

**THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT  
Morning Worship – 10:00 a.m.**

**April 3, 2022**

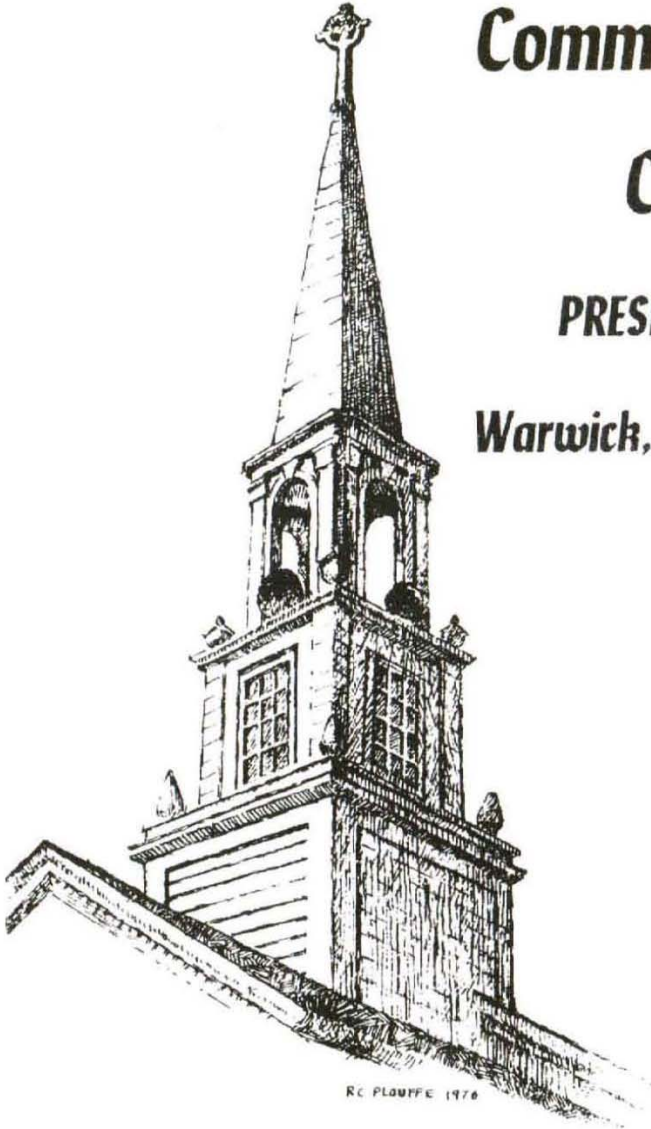
**Greenwood**

**Community**

**Church**

**PRESBYTERIAN**

**Warwick, Rhode Island**



*Silent prayer for use in preparation for worship:*

*O God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Savior and Prince of Peace, forgive our manifold sins. Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we entertain by any unhappy divisions. Take away whatever may hinder us from godly union and accord.*

*As there is but one Body, one Spirit, one hope of our calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, may we also be of one heart and one soul, united in one holy bond of peace, with one mind and one mouth to glorify Thee. Amen.*

*From the **Book of Common Prayer**, 1715*

**PRELUDE** *An Wasserflüssen Babylon* **J.S. Bach**  
(BWV 653, "By the Rivers of Babylon We Wept", from Psalm 137)

*John Black, Organ*

**\*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 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** *And Can it Be That I Should Gain*

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

O GOD, THOUGH OUR SINS BE SEVEN, THOUGH OUR SINS BE SEVENTY TIMES SEVEN, THOUGH OUR SINS BE MORE IN NUMBER THAN THE HAIRS OF OUR HEAD, YET GIVE US GRACE IN LOVING PENITENCE TO CAST OURSELVES DOWN INTO THE DEPTHS OF YOUR COMPASSION. FORGIVEN, WE ASK FOR GRACE TO FOLLOW YOU WHEREVER YOU LEAD. IN DAILY DUTIES TO WHICH YOU CALL US, BOW DOWN OUR WILLS TO SIMPLE OBEDIENCE, PATIENCE UNDER PAIN OR PROVOCATION, TRUTHFULNESS OF WORD AND MANNER, HUMILITY AND KINDNESS. STRENGTHEN US TO SACRIFICE AND COURAGE, THAT IN ALL THINGS, BOTH SMALL AND GREAT, WE MAY BE IMITATORS OF YOUR DEAR SON, EVEN JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD.

*A prayer of Christina Rossetti, 1830-1894*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the good news of the Gospel.  
IN JESUS CHRIST, WE ARE FORGIVEN.

## \*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

*God So Loved the World*                      *John Stainer*  
*Text by William John Sparrow-Simpson*  
*(adapted from John 3:16-17)*

*God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son,  
That whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.  
For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world,  
But that the world through Him might be saved.*

## MINUTE FOR MISSION

**SCRIPTURE READING**                      *John 12:1-8*

\*HYMN                      *Awake, My Soul, Stretch Every Nerve*

SERMON                      BEING BETHANY

## OFFERING

Offertory                      *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley*                      *arr. D. Wagner*  
*Bill Cheney, Baritone*

*Jesus walked this lonesome valley; He had to walk it by Himself.  
Oh, nobody else could walk it for Him; He had to walk it by Himself.*

*Jesus died for our salvation, was crucified all by Himself,  
Oh, nobody else could do it for Him, He went to die all by Himself.*

*On that hill, His spirit left Him; He breathed His last full breath on earth.  
Oh, nobody there could know His suffering; He gave His life that we might live.*

*When we walk this lonesome valley, we shall not walk it all alone;  
For Jesus, our Lord, will be there with us, and guide us to the journey home.*

*Jesus walked, Jesus died, Jesus lives!*

## \*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

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord be with you.

**AND ALSO WITH YOU.**

Lift up your hearts.

**WE LIFT THEM UP TO THE LORD.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**IT IS RIGHT TO GIVE OUR THANKS AND PRAISE.**

**YOU ARE HOLY, O GOD OF MAJESTY, AND BLESSED IS JESUS CHRIST, YOUR SON, OUR LORD, WHO DESCENDED FROM YOUR HEIGHTS TO BE BORN AMONG US, FULL OF GRACE AND TRUTH. THE CUP OF SUFFERING HE DRANK HAS BECOME FOR US THE CUP OF SALVATION. IN HIS DEATH, HE HAS DELIVERED US FROM DEATH'S DOMINION; IN HIS RESURRECTION, HE OPENED THE WAY TO LIFE FULL, ABUNDANT AND ETERNAL. WE EAGERLY AWAIT HIS COMING AGAIN, THAT HIS RULE MAY BE COMPLETE AND YOUR RIGHTEOUSNESS REIGN OVER ALL, WHEN WE WILL FEAST AT HIS ROYAL BANQUET AND SING HIS PRAISES WITH THE CHOIRS OF HEAVEN FOREVERMORE. ACCEPT THIS, OUR SACRIFICE OF PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING, AS A LIVING AND HOLY OFFERING OF OURSELVES, THAT OUR LIVES MAY PROCLAIM THE ONE CRUCIFIED AND RISEN, THE ALPHA AND THE OMEGA, WHO TAUGHT US TO PRAY:**

**"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."**

*The Words of Institution*

*The Communion*

*The Prayer of Thanksgiving*

\*HYMN                      *Give Thanks!*

*Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One,  
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son; (2x)*

*And now let the weak say, "I am strong;" let the poor say, "I am rich," because  
of what the Lord has done for us (2x)*

*(repeat first stanza once, end with "Give thanks!")*

## \*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE                      *Fantasia in g minor, BWV 542*                      *J.S. Bach*

# Awake, My Soul, Stretch Every Nerve

Since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses ... let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Heb. 12:1

1. A - wake, my soul, stretch ev - 'ry nerve, and press with  
2. A cloud of wit - ness - es a - round hold you in  
3. 'Tis God's all - an - i - mat - ing voice that calls you  
4. That prize with peer - less glo - ries bright, which shall new  
5. Blest Sav - ior, in - tro - duced by you, have I my

vig - or on; a heav'n - ly race de - mands your zeal,  
full sur - vey: for - get the steps al - read - y trod,  
• from on high; 'tis his own hand pre - sents the prize  
lus - ter boast, when vic - tors' wreaths and mon - archs' gems  
race be - gun; and, crowned with vic - t'ry, at your feet

and an im - mor - tal crown, and an im - mor - tal crown.  
and on - ward urge your way, and on - ward urge your way.  
• to your as - pir - ing eye, to your as - pir - ing eye:  
shall blend in com - mon dust, shall blend in com - mon dust.  
I'll lay my hon - ors down, I'll lay my hon - ors down.

## JOHN 12:1-8

Six days before the Passover, Jesus arrived at Bethany, where Lazarus lived, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. Here a dinner was given in Jesus' honor. Martha served, while Lazarus was among those reclining at table with Him.

Then Mary took about a pint of pure nard, an expensive perfume; she poured it out on Jesus' feet and wiped His feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.

But one of His disciples, Judas Iscariot, who was later to betray Him, objected. "Why wasn't this perfume sold and the money given to the poor? It was worth a year's wages."

He did not say this because he cared about the money, but because he was a thief; as keeper of the money bag, he used to help himself to what was put into it.

"Leave her alone," Jesus replied. "she had intended to keep this perfume for the day of My burial. You will always have the poor among you, but you will not always have Me."

The Gospel of our Lord.

**THANKS BE TO GOD**



# And Can It Be that I Should Gain

1. And can it be that I should gain an  
 2. 'Tis mys - tery all: th'Im - mor - tal dies! Who  
 3. He left his Fa - ther's throne a - bove (so  
 4. Long my im - pris - oned spir - it lay, fast  
 5. No con - dem - na - tion now I dread; Je -

in - terest in the Sav - ior's blood! Died he for  
 can ex - plore his strange de - sign? In vain the  
 free, so in - fi - nite his grace!), emp - tied him -  
 bound in sin and na - ture's night; thine eye dif -  
 sus, and all in him, is mine; a - live in

me? who caused his pain! For me? who him to  
 first - born ser - aph tries to sound the depths of  
 self of all but love, and bled for Ad - am's  
 fused a quick - ening ray; I woke, the dun - geon  
 him, my liv - ing Head, and clothed in righ - teous -

death pur - sued? A - maz - ing love! How can it  
 love di - vine. 'Tis mer - cy all! Let earth a -  
 help - less race. 'Tis mer - cy all, im - mense and  
 flamed with light; my chains fell off, my heart was  
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 throne, and claim the crown, through Christ my

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 more. 'Tis mer - cy all! Let earth a - dore;  
 me! 'Tis mer - cy all, im - mense and free,  
 thee. My chains fell off, my heart was free,  
 own. Bold I ap - proach th'e - ter - nal throne,

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| 3. 'Tis mer - cy all,  | im - mense and free,     |
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**April 3, 2022**

*WE WELCOME all who are worshiping in our sanctuary today; welcome, too, to all with us online! A special word of welcome to any visiting with us this morning; whether you are visiting us just for a day or looking for a new church home. Information packets are available in the narthex, or feel free to ask an usher if you have any questions. All are cordially invited to Coffee Hour downstairs following the service.*



**FLOWERS THIS WEEK** are given to the glory of God by Monika Algozino in loving memory of Jerry Ramke, “a father to be with me forever,” and by June McCrillis in loving memory of husband Rodney on the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his passing.

**THE 2022 FLOWER CALENDAR:** The following dates are still available to honor a loved one, mark a special occasion, or commemorate the memory of a dearly departed relative or friend and, in doing so, help beautify our sanctuary for worship: *May 5 & 8 (one), May 29 (both), June 19 (one) June 26 (both), July 10 & 17 (one), August 14 (both), August 28 (one), Sept. 11 (both), Sept. 25 (both), Oct. 2 & 9 (one), Oct. 16 & 23 (both), Oct. 30 (one), Nov. 13, 20 (one).* Call the church office (737-1230) to sign up for dates. **The cost is NOW \$20 per bouquet;** as with many commodities today, the cost of fresh flowers is rapidly rising, necessitating a \$5 increase.

**ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING (OGHS)** During Lent, we celebrate that God connects us through Jesus’ resurrection and connects us with “Those who have least” — and that’s what One Great Hour of Sharing is all about. Millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. Today’s insert provides further evidence of the impact of our gifts to OGHS. The three programs supported by OGHS (Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People) all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, the three programs provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope. Please use the OGHS offering envelopes in the pews, at the Sanctuary entryways, in your box of offering envelopes or the OGHS online account for your donation. Thank you from your Mission Committee!



**SPRING CONCERT:** Join us **Sunday, May 1, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.** as the Greenwood Concert Choir presents an afternoon of sacred music in celebration of the resurrection and in prayer for the spiritual state of our nation and world. Enjoy grand, joyful settings of favorite hymns and special offerings from our Handbell Choir, Youth Choir, and instrumentalists. Free admission; freewill offering collected. In person ONLY. Video recording available upon request by emailing [music@gccp.org](mailto:music@gccp.org).

**ORGAN RECITAL:** John Black performs works of Bach, Durufle, Gigout, and Vierne on the Casavant Opus 2000 organ of **Marsh Chapel at Boston University on Monday, April 25 at 7:00 p.m.** The hour-long program includes some of the most difficult pieces in the organ repertoire, including the Bach F Major Toccata and Fugue and the Durufle Toccata. The recital is free and open to the public, offered in-person only.

**TODAY** is the final Sunday of our annual Lenten coin drive to benefit **Heifer International**. All funds raised through this drive will enable the Sunday School to purchase domestic animals for impoverished families worldwide. The purchase of these animals will help feed families as well as generate income for them through the sale of eggs, cheese, milk, wool and other animal byproducts. You may leave your bagged coins (and/or bills) in the offering plate, bring them to the office, or designate a donation by check and send it to the church office. **TODAY-- DOLLARS!**

**TOGETHER, WE CAN  
HELP END HUNGER  
AND POVERTY.**



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL SAVE THE DATES! July 18 - July 22.**

We can't wait to explore a new EXPERIENCE and have a blast at VBS this year! Ages: four through entering grade 6. More information to follow.

**FROM YOUR MISSION COMMITTEE:** Online donations to Ukraine relief can be made in the Mission category and designated in the 'note' area, which appears on the third step of the online giving process. Thank you!

**PALM SUNDAY SERVICE OF WORSHIP 10:00 AM**

and Sunday School for all ages 11:15 AM

**MAUNDY THURSDAY APRIL 14, 7:30 PM**

Service of Worship and Observance of the Lord's Supper

**GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 15**

The sanctuary will be open **noon - 3:00 p.m.** for prayer and meditation, a liturgical Service of Worship will be held at 1:30 p.m.

**EASTER EGG HUNT APRIL 16, 11:00 AM**

Our annual **Easter Egg Hunt** (with our long-eared special guest!) and activities for all children up to and including Grade 6. Bring your Easter Baskets!

**EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 17, ONE SERVICE OF WORSHIP 10:00 AM**

(No Sunday School or youth fellowships)



## Easter Flower Form



We would appreciate your participation in the beautification of our sanctuary for Easter by donating or lending Easter plants for our chancel. You may purchase your own plant and make arrangements for the delivery to the church by **APRIL 16** or you may order through the church. Please indicate your wishes on this form and return it to the church office no later than Sunday, **APRIL 3!**

Please check the appropriate choices below:

\_\_\_\_\_ I will **lend** a plant and pick it up after the 10:00 service on Easter Sunday.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will **donate** a plant which is to be given to a shut-in.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will **bring** my plant to church by Saturday, **APRIL 16**, between 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will **order** \_\_\_\_\_ plants = \_\_\_\_\_ and have enclosed payment with the appropriate plants checked off below.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Lily(s) \$13.00** \_\_\_\_\_ **Tulip(s) \$9.00** \_\_\_\_\_ **Daffodil(s) \$9.00** \_\_\_\_\_ **Hydrangea(s) \$30.00**

In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

The deadline for ordering is: **TODAY, APRIL 3**



Indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast.

1 Corinthians 5:7-8

# Christ in the Passover

An Exploration of Passover, the Last Supper, & Your Communion Experience

Wednesday, April 6  
Presentation 5-6 pm  
followed by a Last Supper inspired Family/Fellowship Dinner from 6-7 pm in Fellowship Hall

Please join us!

JEW  
FOR  
JESUS.



#ChristInThePassover