

# Welcome to Worship!

October 15, 2023

Proper 23A

## GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

#### \*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP BASED ON PSALM 23: 1-6

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

**People: He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;**

Leader: he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

**People: Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

Leader: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

**People: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.**

**OPENING HYMN:** "For the Life That You Have Given" **No. 684**

#### \*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER (DEBTS)

Lord, remind us that each of our days matters in building your Kingdom. Even as events around us seem hopeless, we can make a difference right here, right now, just as Jesus assured us when he taught us to pray, saying..., *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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen*

**\*GLORIA PATRI** **No. 734**

Glory be to the Creator, and to the Christ: And to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

**CHOIR ANTHEM** Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

**READING OF THE WORD** Matt 22:1-14

**SERMON** Fulfilling our (Pre) Destiny

**MEDITATION HYMN:** "Here I Am, Lord" **No. 559**

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### CALL FOR THE OFFERING

### OFFERTORY

You may also mail your offering (P.O. Box 128, Greenland, NH 03840); Give on line by going to [greenlanducc.org](http://greenlanducc.org) and click "Donate" tab. Thank you!

**\*DOXOLOGY** **No. 34**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow:  
Praise God, all creatures here below.  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**\*CLOSING HYMN:** "O God in Whom All Life Begins" **No. 388**

### \*BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

\*Please stand if you are able.

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Community Congregational  
Church of Greenland

The liturgist is Karen Mason.  
The Greeters/Ushers this Sunday are Barbara and Jon Fletcher.  
This Sunday's flowers are given by Barbara Fletcher to celebrate family birthdays.

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***GOD CALLS US TOGETHER TO WELCOME ALL  
AND TO SERVE GOD, EACH OTHER, THIS COMMUNITY,  
AND THE WORLD  
IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST'S LOVE.***

***❖ ALL ARE WELCOME! ❖***