

GREENSBORO UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, March 15, 2026 | *4th Sunday in Lent*

Rev. Dr. Ed Sunday-Winters • Hal Parker, Music Director

PRELUDE Solo organ Hal Parker

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Some days, it's hard to recognize the signs, when what we have come to know and rely on is ablaze and everything looks like ashes.

Two: Do you not know what the Holy One can do with ashes?

Many: Then the Earth-maker knelt down and formed humanity from the dust of the ground, and breath breathed new life.

One: Some days, it's difficult to believe the signs, when truths are erased and buried and there is nothing left to witness but the bare dirt.

Two: Do you not know what the Holy One can do with dirt?

Many: Then the Pain-bearer spat in the dirt and made mud spreading it on the man's eyes and visions appeared of a new day rising.

One: Some days, it feels impossible to embrace the signs, so we come together to pay attention, and seek, and be changed

Two: finding our grounding in the ashes that were once stars, in the dirt that holds galaxies, in the mud that birthed our bones and breath.

Many: Then the Life-giver who made safe ground in the middle of the sea said: See, I am doing a new thing. Do you not perceive it? And a way was made out of no way toward hope.

OPENING PRAYER

*GLORIA PATRI

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. Amen.

*HYMN 167 (Songs of Spirit) Arise, Your Light Is Come!

CHILDREN'S TIME Ed Sunday-Winters

Children may go upstairs after Children's Time. Parents can join them or remain in the sanctuary.

**Indicates all who are able may stand*

SCRIPTURE John 9:1-41 Judy Dunnan

ANTHEM "I Lift Up My Eyes" text Psalm 121, music by David von Kampen 2020
Hal, voice and organ

SERMON One Thing I do Know Ed Sunday-Winters

SILENCE

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

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.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Holy God, into a world desperate for signs of hope, let these gifts arrive as beacons. Into hearts searching for signs of compassion, let these gifts offer tenderness. Into each breath yearning for signs of new life, let these gifts come as possibility and promise. Amen.

*HYMN 401 (Songs of Spirit) Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound

JOYS & CONCERNS

MORNING PRAYER & THE LORDS PRAYER

Our God, 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.



*HYMN 445 (Songs of Spirit) Be Thou My Vision

*BENEDICTION

SONG OF SENDING 349 (Songs of Spirit)

Go in peace and the peace of God be with you this day.

Go in peace and the peace of God be with you al-ways.

Cel-e-brate and share the joy! Cel-e-brate new life!

Go in peace and the peace of God be with you al-ways.

POSTLUDE

Solo organ

Hal Parker

PARISH NEWS

- **Trustees Meeting** – Wednesday, March 18 at 1:30 PM in the Library.
- **Community Vigil for Peace** – Wednesday, March 18 at 3 pm, we are going to hold space for peace for about 30 minutes in the sanctuary at GUCC. This is an open to the community event for folks who feel the need to touch base, share a poem, and encourage one another.
- **Lenten Book Study** — Join us on Thursday, March 19 at 6:00 PM for soup and discussion around our Lenten book study: Mother Emanuel.
- **Puzzling for the Pantry** – Saturday, March 21, 2:00-4:00 PM. Join neighbors for an afternoon of puzzling, visiting, and fun — plus door prizes.
- **No Kings 3 "Protestival"** – Join us on Saturday, March 28 3/28 from 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM on at the old RR depot by the Rail Trail in Hardwick.
- **Easter Sunrise Service** – Sunday, April 5, 6:20 AM at Caspian Beach. For those who are so inclined, we will begin our celebration of the resurrection of Jesus with the rising of the sun and the dawning of a new day.
- **Silence and Soup** — Wednesdays, April 9, 16, 23, and 30, 5:30–6:30 PM in the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall. Begin with 20 minutes of silent reflection in the sanctuary, followed by soup, bread, and conversation.
- **Coffee Hour** – Please join us after the service for refreshments in Fellowship Hall.

CLASSES IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

- **Bone Builders** – Mon. & Wed., 10:00–11:00 AM
- **Tai Chi** – Thurs., 10:00–11:00 AM
- **Pilates** – Tues. & Thurs., 4:00–5:00 PM

COMMUNITY EVENTS

- **Greensboro Community Meal** – Tues., 5:30–6:30 PM, Fellowship Hall.
- **Greensboro Food Share** – Free food boxes for pre-registered households, 2nd & 4th Wed., 11:45 AM–1:00 PM, church parking lot. To register, call (802) 563-3322.
- **Shape Note Sing** – Last Sat. of month, 3:00–5:00 PM, Fellowship Hall. All are welcome.

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An Open and Affirming Congregation

Greensboro, Vermont



Welcome to Greensboro UCC

Whoever you are, wherever you are
on life's journey—you are welcome here.

We especially welcome visitors today! We invite you to
introduce yourself, fill out a welcome card in the pew,
and join us for Coffee Hour after the service.

May you leave this place refreshed by the Spirit
and renewed in community.

Our Mission

To love as Jesus loved—caring for others and
joyfully serving God, our community, and our world.

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