

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF GREENWICH



Trinity Sunday
June 4, 2023
10:00 AM

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

In a world so torn apart by rivalry, anger, and hatred, we have the privileged vocation to be living signs of a love that can bridge all divisions and heal all wounds.

– Henri Nouwen

PRELUDE

From *The Four Seasons, Spring*
II. Largo e pianissimo sempre - III. Allegro pastorale

Antonio Vivaldi
(1678-1741)

Jeb Dennis, piano

OPENING BELLS & INTROIT

Hallelu, Hallelujah! Praise Ye the Lord!
Jubilate Choir & Summit Sounds

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 8)

One: O Lord our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

All: What are human beings that you are mindful of us?

One: When we look to your heavens, we see the work of your fingers.

All: In your generosity, you have entrusted to us the riches of all creation.

One: May we steward your creation well, celebrating your beauty with all that is in us.

All: All glory, laud, and honor to the Triune God. Let us worship the Lord!

*HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
Hymn 1

John Bacchus Dykes
(1823-1876)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: O Lord our God, you call us to proclaim the gospel,

All: But we remain silent in the presence of evil.

One: You call us to be reconciled to you and one another,

All: But we are content to live in separation.

One: You call us to seek the good of all,

All: But we fail to resist the powers of oppression.

One: You call us to fight pretensions and injustice,

All: But we sit idly by, endangering the lives of people far and near.

One: Forgive us, O Lord. Reconcile us to you by the power of your Spirit,

All: And give us the courage and strength to be reconciled to others; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.

One: Hear now our silent prayers of confession.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (Acts 2:21)

One: Hear the Good News. In Christ, we are new creations. The former ways are passing away; behold, the new has come. Praise God! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Alleluia! 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.*

CALL TO OFFERING

ANTHEM

Alleluia, Alleluia!
Chancel Choir & Steeple Band

Amy F. Bernon
(1967)

***DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Andre Castillo

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: Open our hearts and minds by the power of your Spirit, Holy God, that we might hear and receive the message you intend for us today. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 28:16-20

Laurel Cary

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

The Church's Source of Confidence

Chuck Cary

ANTHEM

Alleluia
Chancel Choir
Jeb Dennis, piano

Randall Thompson
(1899-1984)

COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Prayer After Communion

*HYMN

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Hymn 260

Rowland Hugh
Pritchard (1811-1887)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Toccata in D minor, BWV 538

Jeb Dennis, organ

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)

All are invited to remain in the Sanctuary for the postlude.

**Please stand as you are able.*

WELCOME!

We are delighted you are joining us in worship! Founded on Easter Sunday in 1881, the mission of First Presbyterian Church of Greenwich is to nurture and empower people in all stages of life to be Christ's disciples and to actively serve those in need. Our current COVID protocol is we are mask optional, and we ask those in the balcony to please wear a mask.

Please note: Bridge Pastor Leslie Dobbs-Allsopp is in Israel and Palestine until June 12.

TODAY – We welcome our guest preacher this morning: The Reverend Dr. Chuck Cary. Chuck and Millie Cary live in East Quogue on the East End of Long Island. He is an honorably retired Presbyterian pastor who was ordained in 1975, a graduate of Maryville College and McCormick Seminary, and has served congregations on the island, in Naples, Florida, and Chicagoland. They are parents/ parents-in-law to Abe and Lucy Cary, and grandparents to Jane, Laurel, and Sam, members of the congregation. Chuck is quick to say, "We enjoy the congregation and consider it our church home whenever we're in town!"

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Rev. Dr. Chuck Cary; Rev. Andre Castillo; Dr. Caroline Worra, Minister of Music; Jeb Dennis, piano & organ; Jubilate Choir, Summit Sounds, Chancel Choir & Steeple Band.

Usher Team I: Hearst Zhang (Captain), Carol Barber, Diane Brown, Peter McWhorter, Tami Nelson, Thomas Nelson, and Scott Sternberg.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray for victims and families of the earthquake in Syria & Turkey; all those impacted by gun violence; Ukraine; Haiti; Paula Jensen, Adolfo Paniagua; Jeff (Barbara McKelvey); Shelly Jones (Carolyn Hahn-Re); Robert Feeley (Anna Goldoff); Laura Lewis (Chris Loveless); Elly Shafer (Renee Lux); Jimmy Mack (Margaret Mack); Alonso Martinez (Hal Ritch); Family of Lesley Craigie; Rob & Alice Rusk and family on the death of his father, Stanley Rusk III; the family of Dottie Splittorf; the family of George Hallenbeck; Debra Mecky and family on the death of her father, Karl Silas Walker; Adrienne Perry & her family on the death of her mother, Carol Augustine; Carola Cammann; families & friends of Alfa Barrie & Garrett Warren.

NEW NURSERY SCHOOL DIRECTOR

Megan Florentine will join the First Presbyterian community as the Director of the Nursery School starting July 1, 2023. Megan hails from Nashville, Tennessee with 20 years of teaching experience and has trained educators nationwide in how to create engaging and joyful classrooms. Megan is truly passionate about early childhood education as well as partnering with teachers and families. First Presby parents will have the opportunity to learn more about Megan in the coming months.



NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The 2023 Nominating Committee is seeking your help to identify those among our congregation whose interests and areas of expertise could be shared in service to our church family. We invite you to please recommend someone you think would be a great fit in the role of a Deacon or Elder position. Send questions or recommendations to: Lilian Eng, Elder for Nominating at fpcg.nominating@gmail.com.

Music

Stay tuned for news about our SUMMER MUSIC CAMP for ALL AGES in August and our Wonderful Wednesday evening programming to begin again in September. For those interested in singing or playing at the 8:30 or 10:30 AM summer worship, feel free to contact Caroline: caroline.worra@fpcg.org.

EDDIE ZHENG DEPARTURE FROM FPCG

“It is with bittersweetness that I will be departing as Organ Associate of FPCG, effective June 11th. I will be beginning a new chapter in my church music life as Assistant Organist at St. Ignatius of Antioch Episcopal Church in NYC, where I will be working with traditional Anglo-Catholic liturgy, a historic space, and a fine organ. I will always cherish this past year at First Presbyterian, and am eternally grateful to have been able to share music and worship with this vibrant, accepting, and passionate community; as well as to have worked with the awe-inspiring Caroline Worra and Andre Castillo. Thank you for welcoming me. I will stay in touch and be around!” – Eddie Zheng

Mission Engagement

PACIFIC HOUSE COOKS ● JUNE 8

Join the FPCG team to cook and serve meals for men and young male residents of Pacific House on the second Thursday of every month. Cook in the FPCG kitchen from 1:30 to 4:30 PM or serve at Pacific House from 5:30 to 6:30 PM. To help, contact Carol Barber: cbarber@cyburban.com or (914) 490-6621

GREENWICH INTERFAITH BLOOD DRIVE, FELLOWSHIP HALL ● SATURDAY, JUNE 17 – 8:00 AM - 1:30 PM



Did you know hospitals request type O blood the most & it's the first to run out in a shortage? While the Red Cross needs donors of all blood types, types O+ & O- are especially needed right now to ensure hospitals stand ready with these vital blood types. Make your appointment to donate now online at rcblood.org/appt. and use code FPCG or scan the QR code.



DRIVERS NEEDED FOR CALL-A-RIDE

Call-A-Ride of Greenwich is an independent nonprofit organization founded in 1975 to provide free door-to-door transportation for Greenwich ambulatory senior citizens over age 60. Three cars are available Monday through Friday to any location within the town of Greenwich for any purpose: doctors, drug stores, attorneys, banks, shopping, hair appointments, elections polls, Greenwich Senior Center, or to visit with friends. If you'd like to become a driver or would like to use the service, contact Terry Lohmeyer by email (terryhl@aol.com) or phone: (203)249-9412.

Spiritual Enrichment

WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP – JUNE 16

Join us monthly on a Friday morning for fellowship and book discussion in the Church Library on the 4th Floor. We gather to chat at 9:15 am. Our book discussion is from 9:30 - 10:30am. Our June book is *Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow* by Gabrielle Zevin. We welcome new members!

Fellowship

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST – SATURDAY, JUNE 10, 9 – 11 AM

Join us in the library on the fourth floor for fellowship and a nourishing time of good food and good conversation. Hosted by Congregational Life. Contact: Nancy Yao Maasbach (yaoyaomaas@outlook.com).

ALL-CHURCH SPRING PICNIC – SUNDAY, JUNE 11, 11 AM – 1:00 PM

All are invited to our annual all-church spring picnic at the Collyer Center (37 Lafayette Place). Bring a friend and join the fun.

Children & Youth

NURSERY – Childcare is offered for our youngest disciples during all of our worship services. Come to Room 220 (second floor next to the elevator) as early as 15 minutes before worship begins to connect your family and children with our background checked, CPR trained, loving and experienced childcare staff.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES – Every Sunday during 10 AM worship, our young disciples are invited to the front of our Sanctuary for a message from one of our pastors. They are fun and engaging for the whole congregation, and they give us the opportunity to engage in meaningful worship together with all ages.

SUNDAY SCHOOL – After the Time for Youth Disciples, children ages Pre-K – 7th grade are invited to age-specific Sunday School classes where we will have fun, engage with the Bible, and grow in our relationships with God and our neighbors. Ages Pre-K – 4th grade must be picked up by a parent or older sibling. 5th – 7th grade will dismiss themselves at the end of worship. Classroom assignments are:

PreK – K: Room 221; 1st – 2nd: Room 344; 3rd – 4th: Room 343; 5th – 7th: Youth Room.

Starting June 18th: All grade levels will be in the Youth Room for Sunday School.

Coming Up

Saturday	June 10	9:00 – 11:00 AM	Men’s Spring Fellowship
Sunday	June 11	10:00 AM	Volunteer Appreciation Sunday & 4 th Grade Bible Presentation
Sunday	June 11	11:00 AM	All-Church Spring Picnic
Saturday	June 17	8:00 AM – 1:30 PM	Greenwich Interfaith Blood Drive



CHURCH OFFICE HOURS • 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

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Ministers: All members of the congregation.



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