

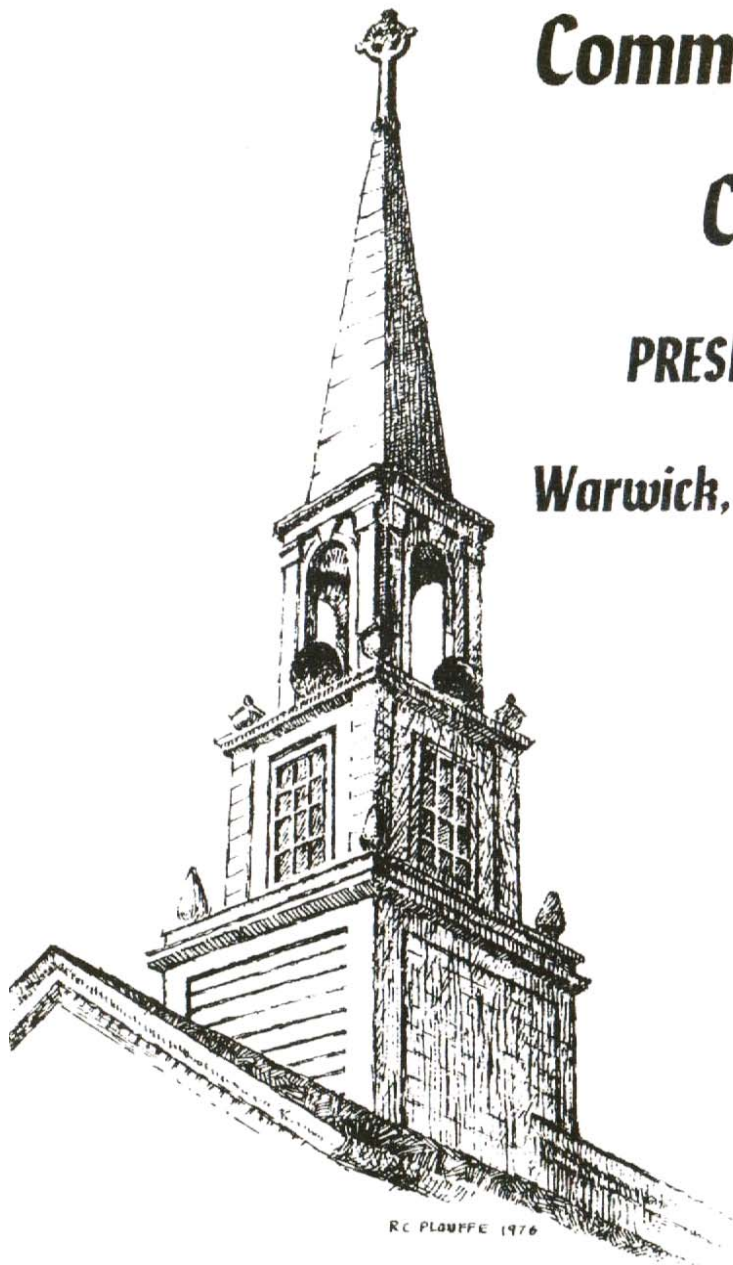
# Greenwood

# 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.

## OUR SESSION

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Dennis J. Charpentier  
Beth A. Fish  
Kevin L. Golde

Emmy J. Kmet  
H. Samuel Koldyk  
Denise S. Mair  
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## OUR STAFF

The Rev. Dr. Stephen L. Clark, Pastor  
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# THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Morning Worship – 9:30 a.m.

July 11, 2021

*Silent prayer for use in preparation for worship:*

*O God, I seek Thy guidance and direction in all that I do. Let Thy wisdom counsel me, Thy hand lead me, and Thine arm support me. I put myself into Thy hands. I trust Thy grace and mercy to forgive. Cleanse and breathe into my soul Thy holy desires. Conform me to Thine own image. Make me like my Savior. Enable me in some measure to live here as He lived, and to act in all things as He would have acted, Amen.*

*A prayer of Ashton Oxenden, 1808-1892, Bishop of Montreal*

## PRELUDE

*Meditation*  
*O Worship the King*  
*William Faulkner*  
*arr. Marilyn Ham*  
*John Black, Organ*  
*Alexandra Nichols, Piano*

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 24)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

AND ALSO WITH YOU.

The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein,

FOR HE HAS FOUNDED IT UPON THE SEAS AND ESTABLISHED IT UPON THE RIVERS.

Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? Who shall stand in His holy place?

HE WHO HAS CLEAN HANDS AND A PURE HEART, WHO DOES NOT LIFT UP HIS SOUL TO WHAT IS FALSE AND DOES NOT SWEAR DECEITFULLY.

He will receive blessing from the Lord and vindication from the God of his salvation.

SUCH IS THE GENERATION OF THOSE WHO SEEK HIM, WHO SEEK THE FACE OF THE GOD OF JACOB.

## \*HYMN

*The Earth and the Riches*

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

MERCIFUL GOD, FOR EVERY FAILURE TO LOVE AS WE OUGHT TO LOVE, SERVE AS WE OUGHT TO SERVE, FORGIVE AS WE OUGHT TO FORGIVE, DO WHAT YOU'VE CALLED US TO DO AND BE WHAT YOU'VE CALLED US TO BE: FORGIVE US, WE PRAY. BY THE POWER OF YOUR HOLY SPIRIT, BREAK FOR US THE HABITS WE CANNOT BREAK, CONQUER FOR US THE FEARS WE CANNOT CONQUER, AND CALM FOR US THE WORRIES WE CANNOT STILL. ENABLE US IN ALL THINGS TO WORK WITH DILIGENCE, ACT IN HONOR, LIVE IN KINDNESS AND WALK HUMBLLY WITH YOU, IN JESUS NAME, AMEN.

## 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.*

## ANTHEM

*We'll Understand It Better By and By* Summer Choir

*Trials dark on ev'ry hand, and we cannot understand  
All the ways that God would lead us to that blessed Promised Land;  
But He'll guide us with His eye, and we'll follow till we die;  
We will understand it better by and by.*

*CHORUS: By and by, when the morning comes, When the saints of God are gathered home,  
We will tell the story how we've overcome; We will understand it better by and by.*

*Of our cherished plans have failed, disappointments have prevailed,  
And we've wandered in the darkness, heavyhearted and alone;  
But we're trusting in the Lord, and according to His Word,  
We will understand it better by and by. [CHORUS]*

*Temptations, hidden snares often take us unawares,  
And our hearts are made to bleed for some thoughtless word or deed,  
And we wonder why the test when we try to do our best,  
But we'll understand it better by and by. [CHORUS]*

## EPISTLE READING

*Ephesians 1:3-14*

## SPECIAL MUSIC

*Nothing But the Blood of Jesus* arr. C. Courtney  
*Stephen Parkinson, Baritone*

## GOSPEL READING

*Mark 6:14-29*

## A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

*Virginia Jacobs*

## \*HYMN

*I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

## SERMON

I HAVEN'T A CLUE YET

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH / CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

## OFFERING

*\*Doxology*

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost!*

*\*Prayer of Dedication*

## \*HYMN

*Rejoice, the Lord Is King*

## \*BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

*Festival Toccata*

*Percy Fletcher*

*\*Congregation standing, as able*

# The Earth and the Riches

Psalm 24  
 For the Son of Man will come in the glory of His Father.  
 — Matthew 16:27

1. <sup>1</sup>The earth and the rich - es that in it are stored, The  
 2. <sup>5</sup>Yes, he from the LORD shall a bless - ing ob - tain, And  
 world and its dwell - ers be - long to the LORD. <sup>2</sup>For  
 from God his Sav - ior he'll righ - teous - ness gain. <sup>6</sup>Thus  
 He is the One who first caused it to stand, And  
 look - ing to Him is a whole bless - ed race; All  
 up from the seas He es - tab - lished the land.  
 those who, like Ja - cob, are seek - ing Your face.  
<sup>3</sup>O who can the path to the LORD's mount as -  
<sup>7</sup>O gates, lift your heads! An - cient doors, lift them  
 cend? And who in the place of His ho - li - ness  
 high! The great King of glo - ry to en - ter draws

stand? <sup>4</sup>The man of pure heart and of hands with - out  
 nigh! <sup>8</sup>O who is the King that in glo - ry draws  
 stain, Who swears not to i - dols nor wor - ships what's vain.  
 near? The LORD, might - y LORD of the bat - tle, is here!

(Third stanza)

3. <sup>9</sup>O gates, lift your heads! An - cient doors, lift them  
 high! The great King of glo - ry to en - ter draws  
 nigh! <sup>10</sup>This great King of glo - ry, O who can He  
 be? The LORD God of hosts, King of glo - ry is He!

# I Sing the Mighty Power of God

The Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them. Exodus 20:11

1. I sing the might-y pow'r of God That made the moun-tains rise,  
 2. I sing the good-ness of the Lord That filled the earth with food;  
 3. There's not a plant or flow'r be-low But makes Thy glo-ries known;

That spread the flow-ing seas a-broad, And built the loft-y skies.  
 He formed the crea-tures with His word And then pro-nounced them good.  
 And clouds a-rise and tem-pests blow By or-der from Thy throne;

I sing the wis-dom that or-dained The sun to rule the day;  
 Lord, how Thy won-ders are dis-played Wher-e'er I turn my eye:  
 While all that bor-rows life from Thee Is ev-er in Thy care,

The moon shines full at His com-mand And all the stars o-bey.  
 If I sur-vey the ground I tread Or gaze up-on the sky!  
 And ev-ery-where that man can be, Thou, God, art pres-ent there.

TEXT: Isaac Watts, altered  
 MUSIC: From *Gesangbuch der Herzogl, Württemberg, 1784*

ELLACOMBE  
 C.M.D.

# Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Philippians 4:4

1. Re-joice, the Lord is King; Your Lord and King a-dore!  
 2. Je-sus, the Sav-ior, reigns, The God of truth and love.  
 3. His king-dom can-not fail; He rules o'er earth and heav'n.  
 4. Re-joice in glo-rious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come

Re-joice, give thanks and sing And tri-umph ev-er-more. Lift  
 When He had purged our stains, He took His seat a-bove. Lift  
 The keys of death and hell Are to our Je-sus giv'n. Lift  
 And take His ser-vants up To their e-ter-nal home. Lift

up your heart; Lift up your voice! Re-joice, a-gain I say, re-joice!  
 up your heart; Lift up your voice! Re-joice, a-gain I say, re-joice!  
 up your heart; Lift up your voice! Re-joice, a-gain I say, re-joice!  
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TEXT: Charles Wesley  
 MUSIC: John Darwall

DARWALL  
 6.6.6.6.8.8.

## 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.

## EPHESIANS 1:2-14

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before Him. In love He predestined us for adoption to Himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of His will, to the praise of His glorious grace, with which He has blessed us in the Beloved. In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace, which He lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of His will, according to His purpose, which He set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in Him, things in heaven and things on earth.

In Him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will, so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of His glory. In Him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in Him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, Who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of His glory.

## MARK 6:14-29

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become well known. Some said, "John the Baptist has been raised from the dead. That is why these miraculous powers are at work in him." But others said, "He is Elijah." And others said, "He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." For it was Herod who had sent and seized John and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because he had married her. For John had been saying to Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to put him to death. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he kept him safe. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed, and yet he heard him gladly.

But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his nobles and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee. For when Herodias's daughter came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests. And the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it to you." And he vowed to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, up to half of my kingdom." And she went out and said to her mother, "For what should I ask?" And she said, "The head of John the Baptist." And she came in immediately with haste to the king and asked, saying, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." And the king was exceedingly sorry, but because of his oaths and his guests he did not want to break his word to her. And immediately the king sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison and brought his head on a platter and gave it to the girl, and the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard of it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH & CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

(from *Epilogues and Prayers*, "The Blesseds of Jesus", William Barclay, c. 1963)

"Let us affirm the blessedness Jesus taught,  
and let us ask Him to make us able to enter into it."

Blessed are the poor in spirit.

**HELP US, O GOD, TO REALIZE OUR OWN POVERTY AND HELPLESSNESS, AND HELP US TO COME TO YOU THAT YOU MAY MAKE US RICH IN THE THINGS WHICH REALLY MATTER.**

Blessed are they who mourn.

**HELP US, O GOD, TO BE SORRY FOR ALL THE WRONG THINGS THAT WE HAVE DONE, AND HELP US TO SHOW THAT OUR SORROW IS REAL BY NOT DOING THEM AGAIN.**

Blessed are the meek.

**GRANT TO US, O GOD, SUCH PERFECT SELF-CONTROL THAT WE MAY COMPLETELY MASTER OURSELVES, SO THAT WE MAY BE FIT AND ABLE TO SERVE AND TO LEAD OTHERS.**

Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness.

**HELP US, O GOD, TO LONG FOR GOODNESS AS MUCH AS ONE STARVING LONGS FOR FOOD, AND AS MUCH AS ONE DYING OF THIRST LONGS FOR WATER, SO THAT WE MAY BE READY TO DO ANYTHING AND TO GIVE UP ANYTHING TO BE WHAT WE OUGHT TO BE.**

Blessed are the merciful.

**O GOD, OUR FATHER, HELP US AT ALL TIMES TO BE KIND, AND HELP US NEVER EITHER THOUGHTLESSLY OR DELIBERATELY TO HURT ANYONE ELSE; AND GRANT THAT NO ONE MAY EVER APPEAL TO US FOR HELP AND NOT RECEIVE IT.**

Blessed are the pure in heart.

**O GOD, OUR FATHER, KEEP ALL OUR THOUGHTS AND ALL OUR DESIRES CLEAN AND PURE SO THAT EVEN OUR SECRET AND INMOST HEARTS MAY BE FIT FOR YOU TO SEE, AND SO THAT WE MAY SEE YOU.**

Blessed are the peacemakers.

**O GOD, OUR FATHER, GRANT THAT WE MAY NEVER AT ANY TIME BE THE CAUSE OF TROUBLE OR OF QUARRELS BETWEEN OTHER PEOPLE.**

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake.

**O GOD, HELP US TO BE GLAD WHEN BEING A CHRISTIAN COSTS US SOMETHING, BECAUSE THEN WE HAVE A CHANCE TO SHOW THAT WE ARE NOT ASHAMED TO LET IT BE SEEN THAT WE BELONG TO JESUS.**

Hear this our prayer and grant us this blessedness, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who taught us to pray, "**Our Father ...**" (*The Lord's Prayer; trespasses*)

**GREENWOOD COMMUNITY CHURCH, PRESBYTERIAN**  
**Warwick, Rhode Island**  
**July 11, 2021**

*WELCOME to all who are worshipping in our sanctuary today; welcome, too, to all worshipping online! The service will be archived and posted after the benediction and be available for viewing and/or downloading.*

*A special word of welcome to any and all visiting with us in person or online this morning ... welcome to our fellowship!*



**FLOWERS TODAY** are given to the glory of God by Beverly Carson in loving memory of her niece, Jodi Simms.

**SUMMER CHOIR** is a WONDERFUL chance for first-time singers to try choral singing in a low-pressure environment! The program will run on Sunday mornings from **July 4 – August 22**, meeting at 9:00 AM in the sanctuary to learn a simple, fun anthem to share in worship at 9:30. No experience required, and you don't have to commit to the whole summer ... stop by any week(s) you would like! All ages are welcome; bring the whole family.



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL STARTS TOMORROW!**

"**DESTINATION DIG!**" where kids will discover more than dirt when they unearth exciting evidences that biblical events were not just stories. We can't wait to explore a new EXPERIENCE and have a blast at VBS!

**SUMMER STRINGS:** Calling all string players! Join us for an informal string ensemble this summer. Gather in the Choir Room on **Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. beginning July 14<sup>th</sup>** for a fun time of music making. We'll provide sheet music, but feel free to bring anything you would like to play. No experience required - you bring the instrument, and we'll enjoy a time of music and fellowship! We may plan to offer a piece in worship at the end of the summer for those who are comfortable doing so. Please contact John Black with questions, and **please RSVP to music@gccp.org or (401) 737-1230 so we know how much music to prepare!**

**THE PLANNING CALENDAR** for **September 2021 – July 2022** is now being assembled in the church office! Please be sure to secure the dates your group or committee will need for the annual calendar which will be printed and distributed to officers and committees at the September meeting.

**39ERS MEET WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 12:00 NOON** at **Chelo's Restaurant, 2225 Post Road**. Choose off the menu! If you need a ride or want to make a reservation, please contact Joan Eichenfeldt at (737-0128).

**DIRECTOR OF YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES** (*and Session elder*) **MATTHEW MAJEIKA** is filling the pulpit as Pastor Clark is away officiating a family wedding in Pennsylvania. A graduate of Vanderbilt University, husband of Corrie, father of Adeline, Catherine, Simon, Evelyn and Juliette, and an engineer by profession, Matt came on board as a 29Eleven volunteer August 2018, and was hired as our Director of Young Adult Ministries a year later.

**CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT:** Join us on **Sunday, August 1 at 2:00 p.m.** for an afternoon with "Schumann and Friends." The program will feature Schumann's thrilling Piano Quintet in E-Flat Major, in addition to selections from the lieder of Brahms, and music for string quartet and soloists. Our music staff will be joined by members of the Rhode Island College string quartet for an hour-long offering of beautiful music. Admission is FREE; a collection will be taken to benefit our ministry of music

**Schumann  
and Friends**

**Sunday, August 1 • 2:00 P.M.**

Greenwood Church, 805 Main Avenue, Warwick, RI

Alexandra Nichols, <i>Violin</i>	Isaiah Hopper, <i>Violin</i>
Julianne Svoboda, <i>Viola</i>	Carolina Roy, <i>Cello</i>
John Black, <i>Piano</i>	Olivia Black, <i>Soprano</i>