



Greenwood Forest
Baptist Church





GREENWOOD FOREST BAPTIST CHURCH

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost | Livestreamed Service

August 9, 2020

Welcome to Greenwood Forest!

We are so glad you've chosen to join us this week. GFBC 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.

We would love to get to know you and for you to get to know us better. Follow us on social media or visit gfbccary.org to learn more.

Welcome to worship!

**an inclusive
community
of faith**

Chiming of the Hour

◆ Gathering Hymn (v. 1 & 4)

Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

Capo 3: (D) (Bm) (G)
F Dm B \flat

1 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken by the Gal - i -
 2 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken in a qui - et
 3 Loaves are bro - ken, words are spo - ken, as in faith we
 4 By the loaves you break and give us, send us in your

(D) (Bm)
F Dm

le - an shore. Je - sus, Bread of Life from heav - en, was their
 room one night. In the bread and wine you gave them, Christ, you
 gath - er here. Je - sus speaks a - cross the a - ges: "I am
 name to share bread for which the mil - lions hun - ger, words that

(G) (D) (A)
B \flat F C

food for - ev - er - more.
 came as Light from Light. By your bod - y bro - ken
 with you; do not fear!"
 tell your love and care.

(Bm) (F \sharp m) (Bm) (G) (A) (D)
Dm Am Dm B \flat C F

for us, by your wine of life out-poured, Je - sus, feed a -

(Bm) (G) (D)
Dm B \flat F

gain your peo - ple. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

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 (Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21)

Rev. Dr. Stephen Stacks

Leader: The Lord is gracious and merciful,

People: Slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Leader: The Lord is good to all,

People: And God's compassion is over all that God has made.

Leader: The Lord upholds all who are falling,

People: And raises up all who are bowed down.

Leader: The eyes of all look to you,

People: And you give them their food in due season.

Leader: You open your hand,

People: Satisfying the desire of every living thing.

Leader: You are just in all your ways,

People: And kind in all your doings.

Leader: You are near to all who call on you,

People: To all who call on you in truth.

Leader: You fulfill the desire of all who fear you;

People: You also hear their cry, and save them.

Leader: You watch over all who love you,

People: But all the wicked you will destroy.

Leader: My mouth will speak your praise,

People: And all flesh will bless your holy name forever and ever.

Invocation

Rev. Dr. Stacks

1. Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees, (on our knees,
 2. Let us drink the cup to - geth - er on our knees, (on our knees,
 3. Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees, (on our knees,)

let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees;
 let us drink the cup to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees;
 let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees; (on our knees;)

when I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing sun,

O Lord, have mer - cy on me. (on me.)

Offertory Prayer

Felice Parent

◆ Presentation of the Offering

OLD 100TH

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

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.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dr. Stacks

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

Matthew 14:13-21

Rev. Efird

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

All Who Hunger Gather Gladly

arr. Stephen Stacks

All who hunger, gather gladly;
Holy manna is our bread.
Come from wilderness and wandering,
Here, in truth, we will be fed.
You that yearn for days of fullness,
All around us is our food.
Taste and see the grace eternal!
Taste and see that God is good!

All who hunger, never strangers;
Seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming,
Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
We that once were lost and scattered
In communion's love have stood.
Taste and see the grace eternal!
Taste and see that God is good!

All who hunger, sing together;
Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing,
Here, in peace, we have been led.
Blest are those who from this table
Live their lives in gratitude.
Taste and see the grace eternal!
Taste and see that God is good!

Sermon

You Give Them Something to Eat!

Rev. Efird

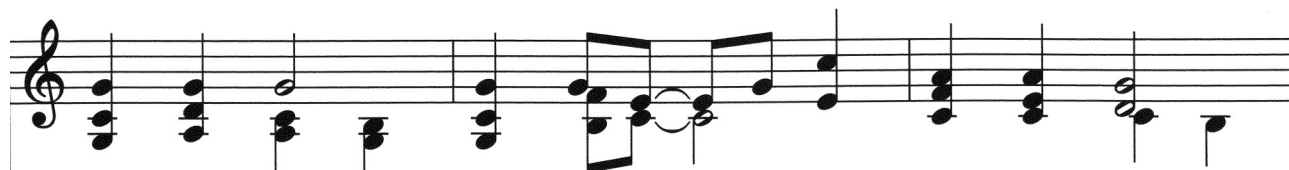
Celebration of Communion

Be sure to have your own communion elements ready at this time.

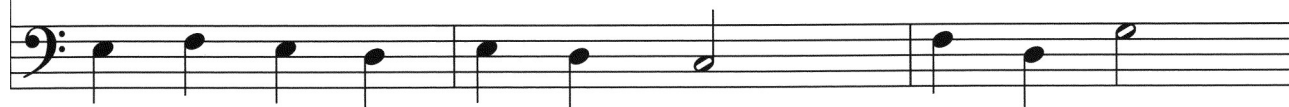
Unison



1. Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a
 2. Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble He
 3. Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a



shout of joy; bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured,
 set the tone, teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless,
 world of doubt, gives us love to tell, bread to share:



Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard. Je - sus lives a - gain,
 love in word and in deed ex - press. God (Im - man - u - el) ev - ery - where.



earth can breathe a - gain, pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!



◆ **Benediction**

Rev. Efirid

◆ **Postlude**

Fuga IV

Charles Zeuner

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Focus on Community

Prayer Concerns

Emma Aeppli

Jim Allen

Nell Allen

Peter Barboriak

(Valerie Brooks' friend)

Gilles Bikindou

Kitty Blanton

Marjorie Floyd

James Mark Frazier

(Sue Hughes' brother)

Sharon Guenther

Janet Merriman

(Roz Slawson's friend)

John and Sylvia Morgan

Sara McMillan Perkinson

*(Leon and Sue Perkinson's
daughter-in-law)*

Miriam Rodriguez

(Roz Slawson's sister)

Fred Seeger

Allison Smith

Dave Thomas

Alison Zieglmeier

Our partner church,

Ebenezer Baptist, Cuba

Announcements and Updates

Church Business Meeting | August 16

Please mark your calendars for a Church Business Meeting next Sunday, August 16 at 6pm. The meeting will be conducted via Zoom with details soon to follow. We will be voting on the 2020-2021 Budget and Nominating Slate.

Antiracist Reading Groups

Our antiracist reading groups are completing their reading of *Me and White Supremacy* by Layla Saad, and are preparing to begin *How to Be an Antiracist* by Ibram X. Kendi. If you are interested in joining us, now would be an excellent time. We will begin reading *How to Be an Antiracist* on August 12, so please email Rev. Stacks at stephen.stacks@gfbccary.org by today, Sunday, August 9 if you would like to participate.

Backpack Buddies Update

Due to the ongoing hunger crisis resulting from the pandemic, the Backpack Buddies program will not be going on hiatus this summer. Because the program is continuing beyond its normal end date, we will need new packers, food purchasers, deliverers, and new double-bagged plastic bags to deliver food. Groups for any of these roles are still limited to families that are already exposed to one another on a regular basis so that we can keep our volunteers safe. If you or your family would like to serve in any of these roles or you have plastic bags you'd like to donate, please contact Karen Upchurch at kaupchurch@gmail.com.

Faith Formation via Zoom

In addition to the upcoming antiracist reading groups, some of our Faith Formation classes are meeting via Zoom. Special Studies is meeting Mondays at 2pm, Crossroads is meeting Sundays at 9:30am, and Agape is meeting at various times on Sundays. The Kindergarten through Fifth Grade Faith Formation Class meets twice a month. Contact your Faith Formation leadership for more details.

Update from the Stewardship Ministry

Dear Congregation,

Our church's work and outreach continue, even if we cannot be physically together. Thanks to all of you who have continued to send your tithes by mail or online – and a big thanks to all of you who have switched to regular online giving. If you have any questions about sending in your gifts – or setting up online giving – please contact the church office or see the details later in this bulletin.

Please consider giving an extra gift before the end of the month of August to help us close our 2019-2020 budget gap. With your help, we can finish the year strong!

In Peace, Elizabeth Biser, Stewardship Deacon



ONE Wake

ONE WAKE –GET OUT THE VOTE 2020!

As you know, Greenwood Forest Baptist Church is an active member of ONE Wake, a broad-based community organization dedicated to bettering the lives of all kinds of families in Wake County. ONE Wake is made up of a coalition of institutions dedicated to work for its members by involving a diversity of people in non-partisan activities. A list of member organizations is given below and more information can be found at www.ONEWake.org.

ONE Wake Member Institutions

Antioch Bible Fellowship
Baptist Grove Church
Bazzel Creek MBC
Beth Shalom
Cary First Christian Church
Christ the King Lutheran Church
Church of the Good Shepherd
Common Threads
Dorcas Ministries
Eastern Wake Ministers Alliance
Raleigh First Baptist Church
First UMC Cary
Friendship Chapel Baptist Church
Good Shepherd UCC
Greenwood Forest Baptist Church
Iglesia Fiesta Cristiana
Islamic Association of Raleigh

Macedonia New Life Church
Open Table UMC
Pleasant Grove MBC
Pleasant Grove Church, Cary
Pullen Memorial Baptist Church
Raleigh Mennonite
Southeast Raleigh Table
St. Ambrose Episcopal Church
St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church
St. John's Baptist Church
St. John's Episcopal Church
St. Mark's Episcopal Church
St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Tapestry Church
The Fountain of Raleigh
UU Fellowship of Raleigh
Watts Chapel MBC

ONE Wake has been active this year in an attempt to lessen the harsh impacts of the Coronavirus on folks who are struggling more now than ever before. One of its most recent successes was supporting the allocation of over \$7 million dollars in emergency federal funds to be used for homeless families and families needing housing assistance in Wake County. ONE Wake also supported the RIMA (Raleigh Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance) walk in downtown Raleigh following the murders of George Floyd and others at the hands of police.

The current initiative being undertaken by ONE Wake focuses on our readiness to vote in the upcoming 2020 election. Each member institution wants to support 100 percent voter registration in its own organization and to encourage everyone to develop a plan for voting in the upcoming election. For members of GFBC who are not already registered to vote, ONE Wake Core team members can help you register electronically. If you have questions, you can reach out to Leta Huntsinger (letabird@bellsouth.net) or any other member of the Core Team (Beth Jernigan, Greg Upchurch, Vivian Denning, Randy Palmer, Gerry Ritter, Mark Soyars, Judy Vaccaro, Meg Spears-Newsome, or Jazzmone' Sutton).

In an effort to reach beyond our church family, we would like to encourage everyone to reach out to five members of your own social network to make sure that they are registered to vote and have a plan (either in person or via absentee ballot) to vote.

The GET OUT THE VOTE efforts by GFBC Core Team members and other member institutions will be tracked electronically by ONE Wake and the results can be viewed at www.ONEWake.org/voterreg. A member of the GFBC Core team may be contacting you soon either via email, text, or telephone in our attempt to support the **GET OUT THE VOTE** initiative, but don't wait. If you have questions, you can reach out to one of the Core Team today.

Stay tuned for more!

Update from the Finance Ministry

2019-2020 Budget:	\$864,000
Amount supported through stewardship giving:	\$804,000

	<i>This Week</i>	<i>YTD</i>
Total Giving	\$ 16,594	\$ 987,999
Less Together We Build Giving	\$ 420	\$ 294,506
Less Other Designated Giving	<u>\$ 844</u>	<u>\$ 45,009</u>
Actual Stewardship Giving	\$ 15,330	\$ 648,484
Stewardship Giving needed to fully subscribe budget	<u>\$ 14,533</u>	<u>\$ 745,867</u>
Over (Under)	\$ 797	\$ (97,383)

Way to Give at GFBC

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 among us especially during this pandemic.

Ways to tithe:

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

Together, we can make sure that Greenwood Forest can continue to serve our community for years to come!



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- New Draft
- Replace Existing Draft
- Cancel Draft

Effective 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.

Financial Institution Information

Financial Institution Name: _____

Routing Number: _____ (9 digits on bottom left corner of check)

Account Number: _____ Type: Checking Savings

Account Information

Account Holder Name(s): _____

Full Mailing Address _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Debit Account Every: Month Twice a Month Week

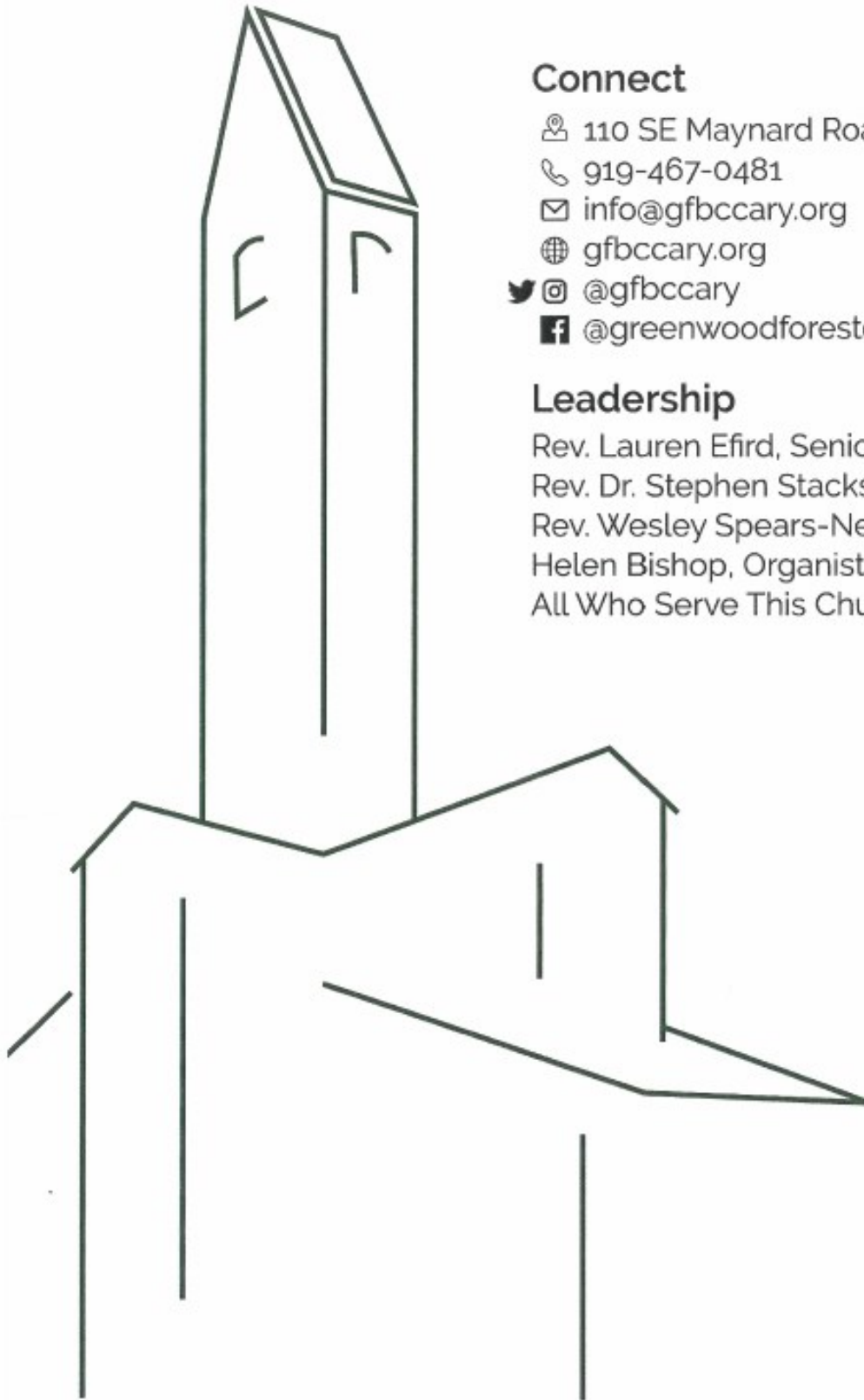
- If weekly, what day of the week: _____ (If on a holiday, debit occurs day before)
- If non-weekly, what date(s) of the month: _____

Amount of Each Debit: \$ _____

- Stewardship Giving Portion: \$ _____
- Designated Giving to : _____ Portion: \$ _____
- Designated Giving to : _____ Portion: \$ _____
- Designated Giving to : _____ Portion: \$ _____

Please attach a voided check to this document.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



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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
