

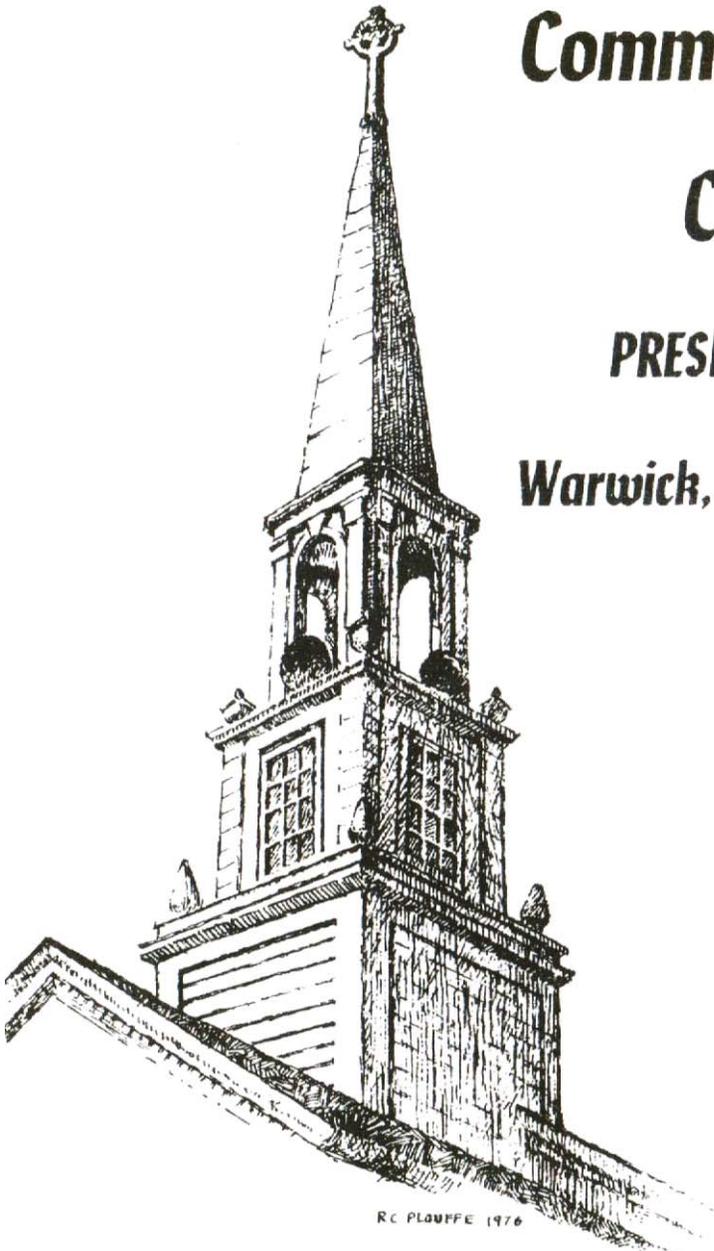
# Greenwood

## 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 NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Morning Worship - 9:30 a. m.

October 11, 2020

*Silent prayer for use in preparation for worship:*

*Grant that we may walk as Christ walked; grant that what the Spirit was in Him, such He may also be in us; grant that our lives may be refashioned after the pattern of His life; grant that we may do today here on earth what Christ would have done, and in the way He would have done it; grant that we may become vessels of His grace, instruments of His will, to Thy glory and honour: through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.*

*A prayer of J.H. Jowett (1864-1923), former pastor of Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York City, and of Westminster Chapel, London*

**PRELUDE** *He Leadeth Me* arr. Mark Hayes  
*And Can It Be* arr. Marilyn Ham

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP/PRAYER OF ADORATION** (Psalm 33: 18, 20-22)

Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear Him, on those whose hope is in His steadfast love,

WE WAIT IN HOPE FOR THE LORD; HE IS OUR HELP AND OUR SHIELD.

In Him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in His holy name.

LET YOUR STEADFAST LOVE, O LORD, BE UPON US, EVEN AS WE HOPE IN YOU.

**\*HYMN** *We Have Not Known Thee As We Ought*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (first silently, then in unison)

O LORD, IN WHOM IS ALL OUR HOPE, REMOVE FAR FROM US EMPTY HOPES AND PRESUMPTUOUS CONFIDENCES. CLEANSE OUR SINFUL HEARTS, AND MAKE THEM SO RIGHT WITH THY MOST HOLY AND LOVING HEART, THAT HOPING IN THEE WE MAY DO THY GOOD, UNTIL THAT DAY WHEN FAITH AND HOPE SHALL GIVE WAY TO SIGHT, AND CHRIST'S LOVE SHALL BE ALL IN ALL. AMEN.

*A prayer of Christina Rossetti, 1830-94*

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (responsively, from Jeremiah 31:31, 33-34b)

"The time is coming," declares the Lord, "when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah."

"THIS IS THE COVENANT I WILL MAKE WITH THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL AFTER THAT TIME," DECLARES THE LORD. "I WILL PUT MY LAW IN THEIR MINDS AND WRITE IT ON THEIR HEARTS. I WILL BE THEIR GOD, AND THEY WILL BE MY PEOPLE."

"For I will forgive their wickedness and remember their sins no more."

IN JESUS CHRIST, WE ARE FORGIVEN. AMEN.

**\*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.*

**SPECIAL MUSIC** *The Lord Is My Shepherd* Howard Goodall  
Sherry Phillips, Soprano; Cynthia Pisano, Alto

**PSALTER** *Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23*

**SCRIPTURE READING** *Philippians 3:15 - 4:9*

**A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

**\*HYMN** *Praise The Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him*

**SERMON** HOW TO AVOID CRITICISM

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *The Apostles' Creed*

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

**INTERCESSORY PRAYERS**

*The Lord's Prayer (trespasses)*

**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** *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** *Hornpipe from Water Music* G.F. Handel

*\*( people standing, as able)*

## We Have Not Known Thee As We Ought

*We have acted very wickedly toward you. We have not obeyed the commands, decrees and laws you gave your servant Moses. Neh. 1:7*

1. We have not known thee as we ought, nor learned thy  
 2. We have not feared thee as we ought, nor bowed be-  
 3. We have not loved thee as we ought, nor cared that  
 4. We have not served thee as we ought; a - las! the

wis - dom, grace, and pow'r; the things of earth have filled our thought,  
 neath thine awe - some eye, nor guard - ed deed and word and thought,  
 we are loved by thee; thy pres - ence we have cold - ly sought,  
 du - ties left un - done, the work with lit - tle fer - vor wrought,

and tri - fles of the pass - ing hour. Lord, give us light thy  
 re - mem - ber - ing that God was nigh. Lord, give us faith to  
 and fee - bly longed thy face to see. Lord, give a pure and  
 the bat - tles lost, or scarce - ly won! Lord, give the zeal, and

truth to see, and make us wise in know - ing thee.  
 know thee near, and grant the grace of ho - ly fear.  
 lov - ing heart to feel and own the love thou art.  
 give the might, for thee to toil, for thee to fight.

5. When shall we know Thee as we ought,  
 and fear and love and serve aright!  
 When shall we, out of trial brought,  
 be perfect in the land of light!  
 Lord, may we day by day prepare  
 to see Thy face, and serve Thee there.

## Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23 (NIV AND RSV)

Praise the LORD! O give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures for ever!

WHO CAN PROCLAIM THE MIGHTY ACTS OF THE LORD, OR SHOW FORTH HIS PRAISE?

Blessed are they who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times!

REMEMBER ME, O LORD, WHEN YOU SHOW FAVOR TO YOUR PEOPLE; HELP ME WHEN YOU DELIVER THEM;

That I may see the prosperity of Your chosen ones, that I may rejoice in the gladness of Your nation, that I may glory with Your heritage.

WE HAVE SINNED, EVEN AS OUR FATHERS DID; WE HAVE COMMITTED INIQUITY, WE HAVE DONE WICKEDLY.

At Horeb they made a calf and worshiped an idol cast from metal.

THEY EXCHANGED THE GLORY OF GOD FOR THE IMAGE OF A BULL, WHICH EATS GRASS.

They forgot God, their Savior, Who had done great things in Egypt, wondrous works in the land of Ham, and awesome deeds by the Red Sea.

SO HE SAID HE WOULD DESTROY THEM -- HAD NOT MOSES, HIS CHOSEN ONE, STOOD IN THE BREACH BEFORE HIM, TO TURN AWAY HIS WRATH FROM DESTROYING THEM.

## Philippians 3:15 - 4:9

Let those of us who are mature be thus minded; and if in anything you are otherwise minded, God will reveal that also to you. Only let us hold true to what we have already attained. Join with others in following my example, brethren, and take note of those who live according to the pattern we gave you. For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, live as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is destruction, their god is the belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, Who will transform our lowly body to be like His glorious body, by the power which enables Him even to subject all things to Himself. Therefore, my brethren, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, that is how you should stand firm in the Lord, dear friends.

I entreat Euodia and I entreat Syntyche to agree in the Lord. And I ask you also, true yokefellow, help these women, for they have labored side by side with me in the gospel together with Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is at hand. Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, do; and the God of peace will be with you.

# Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him

*Praise ye the Lord from the heavens: praise Him in the heights. Psa. 148:1*

Psalm 148  
 Foundling Hospital Collection, 1796  
 St. 3, Edward Osler, 1836

AUSTRIAN HYMN 8 7 8 7 D.  
 Franz Joseph Haydn, 1797

1. Praise the Lord! ye heav'ns, a - dore him; Praise him, an - gels in the height;  
 2. Praise the Lord! for He is glo - rious; Nev - er shall His prom - ise fail;  
 3. Wor - ship, hon - or, glo - ry, bless - ing, Lord, we of - fer un - to Thee;

Sun and moon, re - joyce be - fore Him; Praise Him, all ye stars of light.  
 God hath made His saints vic - to - rious; Sin and death shall not pre - vail.  
 Young and old, Thy praise ex - press - ing, In glad hom - age bend the knee.

Praise the Lord! for He hath spo - ken; Worlds His might - y voice o - beyed;  
 Praise the God of our sal - va - tion! Hosts on high, His pow'r pro - claim;  
 All the saints in heav'n a - dore Thee; We would bow be - fore Thy throne:

Laws which nev - er shall be bro - ken For their guid - ance He hath made.  
 Heav'n and earth and all cre - a - tion, Laud and mag - ni - fy His name.  
 As Thine an - gels serve be - fore Thee, So on earth Thy will be done. A - men.

*This tune in a higher key, No. 209*

# Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

*The Lord will guide you always; He will satisfy your needs. Isaiah 58:11*

1. Guide me, O Thou great Je - ho - vah, Pil - grim through this  
 2. O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, Whence the heal - ing  
 3. When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land; I am weak, but Thou art might - y; Hold me  
 stream doth flow; Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar Lead me  
 fears sub - side; Bear me through the swell - ing cur - rent, Land me

with Thy pow'r - ful hand; Bread of Heav - en, Bread of Heav - en,  
 all my jour - ney through; Strong De - liv - 'rer, strong De - liv - 'rer,  
 safe on Ca - naan's side; Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es

Feed me till I want no more, Feed me till I want no more.  
 Be Thou still my strength and shield, Be Thou still my strength and shield.  
 I will ev - er give to Thee, I will ev - er give to Thee.

TEXT: William Williams; translated by Peter Williams and William Williams

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## 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. 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 SUPPLEMENT

*"Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable -- if anything is excellent or praiseworthy -- think about such things." Philipians 4:8*

*"As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." --Proverbs 23:7, KJV*

The following excerpt is from a short classic entitled **As A Man Thinketh**  
(James Allen, Commission Press, Inc., Charlotte, NC, c. 1960)

The aphorism, "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he," not only embraces the whole of a man's being, but is so comprehensive as to reach out to every condition and circumstance of his life. A man is literally **what he thinks**, his character being the complete sum of all his thoughts. As the plant springs from, and could not be without, the seed, so every act of a man springs from the hidden seeds of thought, and could not have appeared without them. Act is the blossom of thought, and joy and suffering are its fruits; thus does a man garner in the sweet and bitter fruitage of his own husbandry.

A man's mind may be likened to a garden, which may be intelligently cultivated or allowed to run wild; but whether cultivated or neglected, it must, and will, bring forth. If no useful seeds are put into it, then an abundance of useless weed-seeds will fall therein, and will continue to produce their kind. Just as a gardener cultivates his plot, keeping it free from weeds, and growing the flowers and fruits which he requires, so may a man tend the garden of his mind, weeding out all the wrong, useless and impure thoughts, and cultivating toward perfection the flowers and fruits of right, useful and pure thoughts. By pursuing this process, a man sooner or later discovers that he is the master-gardener of his soul, the director of his life.

The soul attracts that which it secretly harbors; that which it loves, and also that which it fears; it reaches the height of its cherished aspirations; it falls to the level of its unchastened desires. Every thought-seed sown or allowed to fall into the mind and to take root there, produces its own blossoming sooner or later into act. Good thoughts bear good fruit, bad thoughts bad fruit. This is but saying that nothing can come from corn but corn, nothing from nettles but nettles. Men understand this law in the natural world, and work with it; but few understand it in the mental and moral world (though its operation there is just as simple and undeviating), and they, therefore, don't cooperate with it.

**IN PERSON SUNDAY SCHOOL CONTINUES TODAY 10:30-11:00 A.M.** Pre-K and Kindergarten students will meet in the first floor Kindergarten classroom; Grades 1-5 will meet in the third floor Sunday School wing and Grades 6-12 will meet in the 29Eleven room on the first floor. To accommodate those not quite ready for in-person Sunday School, an online version of the **Jesus Storybook Bible** lesson is available on **GREENWOOD CHURCH'S SUNDAY SCHOOL FACEBOOK** page (taught by Lisa David); it may be viewed at any time during the week. .

## GREENWOOD COMMUNITY CHURCH, PRESBYTERIAN WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND October 11, 2020

**WELCOME** to all who are worshiping in our sanctuary today; welcome, too, to all worshiping with us online! And a special word of welcome to any and all who may be visiting with us this morning ... welcome to our fellowship!

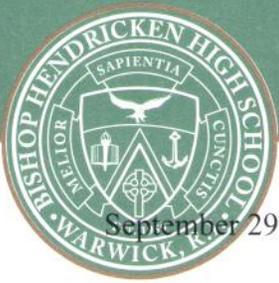
**Flowers Today** are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Francis and Nedra Johnson by their daughter Paula, grandchildren Michael and Kirsten, and great grandchildren, Britney and Malia; and in loving memory of Alexander J. Golanski, cherished father, grandfather, great grandfather and great great grandfather, by Millicent and Rusty Budlong, Lexie, Millicent, Chandler and Trey Budlong-Spinger, Bill Springer, Aaliyah and Alexander Perez and Steele Bedard.

**FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS ARE NEEDED MORE THAN EVER.** Thank you for your continued support of West Bay Community Action's Food Pantry. Please consider donating/contributing non-perishable items such as tuna, peanut butter, canned vegetables, and pasta; leave your donation(s) in the narthex. Thank you!

Our **WEDNESDAY HYMN SING** continues the second Wednesday of each month; join us **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14 AT 7:00 P.M.** for an hour of singing, hymn stories from Pastor Clark, and special music from soloists and instrumentalists. This program is offered on Facebook Live, or here in the church building (appropriately distanced) for those who wish to come and/or may not have internet access.

## 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 official CDC Guidelines for Houses of Worship, 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 entire worship service.
- Pews are marked to leave a social distance on either side of people from different households; ushers are prepared to guide you in seating.
- The hymnals and pew Bibles need not be used; all worship materials are in the bulletins and are also available online (gccp.org) for personal electronic devices.
- There will be no Passing the Peace, nursery care, Children's Church or coffee hour until further notice.
- Offering plates will not be passed, but placed in by entrances for people to leave tithes and offerings. Online giving is also encouraged.
- Again, this is uncharted territory, and has continued much longer than originally anticipated; THANK YOU for being graciously understanding as we continue to do our best to accommodate all, given our limitations.



# Bishop Hendricken High School

*Catholic Values Fostering A Tradition Of Excellence*

September 29, 2020

Greenwood Community Church, Pastor  
805 Main Avenue  
Warwick, RI 02889

Dear Colleague in Ministry,

On Saturday, October 10, 2020 at 3 PM, with a rain date of Sunday, October 11 at 3 PM, we will host a UNITY 2020 event entitled: "***Coming together as a Community – A Faith and Blue Event***". This is a national effort, sponsored by the Department of Justice, to link together faith communities and local police in a dialogue meant to build bridges with the citizens and faithful that we serve. This statewide event, sponsored by the Rhode Island Chiefs of Police Association, is a brief program of prayer, speeches, and breakout sessions to give people the opportunity to greet, meet and speak with their local law enforcement officials and faith leaders.

We would be honored by your presence as our distinguished guest, as well as the members of your congregation, to begin this year long and hopefully lifelong dialogue fostering peace, justice and understanding.

Could you kindly publicize this event and invite your folks to join us? We will gather at the Dennis Hayden Memorial Football field at Bishop Hendricken High school, 2615 Warwick Avenue, Warwick. A sign in will take place, temperatures will be taken, masks are required, and social distanced seating will be provided. Please tell the person checking you in that you are a member of the Clergy so that he/she can direct you to a reserved seat.

I know I speak for all of our Chiefs of Police and their members that we hope that you can join us.

Assuring you and your loved ones and congregations of a remembrance in my Masses and prayers, and assuring you of those of the men of Hendricken, I am,

Fraternally,

Reverend Robert Marciano, KHS '75  
President, Bishop Hendricken High School  
Chaplain/Colonel, Warwick Police Department