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Welcome to Greenwood Forest!

We are so glad you've chosen to join us this week. Greenwood Forest Baptist Church is an inclusive community of faith, which means we welcome, affirm, and include all God's people in their diversity of genders, sexual orientations, races, ethnicities, ages, abilities, and backgrounds. We are each beloved by God and we are happy to welcome you to our church this morning exactly as you are.

The Fifth Sunday of Lent

Prelude Rhosymedre arr. R. Vaughn Williams

Chiming of the Hour

Gathering Hymn (v. 3) Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

(see page 3)

Welcome to Worship Rev. Lauren Efird

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Passing of the Peace

Call to Worship (Psalm 119:9-16)

Rev. Dr. Stephen Stacks

Leader: How can young people keep their way pure?

People: By guarding it according to your word.

Leader: With my whole heart I seek you;

People: Do not let me stray from your commandments.

Leader: I treasure your word in my heart,

People: so that I may not sin against you.

Leader: Blessed are you, O LORD;

People: teach me your statutes.

Leader: With my lips I declare all the ordinances of your mouth.

People: I delight in the way of your decrees as much as in all riches.

Leader: I will meditate on your precepts, and fix my eyes on your ways.

People: I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word.

Invocation Rev. Stacks

Hymn (vv. 1-3) When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (see page 4)



When I Survey the Wondrous Cross 1. When the won - drous which the sur - vey cross, on 2. For - bid it, Lord, that Ι should boast, save in the 3. See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sor - row and 4. Were the whole realm of na ture mine, that were a 0 **Prince** of died, rich - est gain glo my ry of all the vain things that death Christ, God; my love flow gled down; did e'er such love and min pres ent far too small; love so a - maz ing, 0 all pride. count but loss, and pour con - tempt on my blood. Ι sac - ri - fice them His charm me most, to or thorns com - pose rich crown? sor row meet, so a de - mands my life, all. di vine, soul, so my my 0

Rev. Al Whitehouse

Presentation of the Offering

OLD HUNDREDTH

As our offering is presented back to God, we will sing the following doxology:

Praise God, who forms us from the dust.

Praise Christ, who frees us through the cross.

Praise Holy Ghost who drives us on

To meet God in the wilderness.

Amen

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Luke Perrin

We affirm each prayer with the following response:

Leader: Lord, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

We conclude the Prayers of the People with 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.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

Amen.

Scripture Reading

John 12:20-33

Rev. Wesley Spears-Newsome

We affirm the reading of Scripture with the following response:

Reader: The word of God for us, the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Ososo (Come Now, O Prince of Peace)

Geonyong Lee

Come now, O Prince of Peace;

Make us one body.

Come, O Lord Jesus;

Reconcile all people.

Come now and set us free,

O God, our Savior.

Come, O Lord Jesus;

Reconcile all people.

Come now. O God of love:

Make us one body.

Come, O Lord Jesus:

Reconcile all people.

Come, hope of unity;

Make us one body.

Come, O Lord Jesus;

Reconcile all people.

KOREAN

1 오소서 오소서 평화의 임금 우리가 한몸 이루게 하소서

2 오소서 오소서 사랑의 임금 우리가 한몸 이루게 하소서

3 오소서 오소서 자유의 임금 우리가 한몸 이루게 하소서

4 오소서 오소서 통일의 임금 우리가 한몸 이루게 하소서

Sermon

Rev. Al Whitehouse

Hymn

Come Ye Sinners Poor and Needy

(see page 7)

Benediction

Rev. Efird

Postlude

Benedictus on "Sicilian Mariners"

Gordon Young

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Prayer List*

Emma Aeppli

Beverly Allen

Jim Allen

Nell Allen

Peter Barboriak

(Valerie Brooks' friend)

Gilles Bikindou

Carol Crews

(Katie Lockhart's aunt)

The Davis Family

(friends of Susan Beck)

James Mark Frazier

(Sue Hughes' brother)

Autumn Hardison

Annette King

Brownie McLeod

Marian McGill

(Leta Huntsinger's aunt)

Janet Merriman

(Roz Slawson's friend)

Sylvia Morgan

Sara McMillan Perkinson

(Leon and Sue Perkinson's daughter

-in-law)

Harold Ritter

Gladys Wells

(at the death of Carol Wells)

Jennifer Whaley

Alison Zieglmeier

Our partner church,

Ebenezer Baptist, Cuba

*To add a name to the prayer list, please contact the church office. Names rotate off and can be readded upon request.

Prayer for this Week



Lent is a time of re-examination of our lives and a time to reflect on the voices to whom we listen. Consider this prayer this week and also access other Lenten resources at gfbccary.org/lent.

God of suffering and glory, in Jesus Christ you reveal the way of life through the path of obedience. Inscribe your law in our hearts, that in life we may not stray from you, but may be your people. Amen.

From "Revised Common Lectionary Prayers" via the Vanderbilt Divinity Library



Holy Week and Easter Services

Palm Sunday | March 28 at 11am | Livestream

Palms will be placed under the Greenwood Forest Children's Center awning on Friday morning, March 26. We invite you to come by and pick up fronds for your household, take a picture waving your palms, and upload them at gfbccary.org/lent before Saturday evening to be a part of our virtual Palm Sunday processional.

Good Friday | April 2 at 7pm | Zoom

We will have our annual service of Good Friday together via Zoom. You will receive an invite via email on the day of the worship service.

Easter | April 4 at 11am | In-Person & Livestream

We will be celebrating Easter Sunday in-person at Greenwood Forest! We will have worship on the lawn that morning including all of the coronavirus precautions we used in the fall: social distancing of at least 6ft, masks are required, and please do not attend in-person if you are experiencing covid-19 symptoms. The service will also be livestreamed for those who cannot attend in-person.





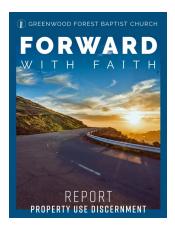


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Scripture Madness and Greenwood Forest Bracket Games for 2021

March Madness is here! You can participate in our Scripture Madness Bracket to select Greenwood Forest's favorite passage from the Bible every week at gfbccary.org/madness.



Property Repurposing Report Available Online

Since October 2020, we have engaged in a listening campaign to discover where God might be leading us to use our property in the future. You can read about the findings of that process in a new report at gfbccary.org/repurposing. You can still communicate your responses to the report to the discernment committee listed in the report.



Work Anniversary: Karen Burden, Office Administrator

Karen Burden joined Greenwood Forest Baptist Church's staff as our office administrator on March 24, 2014. This year marks her seventh year with us! Please congratulate Karen on her anniversary and thank her for her hard work and dedication to our church.

In the midst of the pandemic, there is something simple that we can all do for the church that will make a huge difference: set up online giving. Every Sunday that we are not at church, we experience a decline in giving. Even though we are not physically together, the church still has to pay its bills, our wonderful staff, and make sure that our church is prepared to help the most vulnerable—especially during this pandemic.

February 2021 Finance Update

Updated when the previous month's books have closed.

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	Feb. 2021	Year-to-Date
Congregational Giving	\$52,002	\$333,256
Congregational Giving Target	\$53,624	\$366,444
Congregational Giving Under/Over	(\$1,622)	(\$33,188)
Other Receipts	\$390	\$12,640
Total Giving and Receipts	\$52,392	\$345,896
Total Disbursements	\$63,957	\$362,834
Under/Over Receipts vs. Disbursements	(\$11,565)	(\$16,938)
Together We Build Giving	\$3,393	\$80,328

Ways to Tithe

- 1. Set up an automatic payment through your bank using the "Bill Pay" function. This results in your bank mailing a check to the church weekly or monthly.
- 2. Give online through the church website. Simply go to <u>gfbccary.org/give</u> to access the online giving module.
- 3. Set up an automated bank draft by filling out the form on the next page of this bulletin, attaching a voided check, and mailing it to the church office at Greenwood Forest Baptist Church, 110 SE Maynard Road, Cary, NC 27511.



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	Replace Existing Draft
	Cancel Draft
Effect	tive Date:

Authorization Agreement for Automated Bank Draft

Automated Payment Authorization

I (we) hereby authorize Greenwood Forest Baptist Church to initiate debit entries to my (our) account designated below at the depository financial institution named below and to debit same account. I authorize credit entries, if necessary, for any debit entries that are determined to be in error. I acknowledge that the origination of ACH transactions to my account must comply with the provisions of U.S. law.

This authorization is to remain in full force and effect until Greenwood Forest Baptist Church has received written notification from me (or either of us) of its termination that is to be received at least five (5) business days prior to the proposed effective date of the termination of the authorization.

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