# Greenwich Presbyterian Church April 27, 2025 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.

## The Second Sunday of Easter

## **Gathering for Worship**

He is Lord! He is Lord! He is risen from the dead and He is Lord! Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess, That Jesus Christ is Lord!

## Call to Worship

(from 1st Peter 1)

Leader: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

People In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope

through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Leader: Though you have not seen him, you love him;

People: And even though we do not see him now, we are filled with

glorious joy.

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

**Hymn** 299

"That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright!"

## **Morning Prayer**

Almighty God, Lord of life, we praise you that by the resurrection of your Son you overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him. Grant that we who celebrate Christ's rising from the dead may be raised from the death of sin to the life of righteousness; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## Sharing the Peace of Christ and Congregational Life

"Alleluia No. 1" (v.1)

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## Offering

"Lord of Glory"

see panel

## Blessing of the Children and The Lord's Prayer

Sermon Luke 24:13-27

"A Living Hope: But we had hoped he was the one..."

#### Hymn

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives!"

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#### **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

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name

#### **Benediction**

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## **Lord of Glory**

(Unknown – based on Song of Solomon)

Leaping the mountains, bounding the hills See how our God has come to meet us. His voice is lifted, his face is joy Now is the season to sing our song on high.

Come then, O Lord of glory, show us your face Speak for we know your words are life (Chorus)

He pastures his flock among the wild flowers And leads them to the mountain of his love. (Chorus)

All through the day, all through the night Seek for the Lord and sing his love. (Chorus)

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

Patti Bowman, Dave & Elsie Davis, Pat Egan, Jackson Griffin, the family of Margaret Hamilton, Emily Hernandez, Michael Jackson, Kasey, Paul Labazzetta, Ava Lindsey, Jane Lion, Jaan Loger, the family of William Lynn, Marie, Jeff Mozingo, Micheal & Lindsey Petrara, Ronnie Skewes, Peter Thennes, Rollin van Broekhoven, Charlotte Vedeler, Harold Webster, Darryl White, Bob Williamson, Judy Young.

## For Continuing Care

Dixie Baker, Donna Bloom, Diane Carroll, Greg Cook, Sterling & Lorraine Cooper, Judy Dickerson, Audrey Ann Edwards, Tim Everett, Kay Hinegardner, Michael Jackson, Jane Lion, Lew Mohr, Kim Palfrey, Jim Pittman, Lon Quinones, Marilyn Ricketts, Ronnie Skewes, Stephanie Stallard, Phil Swinford, Rollin van Broekhoven, Richard & Alana Wallace, Pat Wengert, Darryl White, Becky Whitelock, Bob Williamson, Judy Young.

#### **Praises**

The resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ!

## **Serving our Country**

Jackson Arnold, Kieran Bateman, Brendan Binniker, Ryan Binniker, Justin Fang, Michelle Fleurat, MD, Ray Franze, Alex Frazier, Gavin Heck, Alesia Hilton, Ashton Hilton, Hayden Hilton, Lee Loudermilk, JR McMillan, Stirling Martin, Tyler Spittle, Luke Sturges, Carter Walchli, Jason West, Jakob Wine, Joshua Wine.

# Happy Birthday!

| Apr 27 Claire Zavattieri | May 1 Hailey Marshall |
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| Apr 28 Aibhinn Perrius   | May 2 James Binniker  |
| Apr 29 Donna Mackey      | May 2 Mike Edwards    |
| Apr 29 Greg Smith        | May 2 Jillian Norman  |
| May 1 Mike Catlett       | May 3 Jenny Snellings |
| May 1 Eva Fisher         |                       |

#### **Announcements**

All-Church Hymn Sing, Sunday, April 27 (6:00pm) – Join us as we gather in the chapel for a hymn sing and to thank Mark & Mary Beran for their many years of service to Greenwich. Immediately following, we'll have light refreshments in the Fellowship Hall.

Mentally Healthy Faith Women's Study, begins April 29 (9:30-11am) Our next weekly study will be "The Importance of Healthy Boundaries." Using videos by Christian psychologist Dr. Henry Cloud, this series covers what boundaries are, why we need them, and what happens when our boundaries are too rigid or too shaky. Open to all women. Childcare is provided. To sign up, contact Becky Beane at beanerebecca7@gmail.com.

Welcome Our New Preschool Staff! April 30, 9:15am-10:30am We are excited to introduce our new weekday Preschool Director, Jacki Boyle & 3-year-old class teacher, Heather Francis. There is a flyer in the lobby with more info about these great new additions to our staff and the Greenwich community is invited to a meet & greet this Wednesday, April 30, 9:15-10:30am in the classrooms.

**Joseph Martin, May 4** @ 9:00 & 11:00 – Joseph Martin, composer and pianist, will join us for worship at both Sunday services on May 4.

Welcome Gathering, May 18 at 10am & 12pm. Interested in learning more about membership at Greenwich? We will host an informal gathering after worship services on Sunday, May 18, at 10am and Noon in Room 111 of our Sunday school classrooms. Please call (703.754.7933), send an email (office@greenwichpres.org), or visit greenwichpres.org/membership to let us know you're coming and learn more.

9:00 Piano Accompanist Needed – With Mary Beran's departure upon us (May 11) we are searching for a new piano accompanist for our 9:00am worship service. This is a paid, part time position. We are looking for someone with excellent piano skills who is available to play Sundays for our early service, and occasionally for our 11:00am service and other special events. If you or someone you know is interested in more information, please contact our Pastoral Administrator, Phil Porter by emailing <a href="mailto:campus@greenwichpres.org">campus@greenwichpres.org</a>.

**Congregational Nominating Committee** – Each year the congregation (in partnership with the Congregational Nominating Committee) enjoys the privilege of electing a new class of church leaders from the membership. Potential nominees for deacon and elder may be recommended using the forms located on the tables in the lobby, or by email to CNC@greenwichpres.org.

**Greenwich Gallery Spring Art Show** – For our next show, we will be featuring the artists here at Greenwich. If you have a piece to show, contact Glenn Howell by May 1 at <a href="mailto:glennatgohowell@gmail.com">glennatgohowell@gmail.com</a>.

## **Mission Opportunities**

## **Blessing Bags**

Each year, several of our women's groups provide gift bags for those experiencing homelessness and other crises, distributed by local shelters and law enforcement. Each *Blessing Bag* contains hygiene products, gift cards, seasonal clothing, and a gospel of John. We are currently collecting the following items for these bags: toothbrushes & covers, lip balm, washcloths, men's crew socks, bar soap boxes, and full-size men and women's deodorant. Donations can be dropped in the collection bins along with our normal food collections in the lobby or outside the church office.

## Farthest Corners Earthquake Relief

Thank you to everyone who participated in our benefit dinner for Farthest Corners last week; we raised over \$28,000 for this important ministry. Please continue to pray for the people of Burma and our missionaries as they respond to the devastating earthquake. The House family is safe and are coordinating immediate assistance for food and shelter. There is an urgent need for mission funding to provide temporary bamboo shelters and repair homes before the rainy season begins

in May. To learn more or contribute visit: <a href="https://farthestcorners.org/">https://farthestcorners.org/</a>

# **Generosity Update**

# Operating Budget - As of March 31, 2025

| March Income                              | \$ 111,965  |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------|
| March Expenses                            | \$ 129,981  |
| March Net (income - expenses)             | \$ (18,016) |
| Operating Fund Beginning Balance (1/1/25) | \$ 150,000  |
| YTD Budget Net (income - expenses)        | \$ (68,669) |
| Operating Fund Balance (3/31/25)          | \$ 81,331   |

Thank you for your generosity and continued faithfulness in giving! Please use the green envelopes in the pews to give your regular offerings and the white envelopes to make your Generation-to-Generation gifts. You may also give to both online. Questions? Please contact Phil Porter our Pastoral Administrator.