

Greenbank Weekly Newsletter – Sunday, March 7, 2021

Office hours: Mondays Only, 9:00am-3:00pm Contact info: office@greenbankcoc.org or 302-994-3800

Email and phone messages will be accessed remotely throughout the week.

If you, or anyone you know, has a need, contact the church office, and we will find a way to assist.

Go to Sleep, God Has the Wheel by Paul Banfe (edited)

I remember driving with my Dad at night when it would rain hard, and as a kid, I was afraid. I thought to myself, “How can he see? What about all the cars around him?” However, time and time again, I would drift off to sleep in the back of the car. You see, no matter how dark and stormy the road, my Dad had the wheel, and I trusted him.

I’m reminded of a story about the English Reformer martyr, Nickolas Ridley. Ridley lived in London during the times of the Marian persecution of Protestants. The night before Ridley was to be executed, we find recorded that when asked by some friends if he would like them to stay up with him that night, he said, “No, no, that you shall not. For I mind (God willing) to go to bed, and to sleep as quietly tonight, as ever I did in my life.”

How could he sleep before his execution? It was because he knew that his heavenly Father had the wheel, no matter how dark and stormy the road ahead might be. The Psalmist wrote about this experience in Psalm 4:8, “*In peace, I will both lie down and sleep; for you alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety.*” Another way to say this is, “*Be still and know that I am God.*” Still your heart Christian because God is God. No matter what happens, no matter what your experience may be, there is not a square inch in his universe or moment in time over which he does not reign. Lay your head on this pillow and sleep: God is God. Whisper to your heart, “Be still, heart, God is God.” Fall, recklessly, into the pillow of his sovereignty, love, mercy, and care.

What is happening in your life? What anxiety is keeping you up at night? You can drift off to sleep because your Heavenly Father has the wheel, and no matter how dark and stormy the road ahead of you might be, you can trust him with your life.

Lifting in Prayer

Juanita Anderson: having a pacemaker put in.

Mike Barker: will have pacemaker put in on March 16.

Sarah Hatcher: has Covid-19

Bruce Finney, Sr. family: Bruce passed away recently. He was the father of former Cedars members Dave & Ann Finney, Allison (Finney) Archangelo, and Bruce Jr. & Laura (Casey) Finney.

Tabitha (Hucker) Grooms family: Tabitha, a former Cedars member, lost her husband in February. Tabitha is undergoing chemo for Non-Hodgkin’s Lymphoma. If you would like to make a donation to help with some of the family’s most immediate expenses, click on this link: <https://gofund.me/408d0a50>

Pray for unity in our country and for our leaders to seek God’s wisdom and guidance.

Greenbank church: Godly guidance for our elders & minster as they lead our congregation.

The most recent requests are listed above. If you have an item for prayer or praise, please email it to office@greenbankcoc.org for inclusion in our weekly list. To view previous prayer requests and those on our ongoing lists, please visit the Weekly Bulletins page on our website www.greenbankcoc.org.

Announcements

Return to In-Person Worship

We will reopen to in-person worship on Sunday, March 14, allowing for approximately 50 people in attendance. If you were not on our list of those desiring to attend last fall, and you now do want to attend, please contact the church office to let us know. Conversely, if you were on the list to attend, but now desire to wait a little longer, let us know and we will remove your name until you indicate readiness to return. A list will go out on Wednesday, March 10 with the names of those to attend on the 14th. The livestream of our service will continue for those not attending in person.

Special Contribution – Camp Manatawny

The month of March has been designated to collect funds to help support the mission and ministry of Camp Manatawny. Donations can be made in the same way as our weekly contributions. One important difference: please make a note on the memo line of your check or in PayPal that the donation is for Camp so we can be sure it is identified properly.

Ladies & Young Girls Classes

Our next Zoom class will be Saturday, March 13th. The ladies' class will be discussing chapter 6 – Naaman's Servant. Our young girls' class will be led by Sis. Eileen Hence. We invite all our ladies to join us!

GriefShare

The spring session begins March 15. All meetings are on Mondays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. and remain online using Zoom. To register go to www.griefshare.org. There is a small fee to cover the cost of materials. If you have questions, contact Judy Barker.

Attention Gardeners!

A plant exchange is planned for Saturday, May 1, from 10am-Noon. If you have some plants you want to share with others, this is a great place to do so. The event will be held at Good News Church in Hockessin.

Worship with Us Online

Sunday Mornings 9:00 a.m. Spanish service 10:30 a.m. English service @ 10:30 a.m.

1) **Facebook Live:** <http://www.facebook.com/greenbankchurchofchrist>

2) **Greenbank Website:** www.greenbankcoc.org Click on the Facebook Live tab on the menu bar at the top of the page. PLEASE NOTE: You do NOT need to have a Facebook account to view the live feed through our website.

3) **Phone In:** If you do not have internet access, you can dial in on your phone to connect.
(301) 715-8592 Enter Meeting ID 889 4601 8992

Online Bible Studies

Wednesdays @ 7PM: Facebook Live <http://www.facebook.com/greenbankchurchofchrist>

Ladies & Young Ladies Classes: 2nd Saturday of each month at 11:00 a.m. Online using the Zoom platform.

Register for class here: : <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0845AFAE2EA6FB6-ladies>

Our book is Honorable and Dishonorable Women of the Bible by Crystal Reyes. It is available on Amazon Kindle.

Youth Bible Study

Tuesday evenings from 6:00-7:00 p.m. on Zoom. We will use Microsoft Teams rooms to communicate with our youth (12-older). Parents of younger children will receive communication through email. If you would like your child/ren to participate, please contact the church office or Crystal Reyes.

Options for Giving

We appreciate those who have been able to maintain regular giving. Ways to contribute:

1) **Write a check** and mail to 511 Greenbank Road, Wilmington, DE 19808, or hold all checks until we begin meeting again.

2) **Cash** can be dropped off at the building on Mondays between 9-11 a.m. or set aside your contributions and bring them when we begin meeting again.

3) **Online giving:** PayPal has been set up on our website www.greenbankcoc.org. Click on the "Donate" button and follow the instructions. (Note: there is a small fee assessed from each donation.)

Last Week's Contribution: \$3,595 Weekly Average: \$4,089