

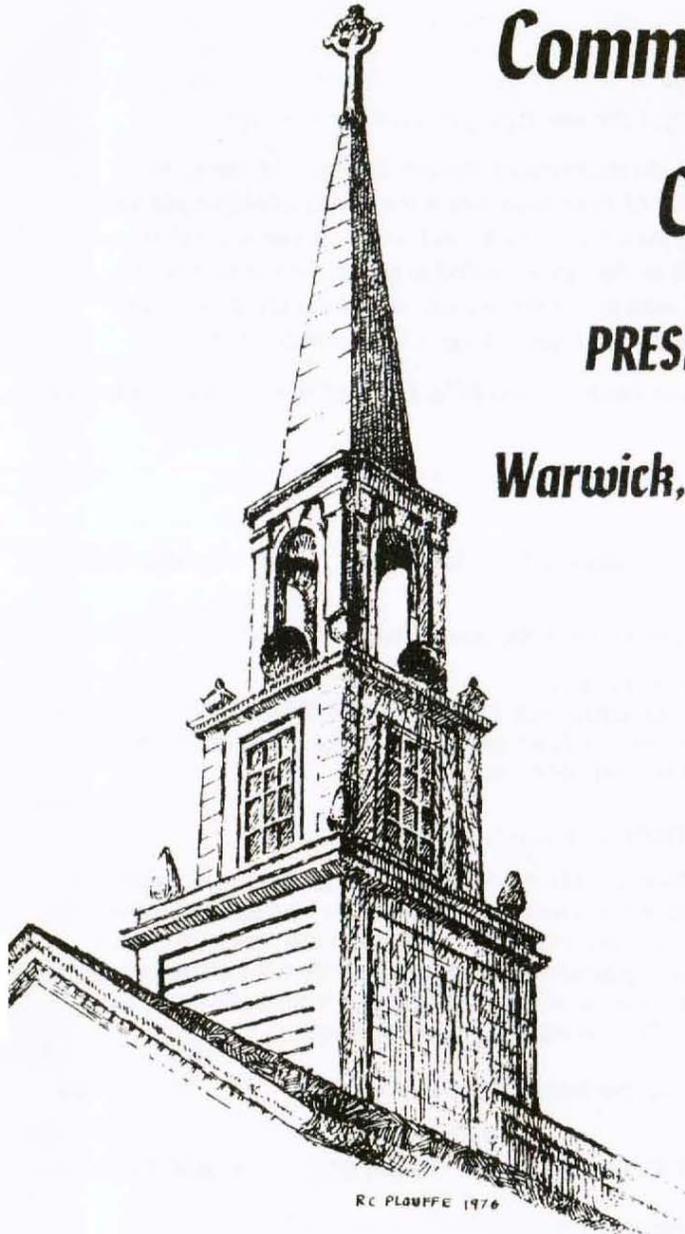
# Greenwood

## Community

## Church

### PRESBYTERIAN

## Warwick, Rhode Island



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

**March 26, 2023**

“Jesus bleibet meine Freude, meines Herzens Trost und Saft.

Jesus wehret allem Leide, Er ist meines Lebens Kraft,  
meiner Augen Lust und Sonne, meiner Seele Schatz und Wonne;  
darum lass' ich Jesum nicht aus dem Herzen und Gesicht.” *SDG*

-- Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685 – 1750 (BWV 147, Chorale #10; perhaps better known as the original first stanza of “Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring.”)

*Literal translation: “Jesus remains my joy, my heart’s comfort and essence. Jesus forbids (or prevents) all woe. He is my life’s strength, my eyes’ joy and sunlight, my soul’s treasure and gladness. So I will not let Jesus out of my heart and my sight.”*

*(SDG - Soli Deo Gloria)*

**PRELUDE** *Air from Orchestral Suite no. 3* *J.S. Bach*

*O große Lieb, o Lieb ohn’ alle Maße* *J.S. Bach*

*(from the St. John Passion; traditional 16<sup>th</sup> century German hymn)*

*O great love, O love beyond measure,  
That brought You to this path of martyrdom!  
I lived with the world in delight and joy,  
And You had to suffer.*

*Greenwood Choral Scholars  
Alexandra Nichols, Violin; John Black, Harpsichord*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP/PRAYER OF ADORATION** *(from Psalm 63:1-8)*

O God, You are our God, earnestly I seek You; my soul thirsts for You, my flesh longs for You, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

SO I HAVE LOOKED UPON YOU IN THE SANCTUARY, BEHOLDING YOUR POWER AND GLORY. BECAUSE YOUR LOVE IS BETTER THAN LIFE, MY LIPS WILL PRAISE YOU.

I will praise You as long as I live, and in Your name I will lift up my hands. My soul will be satisfied as with the richest of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise You.

FOR YOU HAVE BEEN MY HELP, AND IN THE SHADOW OF YOUR WINGS I WILL SING FOR JOY. MY SOUL CLINGS TO YOU; YOUR RIGHT HAND UPHOLDS ME.

**\*HYMN** *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less* *521*

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

WE COME BEFORE THEE, GRACIOUS GOD, IN HUMBLE CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE, TRUSTING THE HOLY MERITS OF THY SON OUR SAVIOR, FOR WE ARE UNDONE BY SIN. CLEANSED AND CLOTHED IN HIM, MAKE US CONTENT THIS DAY IN THY SERVICE. LET US DO NOTHING, SAY NOTHING, DESIRE NOTHING, WHICH IS CONTRARY TO THY WILL. GIVE US THANKFUL SPIRITS AND HEARTS FULL OF PRAISE FOR ALL THAT THOU HAST GIVEN US, AND FOR ALL, IN THY WISDOM, THOU HAST WITHHELD FROM US, AMEN.

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

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON** *(from I John 1:5, in unison)*

“IF WE CONFESS OUR SINS, HE IS FAITHFUL AND JUST TO FORGIVE US OUR SINS, AND TO CLEANSE US FROM ALL UNRIGHTEOUSNESS.”

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.*

**ANTHEM**

*Walkin' to Jordan*

*Jay Althouse*

*The symbolism of the Jordan River as the threshold to the Promised Land brings the walking imagery of this piece in parallel with our Lenten journey.*

*Walkin', walkin', walkin' to Jordan,  
Walkin' to Jordan, walkin' to Jordan.  
I'm walkin', walkin', walkin' to Jordan.  
Gonna find my way back home, Lord,  
Gonna find my way back home.*

*Prayin', prayin', prayin' to Jesus,  
Prayin' to Jesus, prayin' to Jesus.  
I'm prayin', prayin', prayin' to Jesus,  
Prayin' that He'll lead me home, yes,  
Prayin' that He'll lead me home.*

*When I cross over Jordan and take my seat on the other side,  
Gonna cast my crown at Jesus' feet.  
Lord, that river is wide.*

**SCRIPTURE READING**

*John 11:1-45*

*(p. 1063, Pew Bible)*

**HEIFER COIN DRIVE / A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

**\*HYMN**

*Out of My Bondage, Sorrow and Night*

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**SERMON**

JESUS LOVES YOU TO LIFE

**\*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 AND 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.

**OFFERING**

*Offertory*

*Arioso*

*J.S. Bach*

*\*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**

*Just As I Am, without One Plea  
(stanzas 1-3, 5)*

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**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*Toccatà in d minor*

*J.S. Bach*

*\*(the people standing, as able)*

# My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

No one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ.  
1 Cor. 3:11

Capo 3: F(D) C(A) F(D) Bb(G)

1. My hope is built on noth - ing less than Je - sus' blood and  
2. When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I rest on his un -  
3. His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sup - port me in the  
4. When he shall come with trum - pet sound, O may I then in

C(A) F(D) C(A) F(D)

right - eous - ness; I dare not trust the sweet - est frame, but  
chang - ing grace; in ev - ery high and storm - y gale, my  
whelm - ing flood; when all a - round my soul gives way, he  
him be found; dressed in his right - eous - ness a - lone, fault -

Bb(G) C(A) F(D) REFRAIN Bb(G)

whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
an - chor holds with - in the veil. On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all  
then is all my hope and stay.  
less to stand be - fore the throne.

F(D) C(A) F(D) Bb(G) F(D) C7(A7) F(D)

oth - er ground is sink - ing sand, all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

## JOHN 11:1-45

Now a man named Lazarus was sick. He was from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. (This Mary, whose brother Lazarus now lay sick, was the same one who poured perfume on the Lord and wiped His feet with her hair.) So the sisters sent word to Jesus, "Lord, the one you love is sick."

When He heard this, Jesus said, "This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God's glory so that God's Son may be glorified through it." Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. Yet when He heard that Lazarus was sick, He stayed where He was two more days. Then He said to His disciples, "Let us go back to Judea."

"But Rabbi," they said, a short while ago the Jews there tried to stone You, and yet You are going back there?"

Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? A man who walks by day will not stumble, for he sees by this world's light. It is when he walks at night that he stumbles, for he has no light."

After He had said this, He went on to tell them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep; but I am going there to wake him up."

His disciples replied, "Lord, if he sleeps, he will get better." Jesus had been speaking of his death, but His disciples thought He meant natural sleep.

So then He told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead, and for your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him."

Then Thomas (called Didymus) said to the rest of the disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with Him."

On His arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem, and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home.

"Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if You had been here, my brother would not have died. But I know that even now God will give You whatever You ask."

Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again."

Martha answered, "I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day."

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?"

# OUT OF MY BONDAGE, SORROW AND NIGHT

"Yes, Lord," she replied, "I believe that You are the Christ, the Son of God, Who was to come into the world."

After she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary aside. "The Teacher is here," she said, "and is asking for you." When Mary heard this, she got up quickly and went to Him. Now Jesus had not yet entered the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met Him. When the Jews who had been with Mary in the house, comforting her, noticed how quickly she got up and went out, they followed her, supposing she was going to the tomb to mourn there.

When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw Him, she fell at his feet and said, "Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died."

When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, He was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. "Where have you laid him?" he asked.

"Come and see, Lord," they replied.

Jesus wept.

Then the Jews said, "See how He loved him!"

But some of them said, "Could not He who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. "Take away the stone," He said.

"But, Lord," said Martha, the sister of the dead man, "by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days."

Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?"

So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank You that You have heard Me. I knew that You always hear Me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that You sent me."

When He had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face.

Jesus said to them, "Take off the grave clothes and let him go."

Therefore many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus did, put their faith in Him.

1. Out of my bond-age, sor-row and night, Je-sus, I come; Je-sus, I come.  
2. Out of my shame-ful fail-ure and loss, Je-sus, I come; Je-sus, I come.  
3. Out of un-rest and ar-ro-gant pride, Je-sus, I come; Je-sus, I come.  
4. Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Je-sus, I come; Je-sus, I come.

In-to Thy free-dom, glad-ness and light, Je-sus, I come to Thee.  
In-to the glo-rious gain of Thy cross, Je-sus, I come to Thee.  
In-to Thy bless-ed will to a-bide, Je-sus, I come to Thee.  
In-to the joy and light of Thy home, Je-sus, I come to Thee.

Out of my sick-ness in-to Thy health, Out of my want and in-to Thy  
Out of earth's sor-rows in-to Thy balm, Out of life's storms and in-to Thy  
Out of my-self to dwell in Thy love, Out of de-spair in-to rap-tures a-  
Out of the depths of ru-in un-told, In-to the peace of Thy shel-ter-ing

wealth, Out of my sin and in-to Thy-self, Je-sus, I come to Thee.  
calm, Out of dis-tress to ju-bi-lant psalm, Je-sus, I come to Thee.  
bove, Up-ward for aye on wings like a dove, Je-sus, I come to Thee.  
fold, Ev-er Thy glo-rious face to be-hold, Je-sus, I come to Thee.

TEXT: William T. Sleeper  
MUSIC: George C. Stebbins

JESUS, I COME  
Irregular meter

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**MARCH 26, 2023**

***WE WELCOME** all who are worshipping 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 today** are given to the glory of God by Denise Mair in loving memory of her father, Donald J. Stacey, Sr. and cousin, Beverly Johnson Schreiner, in remembrance of their birthdays.

**THE 2023 FLOWER CALENDAR** currently has several dates available. Please stop in the church office or **call (737-1230) to sign up for dates** 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. *Dates available; April 30 (one) June 18 (one) June 25 (both) July 1 (one) July 9 (both) July 16 (both) July 23 (one). August 20 (one) Sept 3 (both) Sept. 13 (both) Sept. 17 (one) Sept. 24 (both)* The cost is **\$25** per bouquet.



**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN** – During February and March we will hold our annual collection for the **“Gifts of the Heart”** kits. A donation box is on the Fellowship Hall stage. **Items needed:** 15”x28” hand towels, wash cloths, wide tooth combs, nail clippers, (wrapped) bars of soap, (boxed) toothbrushes. Ten Standard size Band-Aids. Monetary gifts accepted; simply write a check to Greenwood Community Church and note on memo line “PW Gifts of the Heart”. Thank you!

**WORSHIP CANCELLATION NOTIFICATION:** For up to date information regarding the potential cancellation of church activities during inclement weather, please log on to [www.wpri.com](http://www.wpri.com) or [www.turnto10.com](http://www.turnto10.com), tune in to the corresponding TV stations, look us up on **Face Book** (Greenwood Community Church, Presbyterian) ... and/or call the church office answering machine.



**FAMILY/FELLOWSHIP DINNER Thursday!** Dinner begins 5:30 and we are done in plenty of time for choir rehearsal at 7:00 P.M. All are welcome!

**NOTICE:** As we have done in the past when Holy Week falls on the first week of the month, we will NOT be observing the Lord's Supper April 2, Palm Sunday. We will partake of the Lord's Supper during Maundy Thursday worship four days later, 7:00 PM, April 6.



**ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING:** The Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People (SDOP) works with low-income communities to help overcome oppression and injustice. Projects focus on advocacy, youth-led initiatives, skill development, farming, disabilities, immigration & refugee issues and capacity building. Through your gifts to OGHS,

projects in economically poor communities around the world have had an opportunity to develop solutions to their own challenges. Please use the OGHS offering envelopes in the pews, in your box of offering envelopes or the OGHS online account for your donation. Thank you from your Mission Committee!

**I ♥ VBS SAVE THE DATE; Monday, July 10 through Friday, July 14.** Please join us this year for VBS week and have great fun with old and new friends as we learn about Jesus.

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN** with help from all GCCP, will host a community Early Bird **May Breakfast Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>** from 7:30 am thru 11:30. Tickets will be sold in advance for a \$2.00 savings starting Sunday March 26 in Fellowship Hall. Tickets are \$10.00 Adult - \$5.00 child (5-12;-free for children under 5.)



**~\*~\*~ THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH ~\*~\*~**

Today, March 26	10:00 a.m.	Service of Worship
	11:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour
	11:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	5:00 p.m.	King's Kids
	6:00 p.m.	29 Eleven
Monday, March 27	7:00 p.m.	BSF
Tuesday, March 28	1:00 p.m.	Rachel (Parlor)
Wednesday, March 29	10:30 a.m.	Bible Study
	3:40 p.m.	AHG
Thursday, March 23	5:30 p.m.	Fellowship Dinner
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Friday, March 24	8:00 a.m.	RICH Co-op

**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. The collection dates: **FEBRUARY 26 – PENNIES, MARCH 5 – NICKELS, MARCH 12 – DIMES, MARCH 19 – QUARTERS, MARCH 26 – DOLLARS**



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



# Just as I Am

*Whoever comes to Me I will never drive away. John 6:37*

1. Just as I am, with - out one plea But that Thy  
 2. Just as I am and wait - ing not To rid my  
 3. Just as I am, though tossed a - bout With many a  
 4. Just as I am - Thou wilt re - ceive, Wilt wel - come,

blood was shed for me, And that Thou bidd'st me  
 soul of one dark blot, To Thee whose blood can  
 con - flict, many a doubt, Fight - ings and fears with -  
 par - don, cleanse, re - lieve. Be - cause Thy prom - ise

come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come! I come!  
 cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come! I come!  
 in, with - out, O Lamb of God, I come! I come!  
 I be - lieve, O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

TEXT: Charlotte Elliott

MUSIC: William B. Bradbury; Last stanza setting and Choral ending by Tom Fetzke

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