

You are beautifully and wonderfully made!



Greenwood Forest Baptist Church



an inclusive community of faith

Welcome

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, citizenship statuses, ages, abilities, and backgrounds. We are each beloved by God and we are happy to welcome you to our church exactly as you are.

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Reminders



Nursery care is available for infants and toddlers. There is also a glider in the back of the sanctuary if you need to rock your little ones.



Hearing assistance devices, transcripts of the sermon, and large print bulletins are available at the back of the sanctuary.



Services are livestreamed and you may end up on camera.



Gender-neutral, single-occupant bathrooms are located at the back of the sanctuary in the Narthex.



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Announcements | Church Events and Updates

Upcoming Fellowship Events

The Fellowship Committee is excited for you to join us for any of the upcoming family-friendly events in the Spring and Summer:

June 14 (4-6pm) | Picnic in GFBC Courtyard (BBQ provided, bring your favorite side dish or dessert!)

July 15 (6-8pm) | Game Night at GFBC (bring your favorite game and your dinner; desserts provided!)

Join Us Today For Summer Choir

During the summer, instead of rehearsing on Wednesday evenings, the Sanctuary Choir gathers for a potluck lunch once a month following Sunday worship and rehearses the anthems for upcoming Sundays. We enjoy each other's company and sing lots of fun music. It's a great time to join if you would like to try singing in the choir! Childcare will be available. Our potluck/rehearsal dates for the summer are **today, July 19**, and **August 16**. We'd love to see you there!

New Giving Platform

On June 15, we will transition to a new giving platform. If you currently have a recurring online gift, please contact Alex at alex.filby@gfbccary.org as soon as possible to transfer your recurring gift to the new platform.

GFBC 101

If you're new (or even new-ish!) to Greenwood Forest and want to learn more and get involved, GFBC 101 is for you! Following worship on **July 5** or **August 2**, we'll have a lunch and afternoon retreat that orients participants to the values, history, and community of the church. Participants only need to attend one of the sessions (both are the same content). Sign up at gfbccary.org/101 and email Rev. Spears-Newsome if you have questions.

Love Makes a Family- Pride Month Art Event

Join us after worship on **Sunday, June 21st** for the official public opening of *Love Makes a Family*- an art series installed in collaboration with the Family Diversity Project. This event will feature a presentation by speakers Tam Burwell and Josef Wolf Burwell (Founding Director of Peacework Medical Projects). Join us as we showcase *Queer* families and celebrate the joy of community. Light refreshments available.

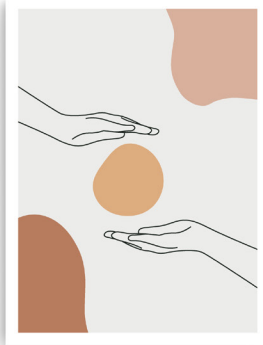
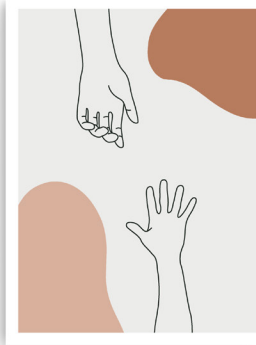
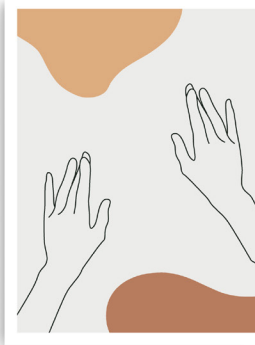
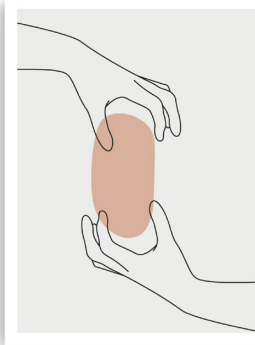
Neighborhood Summer Program Volunteering

Each year, we partner with the Kirk of Kildaire and Cary Presbyterian Churches to serve our neighborhood children with summer enrichment programs while they are out of school for the summer. The program runs Tuesday through Thursday from 8:30am-12pm at the Kirk beginning on June 16. Volunteers are needed to assist teachers with art, music, and other activities (not to lead them!) You do not need to bring anything or have any specific experience, just come and help with students and teachers! You can sign up for a day to serve here: <https://tinyurl.com/4c3yss2w>. If you have questions, reach out to Rev. Spears-Newsome.

Diaper Drive

We are hosting a Diaper Drive through Sunday, June 21! Donations support families in Wake County through the Diaper Train of NC. Most needed: diaper sizes 4, 5, 6, and pull-ups (opened packages accepted), plus unopened wipes and new or gently used board books. Donation box is in the sanctuary foyer. Questions? Contact Leanne Ritter at 919-274-5351. Thank you for your support!

Community Notes | Prayer Requests and Giving



Prayer

Please keep in prayer these members of our community and their friends and family. To add a name to the prayer list, please contact the church office. Names rotate off and can be re-added upon request.

Bess Averre
Jo Brooks
Carolyn Camp
Linda Chappell
Rick Hollings (Mary Whitehouse's father)
Kathy and Lee Taylor
Nancy Watson
Steven (friend of GFBC)
The Wicker Family (at the death of Kathleen Wicker)
Our partners at Ebenezer Baptist in Cuba

Giving

All of the ministries of Greenwood Forest Baptist Church are supported by members of our community like you. Thank you! Supporting us is easy. You can:

- Give online at gfbccary.org/give
- Place your gift in the offering plate before or after worship.
- Set up an automated bank draft through the church office.
- Set up a recurring gift through your bank's "bill pay" function.

A monthly finance update is available in the weekly church email. If you're not receiving our weekly email and would like to, please contact the church office.



Scan to Give
Online Today!

Order of Worship | Second Sunday after Pentecost

✝ This icon indicates an invitation to stand or express reverence however you see fit.

📖 This icon indicates a worship aid is available in the righthand column.

🎵 Hymns and song lyrics are available in the songbook following the Order of Worship.

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude | Morning Has Broken | arr. Lani Smith

Welcome to Worship | Rev. Lauren Hayes

Leader: The Lord be with you!

People: And also with you!

Passing of the Peace 📖

Call to Worship (From Enfleshed) 📖

Listen! Listen for the voice of God, naming us all: Holy.
Beloved. Cherished. Valued.

We believe you delight in us!

Make us people who recognize and proclaim your beauty
and goodness in unexpected places.

Surprise us. Challenge us. Transform us.

We trust in you to reveal to us the sacredness of every life, of
every way of being, of every manifestation of the Spirit.

May it be so as we worship Holy God!

Invocation | Diana McGahan

✝ **Hymn** | Draw the Circle Wide (pg. 8-9)

Offertory Prayer | Rev. Evan Owoc-Edwards

Offertory | Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult | arr. Don Hustad

Today's color is **green**,
representing spiritual growth.

The pastors are wearing rainbow
stoles in honor of **Pride Month**.

The Passing of the Peace


The passing of the peace is
a symbolic enactment of the
reconciling love and mercy of
God in our midst, expressed
through a peace sign, a
handshake, a wave, conversation,
etc. We hope you will take
the time to greet and speak
with those around you or with
someone you haven't met!

Prayer in Worship

We use many kinds of prayers
in worship. The Call to Worship
is a communal prayer using call
and response. The Invocation
is a single individual inviting (or
invoking) God into our worship
this morning. The Prayers of
the People uses intercessory
prayer to ask God to come to
the world's aid. The benediction
is a blessing offered over those
gathered in worship.

The Offertory

During the offertory music, we
pass plates across the pews as
a way to make our collective
offering to God and the
wellbeing of this community. A
short doxology follows as we
offer our gifts.

† **Doxology** | Tune: 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 | Nathan Bullock
Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

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. Lead us not
into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is
the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.

† **Hymn** | Impartial, Compassionate God of All Lives (pg. 10)

Reading | Matthew 9:9-13 | Rev. Hayes

The word of God for us, the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Anthem | His Eye Is on the Sparrow | arr. Timothy Evans (pg. 7)

Sermon | Rev. Spears-Newsome

Communion 

Prayer of Confession: **Merciful God, we confess that we
have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be obedient disciples.
We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have
broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we've not loved our neighbors,
and we've not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us for what we have done and for
what we've left undone, and free us for joyful obedience through Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen.**

Mystery of Faith: **Christ has died, Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

† **Hymn** | I Come With Joy (pg. 11) 

† **Benediction** | Rev. Hayes

Postlude | For the Fruit of All Creation | arr. Jane Holstein

The Prayers of the People

This prayer typically has five parts: a confession, prayers for the earth, prayers for the world, prayers for the church, and prayers for those with needs in our own community.

* = In the Lord's Prayer, you may say any name for God (e.g., Mother/Father/Parent).

Communion

During Communion, we gather around the table as Christ showed us, to remember and give thanks. We have an open table—all who wish to take Communion are invited. We practice intinction, which means you receive a piece of bread and dip it in the cup. A gluten-free option is available on the altar

Thank You!

Our hymn leader today is
Leanne Glasgow.

Anthem | His Eye Is on the Sparrow

arr. Timothy Evans

Why should I feel discouraged?
Why should the shadows come?
Why should my heart be lonely
And long for heav'n and home,
When Jesus is my portion?
My constant friend is he:
His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know he watches me;
His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know he watches me.

“Let not your heart be troubled.”
His tender word I hear,
And resting on his goodness,
I lose my doubt and fear.
Though by the path he leadeth,
But one step I may see:
His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know he watches me;
His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know he watches me.

Whenever I am tempted,
Whenever clouds arise,
When songs give place to sighing,
When hope within me dies,
I draw me closer to Jesus;
From care he sets me free:
His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know he watches me;
His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know he watches me.

I sing because I'm happy—
I sing because I'm free—
For his eye is on the sparrow,
And I know he watches me.

Draw the Circle Wide

DRAW THE CIRCLE Irregular

D G/D D G/D

Draw the cir - cle, draw the cir - cle wide. Draw the cir - cle,

G A D G A

draw the cir - cle wide. No one stands a-lone, we'll stand side by

Bm E Em A

1	2
D	D D/C#

side. Draw the cir-cle, draw the cir-cle wide. wide.

Bm7 Gmaj7 A D

Draw the cir-cle wide, draw it wid-er still. Let this

Bm7 Gmaj7 E A D G D/F#

be our song: no one stands a-lone. Stand-ing side by side,

F# Bm G A7

1	2
D	D/C# D

draw the cir-cle, draw the cir-cle wide. wide.

G/D D A/D D

Draw the cir-cle wide, draw it wid-er still. Let this

G D E A D G D/F#

be our song: no one stands a-lone. Stand-ing side by side,

Repeat as desired
F# Bm G A D

draw the cir-cle, draw the cir-cle wide.

Last time
F# Bm D/A F# Bm E

draw the cir-cle, draw the cir-cle wide. Draw the

Em *molto rit.* G A D

cir-cle, draw the cir-cle wide.

Impartial, Compassionate God

1. Im - par - tial, com - pass - ion - ate God of all lives,
 2. Un - ho - ly, un - just - i - fied fear we in - cite,
 3. Cre - a - tor of beau - ty, we stand not in pride,
 4. Our hope is your free - dom for both great and small,
 5. All hon - or - we give you, O help us to see,

in Christ you have shown us your love ac - tual - ized,
 when we shun our neigh - bors yet cling to our rights.
 we do not as - sume you will stay on our side.
 to strive for per - fec - tion and know all means all.
 your chil - dren are wor - thy to claim vic - to - ry.

in - car - nate and weak in the arms of the poor,
 Your chil - dren still wan - der the streets left in pain,
 For yours is the sa - cred, un - tar - nished by sin,
 We chal - lenge and quest - ion each law with - out grace,
 And so let our ac - tions flow out of our praise,

de - stroy - ing all sys - tems that keep closed the door.
 we pass laws a - gainst them to prove our dis - dain.
 a re - fuge for out - casts that all may come in.
 af - firm - ing the im - age of Christ on each face.
 to seek trans - for - ma - tion, your Kin - dom to raise.

I Come With Joy

Unison

1. I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved and
 2. I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are
 3. As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion
 4. The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er
 5. To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has

free, the life of Je - sus to re - call, in
 fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in
 ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and
 near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -
 done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the

love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.
 Christ's com - mun - ion bread, in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.
 stran - gers now are friends, and stran - gers now are friends.
 live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.
 love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.



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