Blaser, son of Sam & Brandi Blaser and grandson of Tom & Kendal Blaser.

### **Serving our Country**

Earl Arnold, Kieran Bateman, Brendan Binniker, Ryan Binniker, Justin Fang, Michelle Fleurat, MD, Ray Franze, Alex Frazier, Lee Loudermilk, JR McMillan, Stirling Martin, Luke Sturges, Carter Walchli, Jason West.

### **Greenwich Birthdays This Week**

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| Sep 17 Riley Spittle    | Sep 19 Helen Taylor    | Sep 21 James McMillan  |
| Sep 18 Sherrie Carroll  | Sep 20 Danielle Ginn   | Sep 23 Becky Cline     |
| Sep 19 Margaret Everett | Sep 20 Caitlyn Maloney | Sep 23 Daniel Farmerie |
| Sep 19 Randy Ferrell    | Sep 20 Andrew Perrius  | Sep 23 Lamont Gray     |
| Sep 19 Bob Mackey       | Sep 20 Callie Rector   |                        |

To request prayer, send a message to [prayers@greenwichpres.org](mailto:prayers@greenwichpres.org)

To join our prayer team or learn more about how to pray, visit:

[www.greenwichpres.org/prayer](http://www.greenwichpres.org/prayer)

## Announcements

**Greenwich Ministry Fair – TODAY --** (after each service) Looking for new ways to connect? Interested in joining a bible study or serving in mission? Join us in the lobby for more information on the different ministries at Greenwich. A light breakfast and coffee will be available.

**Tailgating & Games, Friday, October 6 (12:00p-2:00p)** – The Greenwich Connectors invite you to bring your favorite “tailgating” food to share while we gather for a meal and games. If you have a favorite board game bring it along! RSVP to Cindy Henson at [cynthiabhenson@gmail.com](mailto:cynthiabhenson@gmail.com) by Thursday, October 5.

**Youth for Tomorrow Country Fair & Auction, October 7 (10a-5p)** Support our local mission partner with a great day of family fun: amusements, pony rides, petting zoo, and kid’s activities; great food, live entertainment, and auctions (11835 Hazel Cir Dr. in Bristow). Every dollar raised helps support the mission of *Youth For Tomorrow* to help children & families in crisis. Mark your calendar and learn more here: [www.youthfortomorrow.org/country-fair-auction-2023](http://www.youthfortomorrow.org/country-fair-auction-2023)

**Service Opportunity! - YFT Country Fair on October 7** We are looking for youth and adults to serve as food and beverage volunteers. Sign up for a 4-hour shift using this code or contact the church office.

**Flying Solo Women’s Group, Monday, October 9 (12:30p-2:30p)** – Join us for lunch, laughter, and great conversation in the adult Sunday School rooms. Bring a side or dessert to share. We’ll provide sandwiches. RSVP to Diane Carroll at [docdan90@aol.com](mailto:docdan90@aol.com) by Friday, October 6.

**Table Fellowship is Back!** – This Fall we again have opportunities to meet others from our church family...over food, of course! Sign-ups are in the lobby after each service beginning today, and more will be added over the next few weeks. Once the table is full, it’s full, so be sure to check your schedule and sign up soon. We are also looking for hosts – you choose the date/time, your home or a restaurant, and the number of people. If interested in hosting, contact Mindi O’Connor at [occonnormindi@gmail.com](mailto:occonnormindi@gmail.com).

## Congregational Potluck & Forum

Sunday, September 24

5:00p-6:30p

Fellowship Hall

Join us for a church potluck and brief update on denominational realignment. Bring a favorite family dish (main dish, side, salad or dessert) to share.

## Mission Partner Highlights

[www.greenwichpres.org/mission/](http://www.greenwichpres.org/mission/)

### Greenwich Mission Project: Blessing Bags

Each year, we provide hundreds of gift bags for those experiencing homelessness and other crises. Each *Blessing Bag* contains hygiene products, gift cards, seasonal clothing, and a gospel of John. The bags are prepared by small groups from Greenwich and delivered through the Good News Community Kitchen. Through this ministry we seek to be the hands of Jesus, putting His love into action. If you are part of a ministry group looking for a mission project or would like to gather a group of friends to help, please contact Diana Van Broekhoven at [dianakv@verizon.net](mailto:dianakv@verizon.net).

### Youth for Tomorrow

YFT is a residential school in Bristow, giving a 2nd chance and spiritual guidance to at-risk youth in our area. Founded by NFL coach Joe Gibbs, this ministry has grown in influence and reach in the Northern Virginia area, expanding to include comprehensive family counseling, support for immigrant children, and resources for ministering to youth. There is info in the announcements for ways to support & get involved with the Country Fair & Auction Event on October 7. [youthfortomorrow.org](http://youthfortomorrow.org)