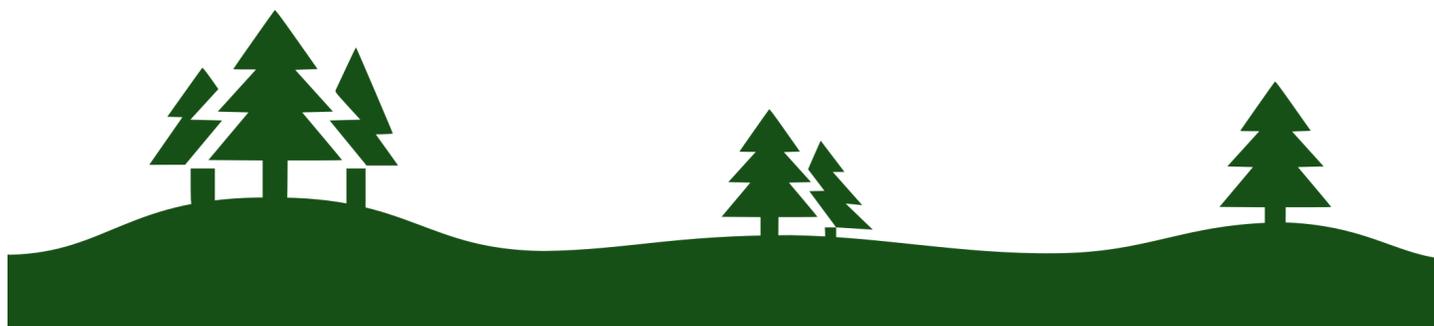


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► Welcome to worship!

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 green to symbolize the creation and growth that takes place in the season after Pentecost.*
- *Hearing assistance devices are available at the back of the sanctuary.*
- *Services are livestreamed and you may end up on camera.*



Scan to give!

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► Backpack Buddies Update

Thank you so much for your continued support of Backpack Buddies during the pandemic. On a weekly basis, we served 100 children over the past two years. This year, we are going to start a church packing group on the first Tuesday of each month at 11am. The first group will be September 6 at 11am. Masks are required. If you'd like to participate in a packing group, please email Judy Vaccaro at judyvaccaro@gmail.com.

Thank you also for your continued financial support of Backpack Buddies. You can become a sustaining giver to Backpack Buddies at gfbccary.org/give.

One child told his teacher that Friday is his favorite day because he gets his pack for the weekend. During this time of economic hardship, you have made a difference.

► 2022-2023 Nominating Process

We are finalizing the 2022-2023 Nominating Process for leadership positions in the upcoming church year. If you receive an email from anyone on the committee, please respond as promptly as you can—and if you haven't been able to figure out where you can serve, contact Rev. Spears-Newsome at wesley.spears-newsome@gfbccary.org.

► Faces of Our Faith Series Continues

We're continuing our series **Faces of our Faith** that takes a look at specific characters in our Scriptures and asks what we can learn from them. This week, Rev. Marie Collins-Maingi will preach about the Roman Centurion in Luke. Next week, Rev. Al Whitehouse will conclude the series with a message about Peter and Paul. Thank you to our guest preachers who have served during Rev. Efrid's sabbatical!

► GFBC Golf Tournament Returns

You can register for our annual charity golf tournament (September 12) at gfbccary.org/golf. Sign up your team and come join us! Proceeds benefit the GFBC Organ Fund this year. If you cannot play, but would like to become a sponsor for the event, please contact Rev. Stacks at stephen.stacks@gfbccary.org!

► Business Meeting on August 21

There will be a regular business meeting via Zoom on August 21 at 2pm, the primary focus of which will be votes on the 2022-2023 budget and nominating slate. Please plan to be in attendance!



Order of Worship

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven arr. Albert Mendoza

Welcome to Worship Rev. Wesley Spears-Newsome

Leader: The Lord be with you!

People: And also with you!

Passing of the Peace

Call to Worship (Psalm 103:1-8) Leanne Glasgow

Leader: Bless the LORD, O my soul!

People: And all that is within me, bless God's holy name!

Leader: Bless the LORD, O my soul!

People: And do not forget all God's benefits—

Leader: Who forgives all our iniquity,

People: Who heals all our diseases,

Leader: Who redeems our life from the Pit,

People: Who crowns us with steadfast love and mercy,

Leader: Who satisfies us with good as long as we live

People: So that our youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Leader: The Lord works vindication and justice,

People: For all who are oppressed.

Leader: God's ways were made known to Moses,

People: God's acts to the people of Israel.

Leader: The Lord is merciful and gracious,

People: Slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Invocation Leanne Glasgow

Gathering Hymn (vv. 1-2; pg. 5) I Will Sing the Wondrous Story

Offertory Prayer Anthony Warren

Presentation of the Offering OLD HUNDREDTH

Transcendent God, we bless your name,
Incarnate Christ, the risen one,
The Spirit with us, Immanent,
The Source, the Word, the Breath of Life! Amen.

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.

Hymn (pg. 7)

We Cannot Measure How You Heal

Scripture Reading

Luke 7:1-10

Sarah and Samuel Walden

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

Wounded Healer

The Followers

Foolishness strips the soul of it's light
We foolishly slipped cause we were all blind
But in to the dark You brought in the light
But light without sight is perpetual night
Wounded healer, please

Give us light, give us vision
Give us love, give us mission
Give us courage, give us power
Give us righteousness for this hour

Give us joy, give us faith
Give us life that we can taste
Give us the cross, Jesus give us you
We are channels of love that flow from you
We are filled with your spirit
who makes all things new
We are broken bread and poured out wine
Your kingdom come release through our lives
Wounded Healer, please

Sermon

The Roman Centurion

Rev. Marie Collins-Maingi

Hymn (pg. 9)

For Everyone Born

Benediction

Rev. Collins-Maingi

Postlude

Come Just as You Are

arr. Stan Pethel

Leanne Glasgow is leading the hymns today.

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I Will Sing the Wondrous Story

1. I will sing the wondrous story of the
2. I was bruised, but Je - sus healed me; faint was
3. He will keep me till the riv - er rolls its

Christ who died for me: how He left His home in
I from man - ya fall; sight was gone, and fears pos -
wa - ters at my feet; then He'll bear me safe - ly

glo - ry for the cross of Cal - va - ry.
sessed me, but He freed me from them all.
o - ver, where the loved ones I shall meet.

I was lost, but Je - sus found me, found the sheep that
Days of dark - ness still come o'er me, sor - row's paths I
Yes, I'll sing the wondrous sto - ry of the Christ who

went a - stray, threw His lov - ing arms a -
of - ten tread, but the Sav - ior still is
died for me, sing it with the saints in

round me, drew me back in - to His way.
with me; by His hand I'm safe - ly led.
glo - ry, gath - ered by the crys - tal sea.

We Cannot Measure How You Heal

Unison

1. We can - not meas - ure how You heal or
 2. The pain that will not go a - way, the
 3. So some have come who need Your help and

an - swer ev - ery suf - ferer's prayer, yet
 guilt that clings from things long past, the
 some have come to make a - mends, as

we be - lieve Your grace re - sponds where
 fear of what the fu - ture holds, are
 hands which shaped and saved the world are

faith and doubt u - nite to care. Your
 pres - ent as if meant to last. But
 pres - ent in the touch of friends. Lord,

hands, though blood - ied on the cross, sur -
 pres - ent too is love which tends the
 let - Your Spir - it meet us here to

vive to hold and heal and warn, to
 hurt we nev - er hoped to find, the
 mend the bod - y, mind, and soul, to

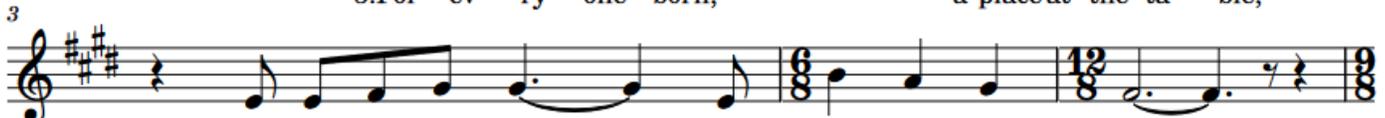
car - ry all through death to life and
 pri - vate ag - o - nies in - side, the
 dis - en - tan - gle peace from pain, and

cra - dle chil - dren yet un - born.
 mem - o - ries that haunt the mind.
 make Your bro - ken peo - ple whole.

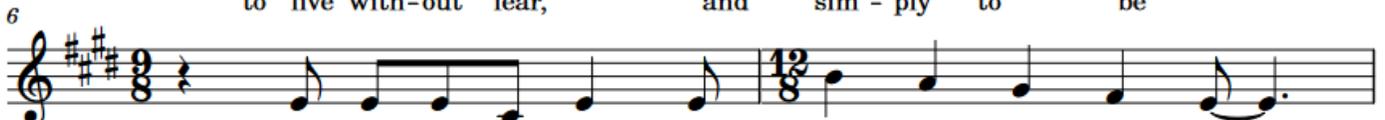
For Everyone Born



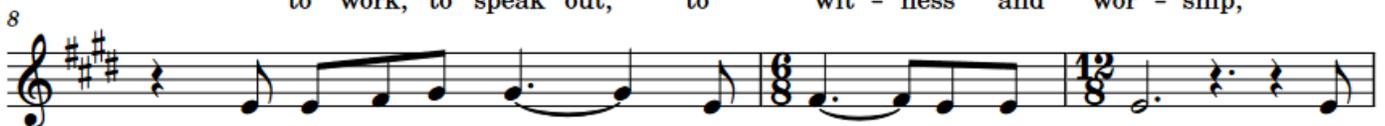
1. For ev' - ry - one born, a place at the ta - ble,
 2. For wo - man and man, a place at the ta - ble,
 3. For young and for old, a place at the ta - ble,
 4. For gay and for straight, a place at the ta - ble,
 5. For ev' - ry - one born, a place at the ta - ble,



for ev' - ry - one born, clean wa - ter and bread,
 re - vis - ing the roles, de - cid - ing the share,
 a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
 a co - ve - nant shared, a wel - com - ing space,
 to live with - out fear, and sim - ply to be



a shel - ter a space, a safe place for grow - ing,
 with wis - dom and grace, di - vid - ing the po - wer,
 the hands of a child in hands that are wrink - led
 a rain - bow of race and gen - der and co - lor,
 to work, to speak out, to wit - ness and wor - ship,



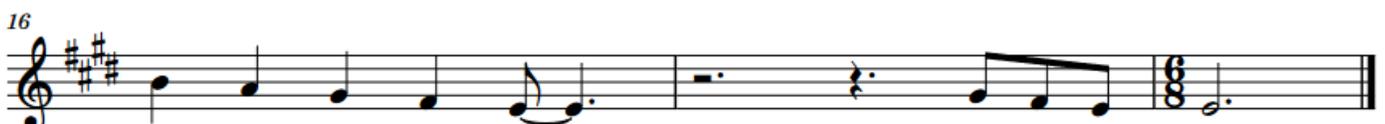
for ev' - ry - one born, a star o - ver - head, and
 for wo - man and man, a sys - tem that's fair, and
 for young and for old, the right to be - long, and
 for gay and for straight, the cha - lice of grace, and
 for ev' - ry - one born, the right to be free, and



God will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice and joy com -



pas - sion and peace: yes, God will de-light when we are cre -



a - tors of jus - tice, jus - tice and joy!

PRAYPRAYPRAYPRAY

► Prayer List*

Richard Adair (Janice Medford's brother)
 Nell Allen
 Peter Barboriak (Valerie Brooks' friend)
 Gilles Bikindou
 Scott Davenport (friend of the Biser family)
 Elaine Dodson
 Vanna Fox
 James Mark Frazier (Sue Hughes' brother)
 Angela Nevils-Harris (Martha Soyars' cousin)
 Jennie Pegram
 Karen Peter (Virgil and Gail Jones' friend)
 Harold Ritter
 Fred Seeger
 Greg Upchurch
 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.*

GIVEGIVEGIVEGIVE

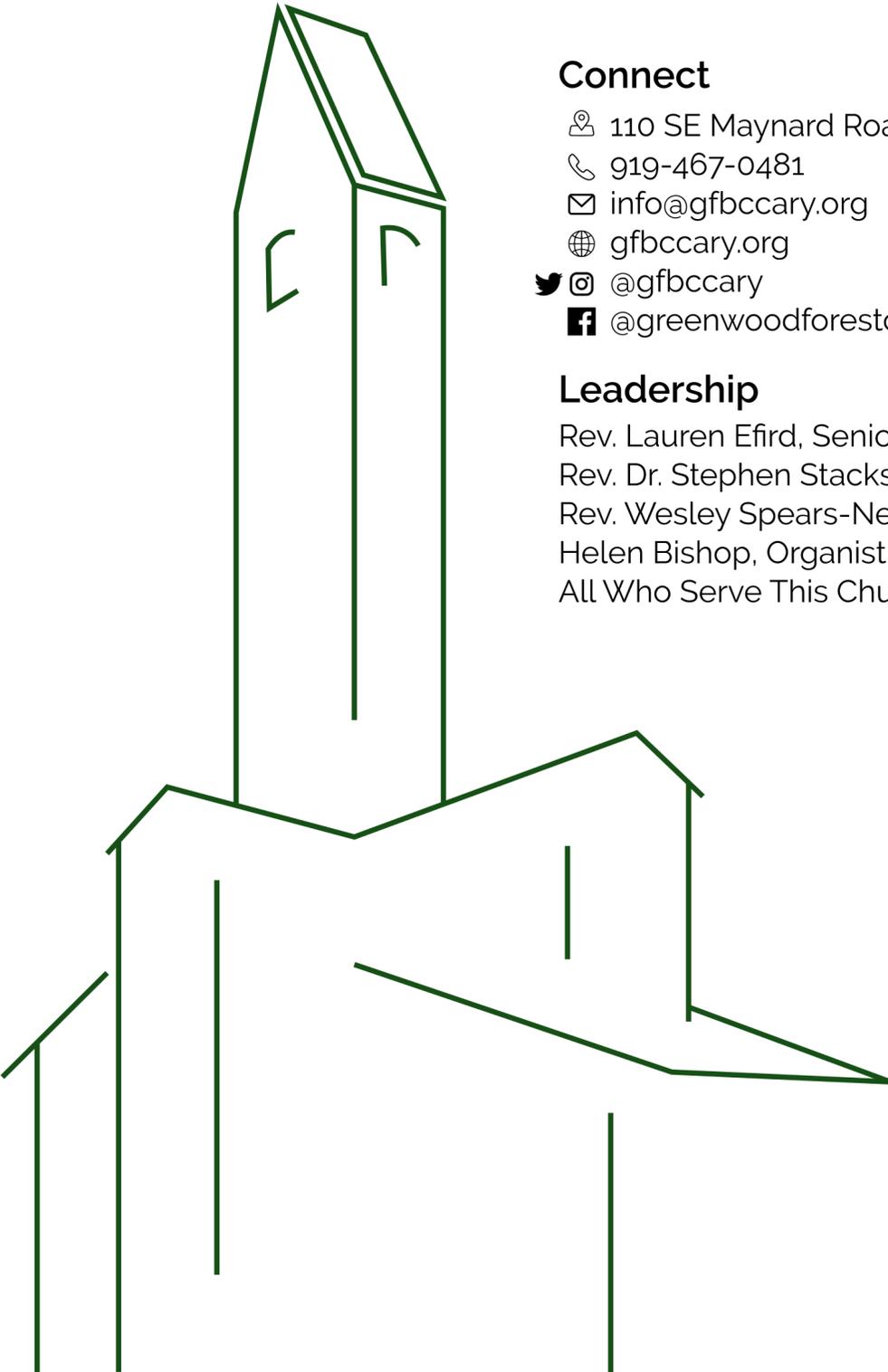
► Ways to Tithe

- 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.

► July 2022 Finance Update

Updated when the previous months' books close.

	July 2022	YTD
Congregational Giving	\$68,349	\$533,506
Congregational Giving Target	\$63,750	\$624,680
Congregational Giving Under/Over	\$4,599	(\$91,174)
Other Receipts	\$8,735	\$107,297
Total Giving and Receipts	\$77,084	\$640,803
Total Disbursements	\$54,316	\$671,456
Under/Over Receipts vs. Disbursements	\$22,768	(\$30,653)
Together We Build Giving	\$16,860	\$185,322



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Helen Bishop, Organist

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