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# an inclusive community of faith

## ► Welcome to worship!

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.

► *Today's color is purple for Lent, a season of reflection and repentance. Resources for Lent are available in your inbox. Contact Rev. Spears-Newsome if you have trouble accessing them.*

► *Hearing assistance devices are available at the back of the sanctuary.*

► *Services are livestreamed and you may end up on camera.*



# Order of Worship

Palm Sunday

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

arr. Lloyd Larson

Processional Hymn

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

*(see page 3)*

Welcome to Worship

Rev. Lauren Efird

Leader: The Lord be with you!

People: And also with you!

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Efird

Call to Worship (Sanctified Art)

Rev. Dr. Stephen Stacks

Leader: It is holy to gather.

People: It is holy to sing.

Leader: It is holy to be generous, to throw our coats on the road.

People: It is holy to celebrate justice when we see it.

Leader: It is holy to shout, "Hosanna!"

People: It is holy to remember.

Leader: It is holy to gather. It is holy to sing.

People: Here and now, let us do all of these things.

Invocation

Rev. Dr. Stacks

Hymn

Lift Up Your Heads

*(see page 4)*

Offertory Prayer

Chris Cook

Presentation of the Offering

OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

# All Glory, Laud, and Honor

1. All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to Thee, Re - deem - er, King,  
2. The com - pa - ny of an - gels are prais - ing Thee on high;  
3. To Thee, be - fore Thy pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.  
and we with all cre - a - tion in cho - rus make re - ply.  
to Thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.

Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, Thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,  
The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore Thee went;  
Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es, ac - cept the praise we bring,

who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and bless - ed One!  
our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore Thee we pre - sent.  
who in all good de - light - est, Thou good and gra - cious King!

The musical score is written for three voices (Soprano, Alto, and Tenor/Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in the key of B-flat major (two flats) and 4/4 time. The score consists of five systems, each with a vocal line and a piano line. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody. The score ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

# Lift Up Your Heads

1. Lift up your heads, you might - y gates; be - hold, the  
2. Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; make it a  
3. Re - deem - er, come, we o - pen wide our hearts to

King of glo - ry waits; the King of kings is  
tem - ple, set a - part from earth - ly use for  
You; here, Lord, a - bide: Your in - ner pres - ence

draw - ing near; the Sav - ior of the world is here!  
heaven's em - ploy, a - dorned with prayer, and love, and joy.  
let us feel; Your grace and love in us re - veal.

The musical score is written for a choir or solo voice with piano accompaniment. It features three systems of music. Each system consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano line (bass clef). The key signature is B-flat major (two flats), and the time signature is 2/2. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system contains three lines of lyrics. The second system contains two lines of lyrics. The third system contains three lines of lyrics. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines.

## The Prayers of the People

Rev. Wesley Spears-Newsome

*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

Luke 19:28-40

Rev. Dr. Stacks

*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

My Song is Love Unknown

Edwin Childs

My song is love unknown,

My Savior's love to me,

Love to the loveless shown

That they might lovely be.

Oh, who am I,

That for my sake

My Lord should take frail flesh and die?

Sometimes we strew his way

And his sweet praises sing,

Resounding all the day hosannas

To our king.

Then "Crucify!" is all our breath,

And for his death we thirst and cry.

Why? What has my Lord done?

What makes this rage and spite?

He made the lame to run

And gave the blind their sight.

What injuries!

Yet these are why

The Lord most high so cruelly dies.

Here might I stay and sing;

No story so divine,

Never was love, dear king,

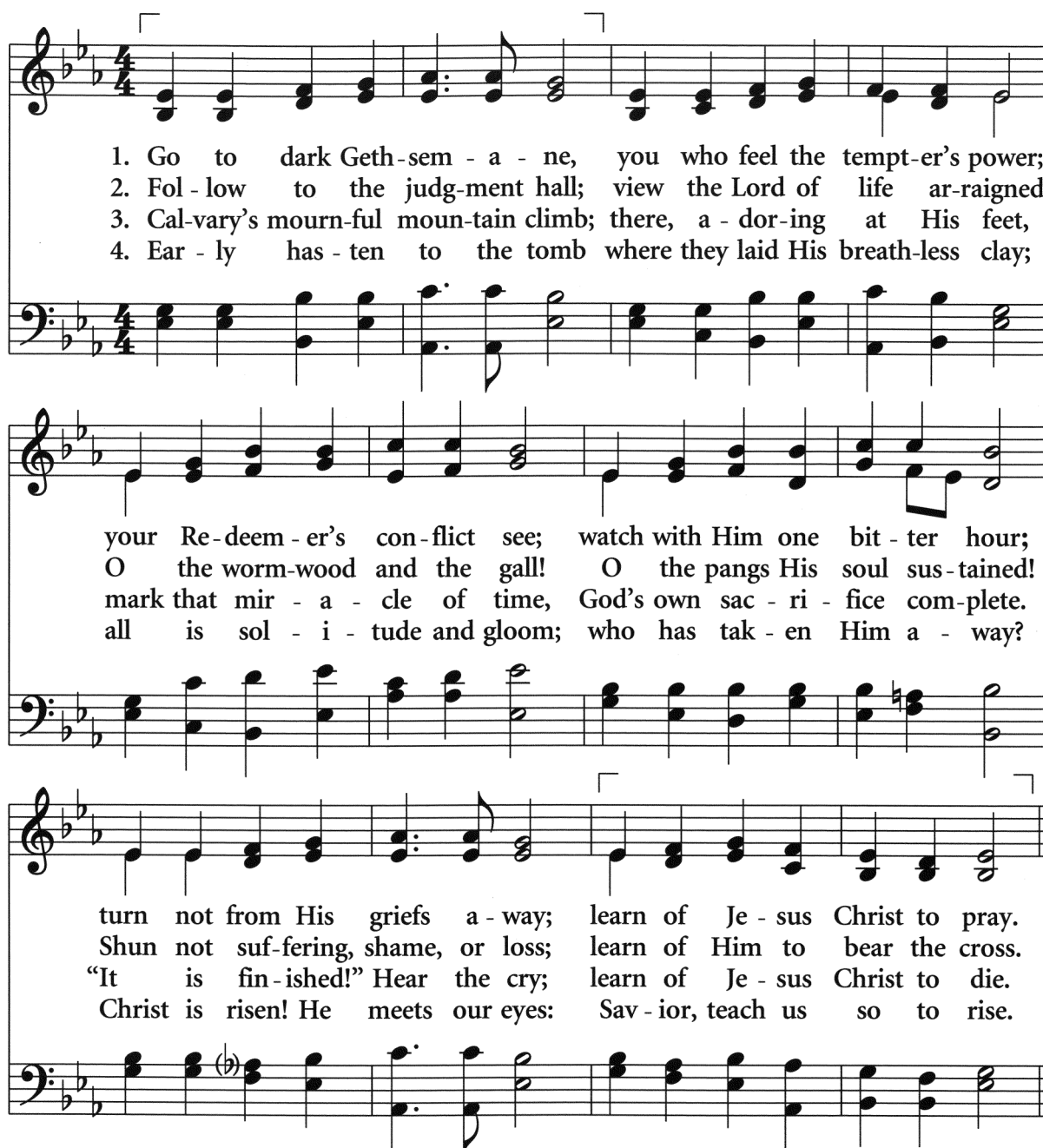
Never was grief like thine.

This is my friend, in whose sweet praise

I all my days could gladly spend!

## Hymn (vv. 1-3)

## Go to Dark Gethsemane



1. Go to dark Geth-sem - a - ne, you who feel the tempt-er's power;  
 2. Fol - low to the judg-ment hall; view the Lord of life ar-raigned;  
 3. Cal-vary's mourn-ful moun-tain climb; there, a - dor-ing at His feet,  
 4. Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb where they laid His breath-less clay;

your Re-deem - er's con - flict see; watch with Him one bit - ter hour;  
 O the worm-wood and the gall! O the pangs His soul sus-tained!  
 mark that mir - a - cle of time, God's own sac - ri - fice com-plete.  
 all is sol - i - tude and gloom; who has tak - en Him a - way?

turn not from His griefs a - way; learn of Je - sus Christ to pray.  
 Shun not suf-fering, shame, or loss; learn of Him to bear the cross.  
 "It is fin-ished!" Hear the cry; learn of Je - sus Christ to die.  
 Christ is risen! He meets our eyes: Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

## Benediction

Rev. Efird

## Postlude

## Lonesome Valley

arr. Eugene Butler

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# Holy Week @ Greenwood Forest

**April 10 (11am) Palm Sunday**

**April 15 (7pm) Good Friday**

**April 17 (11am) Easter Sunday**



## Easter Lilies

You can purchase Easter Lilies and dedications to be printed in the Easter bulletin online at [gfbccary.org/lilies](http://gfbccary.org/lilies).

Deadline Monday, 4/11!



## Egg Hunt

Kids are welcome to join in an egg hunt after worship today!



### ► Save the Date: Business Meeting 4/24

We will be having a church business meeting on Sunday April 24 at 2pm. The meeting will be held virtually. If you need help accessing Zoom to participate, please contact the church office. A link will be sent out on the day of the meeting. Printed reference materials will be available for pickup after worship on the morning of the 24th.

### ► Thank You from Curti & Beck Families

Friends,

Thank you for the many expressions of love and support and words of comfort during Bob's illness and passing. Your actions are so meaningful; and we are grateful for you all.

- Alice Curti, Susan Beck, and Family

### ► Blood Drive Success — Thank you!

With the Lenten virtual blood drive, GFBC members were able to provide enough blood to save 20 lives! We will be hosting an in-person donation event on our campus on June 3. Save the date for our "Be a Hero" Annual Blood Drive!

### ► Senior Pastor Sabbatical

*From the Personnel Committee:*

One of the great traditions and church disciplines of Greenwood Forest Baptist Church is the practice of a minister's sabbatical. Per our church's tradition and policy, every 5 years we provide for a period of intentional sabbatical for our Senior Pastor. The purpose of this period away from normal pastoral duties is for renewal, rest, creative work, professional development, and other experiences in order to reinvigorate the Senior Pastor and enhance their work in ministry at GFBC.

**Rev. Lauren Efird, has served at Greenwood Forest for almost 11 years and is approaching her 6 year anniversary as our Senior Pastor.** Rev. Efird offered to delay her sabbatical in the midst of the height of the COVID-19 pandemic in order to provide necessary leadership for the church. To mark her years of service, **Rev. Efird will start a sabbatical this May lasting for 12 weeks.** The rest of the church staff will be providing coverage of her critical duties during this time and we have an exciting series of voices lined up to fill the pulpit while she is away. We are grateful that Rev. Efird is able to continue this tradition at GFBC and are excited for the experiences she will share with us as a result!



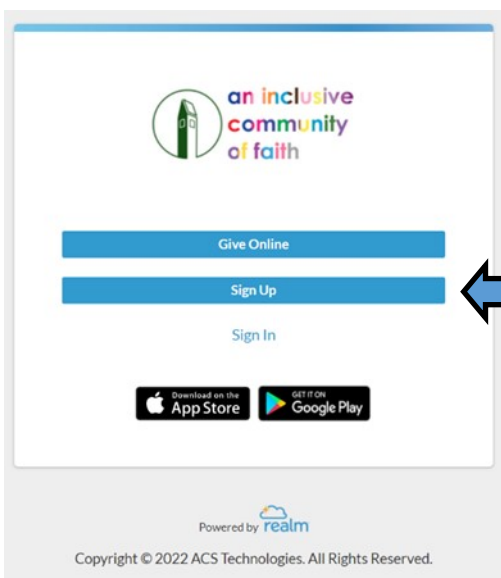
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## We have an exciting new resource just for you!

We're excited to share a great new tool and resource with you to interact with your church! Realm is an online platform (either on your computer or your smartphone) that will give you easy access to everything you need at church. Realm will give you access to your Faith Formation and Small Groups, contact information that church members wish to share with you, signups for events and volunteering, and even discipleship resources for retreats and more! Realm will be a one-stop-shop for Greenwood Forest members to access everything they need at church straight from their computer or smartphone.

## How can you get a Realm account?

Signing up is really easy. Just go to [onrealm.org/GreenwoodForest](https://onrealm.org/GreenwoodForest):



- If you've ever given online and set up an account for that, you already have a Realm account!
- If you don't have an account for giving, just click "Sign Up"! If you're not sure, just click "Sign Up" and it will walk you through the steps to access your account.
- If you have trouble accessing your account or creating one, please email Rev. Spears-Newsome ([wesley.spears-newsome@gfbccary.org](mailto:wesley.spears-newsome@gfbccary.org)).

More information, including a tutorial and FAQ document, is in your email inbox. If you need a copy because you didn't receive one, email Rev. Spears-Newsome.

## ► Prayer List\*

Richard Adair (Janice Medford's brother)  
 Peter Barboriak (Valerie Brooks' friend)  
 Gilles Bikindou  
 Tom Brooks  
 Scott Davenport (friend of the Biser family)  
 Brittany Foster (Kevin Schaefer's friend)  
 Vanna Fox  
 James Mark Frazier (Sue Hughes' brother)  
 The Manning Family at the death of Howard Manning  
 Janet Merriman (Roz Slawson's friend)  
 Sylvia Morgan  
 Kate (Alma Gazzaniga's friend)  
 Jennie Pegram  
 Gerry Ritter  
 Harold Ritter (at the death of his sister-in-law Vonni Ritter)  
 Fred Seeger  
 Marta Whitehouse (Al Whitehouse's mother)  
 Our partners at Ebenezer Baptist, Cuba

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

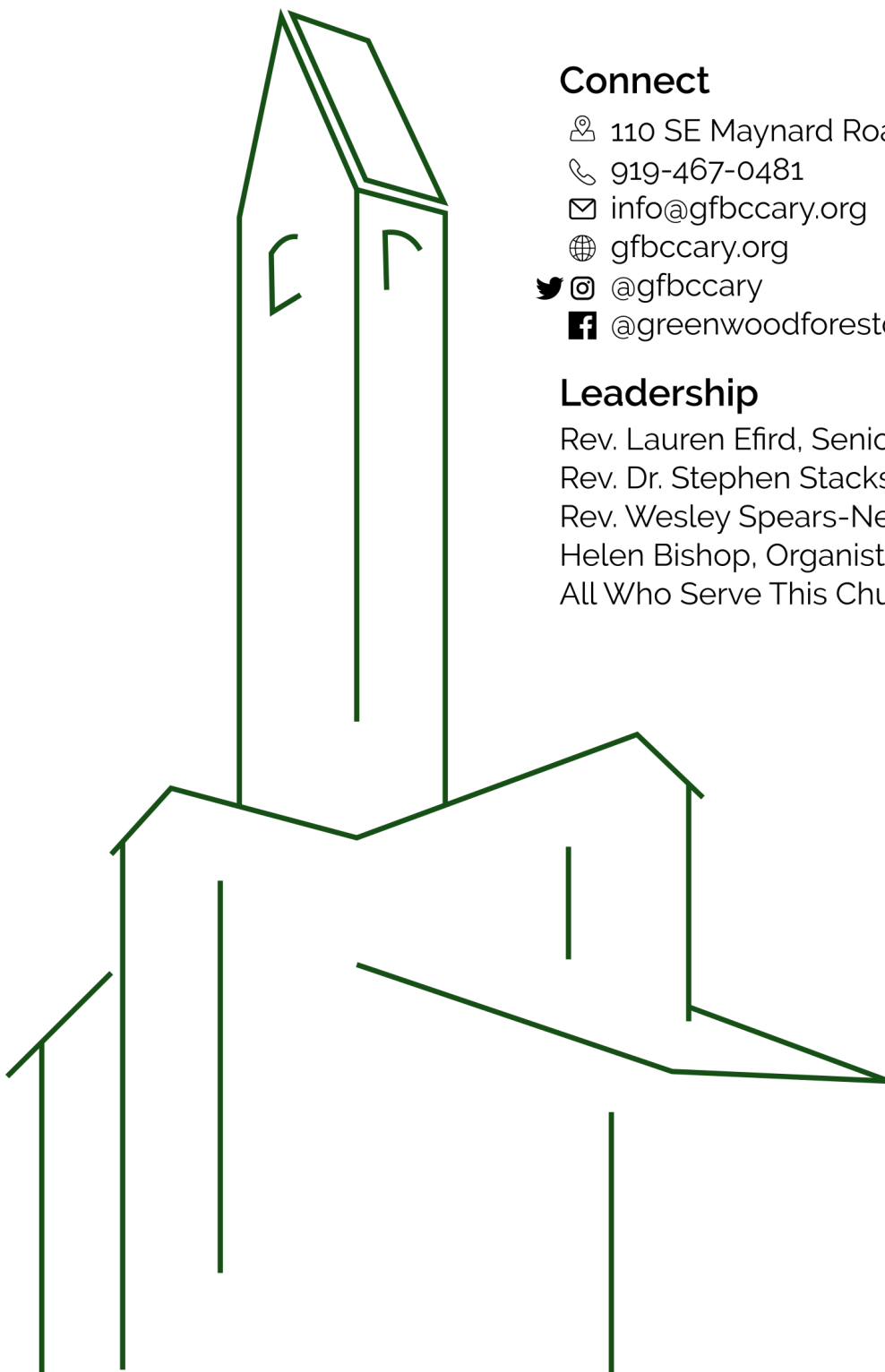
## ► Ways to Tithe

- Set up an automated bank draft by filling out a form requested from the church office, attaching a voided check, and mailing it back to the church office.
- Set up auto pay through your bank using the "Bill Pay" function. Then, your bank will mail a check to the church weekly or monthly.
- Give online through the church website at [gfbccary.org/give](http://gfbccary.org/give).

## ► February 2022 Finance Update

*Updated when the previous months' books close.*

	Feb. 2022	YTD
Congregational Giving	\$45,572	\$283,497
Congregational Giving Target	\$51,000	\$344,180
Congregational Giving Under/Over	(\$5,428)	(\$60,683)
Other Receipts	\$11,105	\$69,522
Total Giving and Receipts	\$56,677	\$353,019
Total Disbursements	\$57,942	\$373,133
Under/Over Receipts vs. Disbursements	(\$1,265)	(\$20,114)
Together We Build Giving	\$11,325	\$133,642



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## Leadership

Rev. Lauren Efird, Senior Pastor

Rev. Dr. Stephen Stacks, Associate Pastor

Rev. Wesley Spears-Newsome, Associate Pastor

Helen Bishop, Organist

All Who Serve This Church