



UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Greenbelt Community Church United Church of Christ

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“Whoever you are and wherever you are on life’s journey,
you are welcome here.”

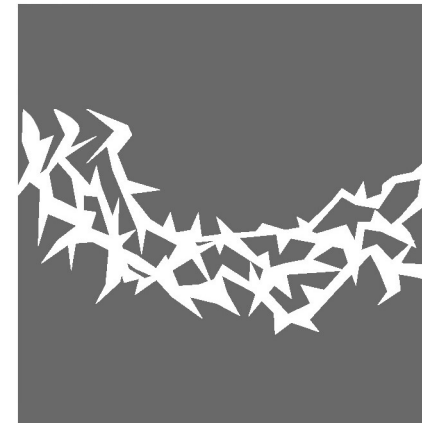


Ministers: Every Member of the Church

Rev. Glennyce Grindstaff, Pastor

Dr. Wei-Der Huang, Musical Director

James Bonnell, Administrative Assistant



HOLY WEEK

*Greenbelt Community Church
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Welcome All:

Shapes Sizes **Colors** Sexes Languages CULTURES Beliefs Ages

Preferences STATUSES FAITHS

You are home!

About Us

WELCOME VISITORS! We're delighted to have you share this hour of worship with us today. In the pews there are Visitor Cards that we would love for you to fill out and place in the offering plates just to let us know you stopped by. We also invite you to join us downstairs after worship for coffee and fellowship.

LARGE PRINT COPIES of the hymns and scriptures are available from the ushers.

OUR CHURCH IS EQUIPPED with personal assistive listening equipment. Small earphones and pocket-sized receivers for use anywhere in the Sanctuary are available from the ushers.

THE LORD'S SUPPER The Lord's Supper is celebrated on the first Sunday of every month. We have an open table and all are welcome at God's feast. We pass the elements and ask that you hold yours until we can all partake together. Both wine and grape juice are used; the wine is in the center two rings. The juice is in the outer two rings. Gluten-free rice wafers are available on each bread plate.

PRAYER CARDS are located in the pews if you would like Pastor G to pay special attention to a particular issue. Also, if you would like to update any of your information in the church directory, please use one of the Visitor Cards, also located in the pews and check "address change."

PASTOR G'S SERMONS can now be found online on the GCC website GreenbeltCommunityChurch.org under the Sermon tab.

OUR LOST AND FOUND is located downstairs in our social hall on the sign-up table.

PLEASE turn off your cell phone before worship begins



Come celebrate Easter with us on Sunday, April 1st
for our Easter worship at 10:15am

What's Happening this Week?

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
March 25	March 26	March 27	March 28	March 29	March 30	March 31
Christian Education 11:45am (FC)	Bible Study 7:00pm (FC)		Cub Scouts 6:00pm (SH) CoDA 7:00pm (FC) Choir 7:30pm (Sanctuary)	Cub Scouts 6:30pm (SH & FC) Maundy Thursday 7:30pm (Sanctuary)	Good Friday Sanctuary Open 12:00pm - 3:00pm	

LOOKING AHEAD IN CHURCH

- Mar 29 Maundy Thursday **7:30pm**
- Mar 30 Good Friday Sanctuary will be open for prayer from **12:00pm—3:00pm**
- April 1 GILA Sunrise service at Greenbelt Lake **7:00am**
Easter Celebration at GCC **10:15am**
Easter Egg Hunt after worship

Prayer Covenant Families

For the Week of March 25th

*Jeff and Laura Knutson, Alma and Jan, Betty Ladas,
Suzi Lawn, Ellen and Gil Lee, Tom,
Loren and Jean Linstrom*

Please keep our Prayer Covenant Families in your prayers this week.

March 25, 2018

Prelude

The Prelude signals a time of quiet and reflection. Please respect this time of worship for others with your quietness

*Call to Worship

One: Come. Come seeking words.
All: Come to let your tongue give praise.
 One: Come. Come to find your voice.
All: Come to hear the response.
 One: Come. Come to open your ears.
All: Come to listen.
 One: Come. Come to be healed by the silence.
All: Come to stand together.
 One: Come. Come to approach what words cannot describe.
All: Come to find God.

*Opening Hymn #216 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Prayer of Confession (inspired by Psalm 31:9-16)

O Holy One, we are too distressed to notice that you join us in the parade. We are too deeply grieved to be aware that you sit beside us at the table. We are too busy sighing. We are too busy talking. We have insisted upon our own answers. We proclaimed our own knowledge about why bad things happen, about why the rich get richer, and about why the world feels so broken. We have assured ourselves that this is the way that things must be, but this life is in your hands. Our lives are in your hands.

O Holy One, speak to us. Fill our silences. Comfort us with your love so that we may find your understanding. Trust us to find your answers when we finally tire from our own. Save us, O Holy One, with your steadfast love. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, hear and believe the Good News of the Gospel
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, loved, and freed. Hallelujah!

*Passing of the Peace

Hymn #236

Halleluja

Please return to your seats

Announcements

Anthem	“Sing Hosanna”	Lloyd Larson
Kidz Chat		
Message	“No Answers”	
*Hymn #213	Hosanna, Loud Hosanna	
The Palm Parade	Mark 11:1-11	Karen Yoho
The Anointing	Mark 14:1-9	Diane Wogaman
Silence		
The Last Supper	Mark 14:10-25	Rev. Grindstaff
*Hymn 342	Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread	
The Garden	Mark 14:32-40	Karen Yoho
The Betrayal	Mark 14: 43-50	Diane Wogaman
Silence		
The Arrest and Denial	Mark 14:53-72	Rev. Grindstaff
*Hymn #218	Ah, Holy Jesus	

Prayers of the People, Response

Trespases/Tresspass Debts/Debtors or Sin/Sinners during the Lord's Prayer, all are acceptable and all are welcome here.

Offertory

*Doxology:# 778

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen**

*Offering Dedication

Holy One, Bless these gifts so that the world may know your love even when we are silent. Amen.

*Closing Hymn #219 Journey to Gethsemane

*Benediction and Choral Response

Please stay in your place until the end of the Choral Response

*Postlude

**Please stand as you are able in body or spirit.*

No Answer: Prayers was written by the Rev. Elsa A. Cook, an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ. Adapted for use for GCC by Rev. Glenyce Grindstaff

Serving in Worship Today

Barbara Ransom, Lester Tanner, Karen Yoho

Announcements

THIS THURSDAY come join us at 7:30pm for our Maundy Thursday service of Tenebrae. This beautiful service helps us to remember the Last Supper and the arrest and death of Jesus.

BULLETIN COVERS Please help us use less paper and return the outer page with the cover on it of our bulletin so that we can re-use it.

BIBLE STUDY Come join us Monday nights at 7:00pm for Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome.

CHANCEL FLOWERS If you provide flowers for the chancel please remember to take the flowers home with you after service. We cannot give them a good home here at the church and they would be much happier at home with you!