

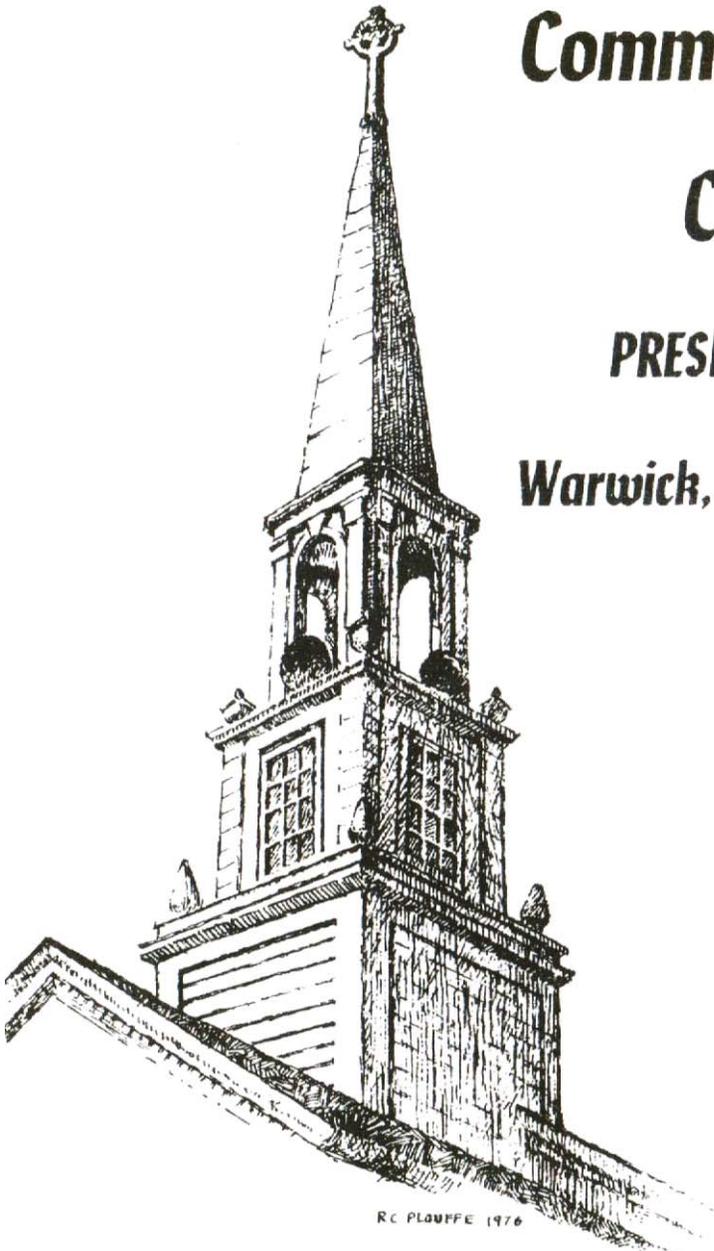
Greenwood

Community

Church

PRESBYTERIAN

Warwick, Rhode Island



OUR MISSION

The Greenwood Community Church, Presbyterian, seeks to have a three-fold ministry in obedience to our Lord's Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20):

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations ..." We seek to bring men and women, boys and girls of all nationalities into a vital relationship with the Son of God.

"... baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit..." We seek to bring men and women, boys and girls into a vital relationship with the family of God.

"... teaching them to observe all I have commanded you ..." We seek to bring men and women, boys and girls into a vital relationship with the Word of God.

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THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
FATHER'S DAY
Morning Worship – 9:30 a.m.
June 21, 2020

Silent prayer for use in preparation for worship:

O Thou, from Whom to be turned is to fall, to Whom to be turned is to rise, and with Whom to stand is to abide for ever: Grant us in all our duties Thy help, in all our perplexities Thy guidance, in all our dangers Thy protection, and in all our sorrows Thy peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

A Prayer of Augustine of Hippo, 354-430 A.D.

PRELUDE *A Child of the King with I'd Rather Have Jesus* arr. M. Ham
John Black, Piano

Faith of our Fathers arr. Carol Wiggins
Alexandra Nichols, Violin

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (from the *Book of Common Worship*, c.1946)

Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ.

THE LORD IS IN HIS HOLY TEMPLE; LET ALL THE EARTH KEEP SILENCE BEFORE HIM.

God is a spirit, and they who worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth.

O COME, LET US WORSHIP AND BOW DOWN, LET US KNEEL BEFORE THE LORD OUR MAKER!

***+HYMN** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (first silently, then in unison)

GREAT AND GLORIOUS GOD, ACCEPT OUR IMPERFECT REPENTANCE, WE PRAY, AND FORGIVE OUR SINS. SEND YOUR SPIRIT OF ADOPTION INTO OUR HEARTS, THAT WE MAY KNOW WE BELONG TO YOU, MAY READILY CALL YOU FATHER, AND MAY FULLY SHARE IN THE BLESSINGS OF YOUR CHILDREN, THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD, AMEN. *A prayer of John Wesley, 1703-1791*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA PATRI**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, amen.*

SCRIPTURE READINGS *Luke 11:1-4*
Romans 6:1-11

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

***HYMN** *This Is My Father's World*

SERMON HE CALLED GOD FATHER

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Heidelberg Catechism, questions 118-120)

WHY HAS CHRIST COMMANDED US TO ADDRESS GOD: "OUR FATHER"? THAT AT THE VERY BEGINNING OF OUR PRAYER HE MAY AWAKEN IN US THE CHILDLIKE REVERENCE AND TRUST TOWARD GOD WHICH SHOULD BE THE MOTIVATION OF OUR PRAYER, WHICH IS THAT GOD HAS BECOME OUR FATHER THROUGH CHRIST AND WILL MUCH LESS DENY US WHAT WE ASK HIM IN FAITH THAN OUR HUMAN FATHERS WILL REFUSE US EARTHLY THINGS.

WHAT HAS GOD COMMANDED US TO ASK OF HIM? ALL THINGS NECESSARY FOR SOUL AND BODY WHICH CHRIST THE LORD HAS INCLUDED IN THE PRAYER WHICH HE HIMSELF TAUGHT US.

WHAT IS 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."

A SERVICE OF BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION

OFFERING

**Doxology* (Lasst Uns Erfruen tune)

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow, praise Him all creatures here below:
Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

**Prayer of Dedication*

***HYMN** *God of Our Fathers*

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *Prelude and Fugue in B-Flat Major* J.S. Bach

**Congregation standing, as able*

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

His compassions fail not. They are new every morning. Lam. 3:22,23

FAITHFULNESS 11 10 11 10 Ref.

William M. Runyan, 1923

Thomas O. Chisholm, 1923

1. Great is Thy faith-ful-ness, O God my Fa-ther, There is no shad-ow of
2. Sum-mer and win-ter, and springtime and har-vest, Sun, moon and stars in their
3. Par-don for sin and a peace that en-dur-eth, Thy own dear pres-ence to

turn-ing with Thee; Thou chang-est not, Thy com-pas-sions they fail not;
cours-es a-bove Join with all na-ture in man-i-fold wit-ness
cheer and to guide; Strength for to-day and bright hope for to-mor-row,

Refrain

As Thou hast been Thou for-ev-er wilt be.
To Thy great faith-ful-ness, mer-cy and love. Great is Thy faith-ful-ness!
Bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be-side!

Great is Thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by morn-ing new mer-cies I see; All I have

need-ed Thy hand hath pro-vid-ed—Great is Thy faith-ful-ness, Lord, un-to me!

LUKE 11:1-4 (KJV & RSV)

He was praying in a certain place, and when He finished, one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples." And He said to them, "When you pray, say:

'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 each day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, for we also forgive every one who is indebted to us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.'"

ROMANS 6:1-11 (RSV)

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His. We know that our old self was crucified with Him so that the sinful body might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For He who has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him. For we know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him.

The death He died He died to sin, once for all, but the life He lives He lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

This Is My Father's World

The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it. Psalm 24:1

1. This is my Fa-ther's world, And to my lis-t'ning ears
 2. This is my Fa-ther's world, The birds their car-ols raise;
 3. This is my Fa-ther's world, O let me ne'er for-get

All na-ture sings, and round me rings The mu-sic of the spheres.
 The morn-ing light, the lil-y white De-clare their Mak-er's praise.
 That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Rul-er yet.

This is my Fa-ther's world, I rest me in the thought
 This is my Fa-ther's world, He shines in all that's fair;
 This is my Fa-ther's world, The bat-tle is not done;

Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas- His hand the won-ders wrought.
 In the rus-ting grass I hear Him pass, He speaks to me ev-ery-where.
 Je-sus, who died, shall be sat-is-fied, And earth and heav'n be one.

TEXT: Maltbie D. Babcock
 MUSIC: Traditional English melody; adapted by Franklin L. Sheppard

TERRA BEATA
 S.M.D.

God of Our Fathers

In You our fathers put their trust; they trusted and You delivered them. Psalm 22:4

Trumpets before each stanza

1. God of our fa-thers, whose al-might-y
 2. Thy love di-vine hath led us in the
 3. From war's a-larms, from dead-ly pes-ti-ti-
 4. Re-fresh Thy peo-ple on their toil-some

hand Leads forth in beau-ty all the star-ry
 past, In this free land by Thee our lot is
 lence, Be Thy strong arm our ev-er sure de-
 way. Lead us from night to nev-er-end-ing

band Of shin-ing worlds in splen-dor through the
 cast; Be Thou our Rul-er, Guard-ian, Guide and
 fense; Thy true re-li-gion in our hearts in-
 day; Fill all our lives with love and grace di-

skies, Our grate-ful songs be-fore Thy throne a-rise.
 Stay, Thy Word our law, Thy paths our cho-sen way.
 crease, Thy boun-teous good-ness nour-ish us in peace.
 vine; And glo-ry, laud and praise be ev-er Thine!

TEXT: Daniel C. Roberts
 MUSIC: George W. Warren

NATIONAL HYMN
 10.10.10.10.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM AND SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION

"The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him, and His righteousness unto children's children; to such as keep His covenant, and to those that remember His commandments to do them." (Psalm 103:17-18) "For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call." (Acts 2:39)

"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age." (Matthew 28:18-20)

Obedying the word of our Lord Jesus, and certain of His presence here with us, we baptize those whom He has called to be His own. This Sacrament is a sign and seal of our cleansing, of our engrafting into Christ, and of our welcome into the household of God. In Jesus Christ, God has promised to forgive our sins, and has joined us together in the family of faith which is His church. He has delivered us from darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son. In Jesus Christ, God has promised to be our Father, and to welcome us as brothers and sisters of Christ.

Know that the promises of God are for you. In Jesus Christ, God puts His sign on you to show that you belong to Him, and gives you the Holy Spirit as a guarantee that, sharing Christ's reconciling work, you will also share His victory; that by dying with Christ to sin, you will be raised with Him to new life.

In presenting yourself for baptism, you announce your faith in Jesus Christ, and show that you want to study Him, know Him, love Him, and serve Him as His chosen disciple. State your intent by answering the following questions:

Do you confess your faith in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord, and do you promise with the aid of the Holy Spirit to be Christ's faithful disciple to your life's end? *If so, please answer, "I do."*

Do you, with a humble and contrite heart, put your whole trust in the mercy of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord? *If so, please answer, "I do."*

Do you promise to make diligent use of the means of grace, to share faithfully in the worship and service of the Church, to give of your substance as the Lord may prosper you, and to devote yourself to the service of Christ and His kingdom throughout the world? *If so, please answer, "I do."*

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying His word and showing his love? *If so, please answer, "I will."*

(Elder to the congregation:) "Our Lord Jesus Christ ordered us to teach those who are baptized. Do we, the people of this church, promise to affirm with this sister the good news of the Gospel, to help her know all that Christ commands, and, by your fellowship, to strengthen her family ties with the household of God? If so, please answer, 'We do.' "

(Pastor) Let us pray. "God our Father, we thank you for Your faithfulness, promised in this sacrament, and for the hope we have in Your Son Jesus Christ. Set apart this water from a common to a sacred use, and grant that what we now do on earth may be indeed confirmed in heaven. As in humble faith we present this young woman to You, we beseech You to receive her, to endue her with Your Holy Spirit, and to keep her ever as Your own. Help her be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. Take her, we pray, under Thy fatherly care and protection, guide and sanctify her in both body and soul, lead her into an ever-increasing knowledge of Jesus Christ, and a more steadfast obedience to His will, we pray in His name, Amen."

The candidate, Carissa Dawn Koop, shall kneel.

(Elder) "I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love which surpasses knowledge -- that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God." *(Ephesians 3:17-19)*

(Pastor) I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. May God our Father, for Jesus' sake, renew and ever increase in you the gift of His Holy Spirit. May you be strengthened in your faith, grow every day in His grace, and confidently live in the victory and promise of everlasting life. Amen.

The candidate shall stand.

(Pastor) Child of God and Child of the Covenant, you are now received into the holy catholic church, and as a member of the Greenwood Community Church, Presbyterian.

"See what manner of love the Father has for us, that we should be called the children of God; for that is who we are." (I John 3:1)

The congregation shall stand and, give the following charge:

AND NOW CONFIRMED AS A MEMBER OF CHRIST'S CHURCH, GO FORTH INTO THE WORLD IN PEACE; BE OF GOOD COURAGE; HOLD FAST THAT WHICH IS GOOD; RENDER TO NO ONE EVIL FOR EVIL; GIVE HONOR AND RESPECT TO ALL; LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD. MAY THE BLESSING OF GOD ALMIGHTY, THE FATHER, THE SON AND THE HOLY SPIRIT, BE UPON YOU AND REMAIN WITH YOU FOREVER. AMEN.

**GREENWOOD COMMUNITY CHURCH, PRESBYTERIAN
WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND
June 21, 2020**

***WELCOME** to all who are worshipping in our sanctuary today; welcome, too, to all worshipping with us online! As done these past eleven weeks, the service will be archived and posted @ twenty minutes after the closing benediction and will be available for viewing and/or downloading for **ONE WEEK**. Also, a special word of welcome to any visiting with us here or on line this morning ... whether you are visiting us for this hour or looking for a new church home, welcome to our fellowship!*

During the offering we will be dedicating tithes and offerings received during the course of the week, as well as those placed in the plates by the entrances; **THANK YOU** for your consistently faithful financial support of the Greenwood Community Church during this time of economic hardship for many AND when we have been unable to meet as a full congregation.

Flowers Today are given to the glory of God by Linda and Bob Martin in loving memory of Linda's mother, Jeanne Heller.

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES TO THE REVEREND STEPHEN L. CLARK AND KIMBERLY BRODIE (now Kimberly Clark ... no relation to the corporation!) who became husband and wife yesterday in Corinth, New York. "Father" Clark officiated and sister Hannah was in the bridal party; we also welcome Hannah as lector for this Father's Day Service of Worship! The new Rev. and Mrs. Clark reside in the church manse at 203 Palmer Avenue, Corinth, NY 12822.

ONLINE MINI-CONCERT NUMBER TWO JUNE 24, 7:15 P.M. -- Our full spring concert has been put on hold due to the pandemic and the lightning strike that damaged our organ, so rather than presenting our concert all at once, we'll be offering several 30-40 minute mini-concerts on Facebook Live throughout the summer. Visit our Facebook page **7:15 p.m. Wednesday, June 24** (*in lieu of our weekly Hymn Sing*) to hear soloists and our music staff perform inspirational arrangements of favorite hymns. Our freewill offering will be collected via the online giving portal at gccp.org - just select the Music Fund as the beneficiary of your gift. This event will be offered online only; however, if you are unable to access Facebook and would like to view the concert in person, please contact John Black at (401) 543-5219 or jblack@gccp.org.

The Rev. Dr. Stephen L. Clark, Pastor

John C. Black, Director of Music and Choirs, Organist

Alexandra K. Nichols, Music Associate

Matthew S. Makeika, Camera and Technical Master

Olivia R. Black, "Choir"

Hannah R. Clark, Lector

INSTRUCTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS DETAILS

- We recognize the sensitive issue that some won't attend a service without masks being required, while others won't attend a service if masks are required ... as per the CDC Guidelines for Houses of Worship at this time, facemask use is strongly encouraged, but not mandated. We **DO** request all to do their best to maintain the recommended social distancing of six feet between non-family persons at all times.
- The 29Eleven room is designated as a "Masks Required" area; a 75 inch TV allows for live-stream viewing of the worship service.
- Roughly every other pew will be open in the sanctuary and pews will be marked off to leave a distance on either side of people from different households; ushers will be prepared to guide you in seating.
- Rows of chairs will be six feet apart in other rooms accommodating live streaming, and we ask you to leave at least three chairs empty between households.
- The hymnals and pew Bibles need not be used; all worship materials are in the bulletins which you may pick up as you enter the sanctuary. Also, the worship materials are available online (gccp.org) for those who may prefer to use personal electronic devices.
- For now there will be no Passing of the Peace, nursery care, Children's Church, or Sunday School for any age until further notice.
- The offering plates will not be passed, but strategically placed in the narthex and by entrances for people to place tithes and offerings. Online giving is also encouraged.
- There will be no formal coffee hour/refreshment time.
- **TO HELP US WITH PLANNING, PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU PLAN TO COME TO WORSHIP.** The most efficient way is to go to www.gccp.org, and click on the heading subcategory on the home page "RSVP for Worship." Or, go directly to www.gccp.org/RSVP. A form will pop up for you to fill out and submit. If you have difficulty navigating technology, just give the church a telephone call to let us know you're coming; leave your name, number attending, and a number we can call to confirm if necessary.
- Again, this is uncharted territory for us; I trust all to be graciously understanding as we do our best to accommodate everyone, given our limitations.

THANK YOU!

