

LENT



March 27, 2022
Fourth Sunday in Lent

SUNDAY BULLETIN

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*Indicates time to rise as you are able.

We Gather

Prelude	Make You Feel My Love - Lyn Wasilewski
Welcome	Rev. Doug Cederberg
*Opening Hymn	<p>#371 Our Father, We Have Wandered</p> <p>Our Father, we have wandered and hidden from your face; in foolishness have squandered your legacy of grace. But now, in exile dwelling, we rise with fear and shame, as, distant but compelling, we hear you call our name.</p> <p>O Lord of all the living, both banished and restored, compassionate, forgiving and evercaring Lord, grant now that our transgressing, our faithlessness may cease. Stretch out your hand in blessing, in pardon, and in peace.</p> <p>And now at length discerning the evil that we do, behold us, Lord, returning with hope and trust to you. In haste you come to meet us and home rejoicing bring, in gladness there to greet us with calf and robe and ring.</p>
Passing the Peace	Rev. Doug Cederberg
First Reading	Luke 15:1-7 Betsy Converse
Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer	Rev. Doug Cederberg
Second Reading	Luke 15:11-32 Betsy Converse
Message	Rev. Doug Cederberg
Baptism	 <p>We celebrate the baptism of Kamerin Alexander -Louis Hughes</p>
*Choir Response	I Will Serve Thee

Invitation to Communion	<p>The peace of the Lord be with you And also with you</p> <p>Lift up your hearts We lift them up to the Lord</p> <p>Let us give thanks to the Lord our God It is right to give God our thanks and praise</p>
Announcements	Rev. Doug Cederberg
*Closing Song	<p style="text-align: right;"><u>We Respond</u></p> <p>#348 Softly and Tenderly</p> <p>Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me see, on the portals he's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me.</p> <p>Come home, come home, ye who are weary, come home; earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, O sinner, come home!</p> <p>Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, pleading for you and for me? Why should we linger and heed not his mercies, mercies for you and for me?</p> <p>Come home, come home, ye who are weary, come home; earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, O sinner, come home!</p> <p>○ for the wonderful love he has promised, promised for you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon, pardon for you and for me.</p> <p>Come home, come home, ye who are weary, come home; earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, O sinner, come home!</p>
Benediction	Rev. Doug Cederberg
Postlude	The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Altar Flowers

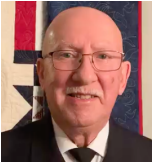


In celebration of Spring and the blessings of rebirth.

Coffee Fellowship



Join us for coffee hour after worship
Sunday, March 27, 2022
Hosted by Michelle and Dennis O'Malley.



Together in Church!

DENNIS CHRISTO | GPC GOVERNING BOARD CHAIR | MARCH 23, 2022

Let us prepare our hearts and minds for Easter. May we use this Lenten period to pray, reflect, seek forgiveness, and reconcile ourselves with God and Christ as our Lord and Savior. All is being made ready for Palm Sunday and Easter. We look forward to Easter and our Risen Savior!

Let us pray for the Nation and people of Ukraine who are suffering as the war continues to rage in their country and throughout their cities and towns causing extraordinary death and destruction. May there be an immediate cessation of this horror. Pray for all the people, and for the charitable organizations helping the refugees in so many ways to provide aid, relief, support, and comfort.

It is important that we continue assembling together in church. The pandemic caused many people to stay/watch at home, missing out on gathering as believers. We need to be among other believers so that we can stir up each other to love and good works (Hebrews 10:24-25). That is lost when we are not physically present and intentional about our fellowship as an element of worship. Hearing the Gospel preached from the pulpit by our Pastor is uplifting and encouraging. Let us shine our light into the darkness and let us show those who will see our good works as giving glory to our God and His Son Jesus. See you in church!



Congregational questions about church and various Teams functioning should be brought to our Team Leaders and/or the GB Oversight person for that subject area. Your input is valued and always encouraged.

Your continued financial support is essential to our sustaining church operations. Thank you for your regular commitments and donations, both financial and time, and talents. I wish to note Carlo's painting the Chapel window casings and cleaning the windows, and to Ken W. for Chapel lighting work. Also, Rod White for programming maintenance work to repair ceiling problems in Friendship, Conference, and Garden rooms. Also, don't forget our 125th Anniversary Fund Drive challenge.

Blessings and Shalom,

Dennis Christo

Chair, Governing Board.

Food Pantry

Wednesdays | 10am | Parking entry



Another week of new visitors to the FP. All have indicated they are pleased we are here. The downside is we are in need of more support!

Here is our list of needs: **canned vegetables (2 cans left), cereal, Mac n Cheese, tuna, and peanut butter.** That's a long list, but please know any donation helps.

New Cards are coming for Hope for Housing...



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We currently have cards for Big Y, Shaw's,

Stop & Shop, Panera's, Dunkin', and CVS. Starting next month the following may be added to our lineup:

Target - \$10, \$25, \$50, & \$100, **Starbucks** - \$10 & \$25
TJ Maxx - \$25 & \$50, **Amazon** - \$25, \$50, & \$100

Please let Karen Allen know if you are interested in having any of these available on a regular basis by speaking with her on Sunday or email karenallen2006@aol.com.

Pansies For Sale!

Pick up, Sunday, April 10, 2022

Special Projects is selling pansies. They must be ordered and paid for by **April 3rd.**



Pick up will be at church on April 10th. Pansies are \$7.00 each. Please see Marion to order.

Altar Flowers for MARCH & APRIL



Spring is coming and this is a great time to choose a Sunday to sponsor the flowers for the altar. The Flower Chart for 2022 is posted on the bulletin board outside of Fisher Hall to sign up for dedicating flowers for a Sunday in 2022.

These are \$35 per Sunday and a check is to be made out to Greendale People's Church with "Altar Flowers" on the memo line. Be sure to fill out a dedication card so we dedicate the donation of flowers appropriately. These may be in memory, in honor, or in celebration of a person or event. Thank you for your continued support.

Do you have any large, empty juice cans?

If you have any large, empty juice cans (42 - 46 ounces) please bring them in with the top cut off and cleaned. The deacons use these each week to send people home with the flowers that are ordered.



Thanks for your continued support. These may be left in Fisher Hall on Sundays.

GPC News

Worship Service!

See you this **Sunday,**
March 27, 2022, at 9:30 am
in the **SANCTUARY**



Soup To Go | THIS SUNDAY!!

Sunday, March 27 | following church service



Special Projects Team will hold a **Soup Fundraiser Event** on March 27, 2022, following church service.

There will be several homemade choices to enjoy. This will be different from the past with only soups to take out. Details will be forthcoming. Save the date!

The season of Lent is upon us!

Starting Ash Wednesday, March 2, 2022



If you are able, you may make a special donation to GPC for Lent. Please mark the check on the memo line "for Lent" so it will be noted on your statement correctly. Thank you for your continued support.

Volunteer Opportunities

There are many ways you can volunteer with us, from volunteering with the **Food Pantry**, **Worcester Fellowship lunches**, or the **Mustard Seed**.

You can also, volunteer with our **Social Media Group**, **Sunday Production Team**, or with the **Diaconate**. You will be able to spend time with friends, do good for the community, and learn new skills while helping your church give back to the community!



If interested in volunteering, please contact contact the office at 08.852.7727 office@greendalepeopleschurch.org, and we will connect you with our team leaders.

Thank you note

Thank you very much for the special card many of you signed for me to deliver to my mom in Colombia. She was very happy to read your thoughtful words. As well, we appreciate all your prayers and wishes for her strength and recovery. Love from Colombia!

Carolina and Clara

Grow Spiritually

What is Lent?

Lent is a 40 day season of prayer, fasting, and preparation for Easter, that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. Lent It's one of the most important times of year for many Christians around the world, since it's a time of solemn observance and preparation for the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.



Some Christians around the world observe lent by fasting, others choose to give up something during lent like eating meat, avoiding luxuries, giving up alcohol, chocolates, and even social media or screen time.

The act of giving up something for Lent helps us practice self-discipline and remember the sacrifices Jesus made for us.

What to give up during Lent?



You can challenge yourself this year by making a pledge to give up something that you have a problem with or something that will make you less selfish, or in other words a better person.

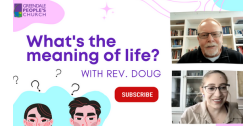
1. Make a list of things that you'd like to give up.
2. Commit to one or two things.



3. Keep a journal of your penitential experience, pray and reflect.
4. Whatever you give up, intent is a big part of truly recognizing Lent!

Wednesday's Thoughts

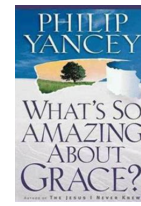
Wednesdays on FB, YouTube and GPC website



Don't miss new episodes every other Wednesday. Episodes are available on GPC's website, FB, and YouTube channel.

Wednesday Study Group

Wednesdays | 6:30 pm | GPC Library



The Wednesday night Study Group will be discussing **What's So Amazing About Grace by Phillip Yancey** after Easter.

Years ago we worked through this book, but this time we ask that you read it; and/or refresh your memory and bring questions that may arise to discuss over a 4 week period when the weather gets better! For questions contact Dennis O'Malley at owensinned@yahoo.com

Women at the Well

2nd & 4th Monday | 10:30 am | Conference Room

Classes meet on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 10:30 am in the Conference Room of the church. Self-study videos will be available every other week on our website and YouTube channel.



Contact Karen Allen if you have any questions at 508.942.2401 or by email at karenallen2006@aol.com

Weekly Calendar

GPC office is open Monday-Thursday from 9 am - 3 pm

Sunday, April 3, 2022

9:30amWorship Service | Sanctuary, FB Live

10:45amSoup to Go | Fisher Hall

Monday, March 28, 2022

10:30amWomen at the Well | CR

Wednesday, March 23, 2022

10:00am-12:00pm.....Food Pantry | Parking Entry

6:30pm.....Wednesday Study Group | Library

Sunday, April 3, 2022

9:30amWorship Service | Chapel, FB Live

Please carry this with you or place it on your table or beside your bed. As you include the following names in your prayers remember that your brothers and sisters in faith are also praying with you.

Beverly	Robert (Bob) Copeland	Cheryl Crowe
Janice	Patricia Harnois	Charlie Whittall
Stephanie Kissiday	Claude Lohnes	Patrice
Jessica Angers	Karen Legere	Dorothea Simmons
Jim & Marie Wilmot	Kathy Freeburn	Charlotte &
Brandon S.	Clara Carreño	Ray LeBlanc
Teresa LaFleur	Laura Giurleo	Shon Rainford
Don Hebb	Cheryl O'Brien	Paula Lapomardo
Don Wilbur	Sheri Kline	Mike D'Ambra
June Ayres	Laurie Daley & Family	Lorna Robbins
Sandy Grayson	Joshua	
Astrid Essex	Kim and Tim Terry	
Ethel Gustafson	Leo	

Connect with GPC members by sending a postcard and telling them how much you care!

Ethel Gustafson

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MARCH BIRTHDAYS

03/03 Astrid Essex	03/11 Janet Whittall	03/17 Richard Grayson	03/23 Rowena Warden
03/04 Tori Jones	03/12 Samuel Dubruel	03/18 Laura Giurleo	03/26 Earline DeSalvo
03/05 George Warden	03/13 Karl Putnam	03/19 Verlaine Sobi	03/30 Padiag Daley
03/06 Carolina Mata	03/13 Diane Morin	03/21 Marcia Hartleb	03/31 James Blodgett
03/08 Elise Dubrule	03/13 Logan Grensavitch	03/21 Cimato Carlo	
03/09 Marjorie Clark	03/14 Joanne Wilder	03/21 Jennifer Schlegel	

Ministering to the Congregation

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March 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
30	31	01 Office Hrs: 9am-3pm First Day of Women's History Month	02 Office Hrs: 9am-3pm 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Food Pantry Parking Entry 6:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service Chapel & FB Live	03 Office Hrs: 9am-3pm 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm Cub Scouts Eden, Genesis rooms	04	05
06 9:30 am Worship Service Chapel/FB Live/Website	07 Office Hrs: 9am-3pm 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm NA Group Fisher Hall	08 Office Hrs: 9am-3pm	09 Office Hrs: 9am-3pm 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Food Pantry Parking Entry 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Wed. Study Group Library	10 Office Hrs: 9am-3pm Epiphany 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm Cub Scouts Eden, Genesis rooms	11 Office Closed	12 Office Closed
13 Daylight Saving Time Mustard Seed Offering 9:30 am Worship Service Sanctuary/FB Live/Website	14 Office Hrs: 9am-3pm 10:30am Women at the Well 2nd Conference Room	15 Office Hrs: 9am-3pm	16 Office Hrs: 9am-3pm 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Food Pantry Parking Entry 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm Stewardship Mtg CR 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Wed. Study Group Library	17 Office Hrs: 9am-3pm St. Patrick's Day 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Mustard Seed Kitchen 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm Cub Scouts Eden, Genesis rooms	18 Office Closed	19 Office Closed 11:00 am Funeral, Roberta Wolanski Sanctuary 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm Fellowship Group Fisher Hall & Kitchen
20 9:30 am Worship Service Chapel/FB Live/Sanctuary	21 Office Hrs: 9am-3pm 6:30 pm Proto 4 Fisher Hall	22 Office Hrs: 9am-3pm 6:30pm - 8:30 pm Governing Board Mtg 2nd Conference Room	23 Office Hrs: 9am-3pm 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Food Pantry Parking Entry 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Wed. Study Group Library	24 Office Hrs: 9am-3pm 10:30 am - 12:00 pm Sandwiches All Saints Kitchen 11:15 - 12:15pm Care Ministry CR 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm Cub Scouts Eden, Genesis room	25 Office Closed	26 Office Closed
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06	07	08	09	10	11	12

Other Activities

WIMS Church | Sundays, 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm | Sanctuary
 Central Mass NA Group | First Monday of the month, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm | Fisher Hall
 Cub Scouts | Thursdays, 5:30 - 7:30 pm | Eden and Genesis Room