



Weekly Newsletter – Sunday, June 20, 2021

Office hours are Mondays and Wednesdays, 9:00am-3:00pm.

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Fathers by Allen Jones

“Did you do your homework?” “I’m very proud of you!” “Do you need anything?” “I love you.” “Can you hold this light for me?”

These are just a few of the words I can still hear my father saying to me. Although my father has been gone for 24 years, I can still hear and see him; my mind is never far from him.

I thank God I understand the love, kindness, care, and concern of an earthly father. I miss my father dearly and strive to be the father to my kids that he was to me. I have tried to live a life that honors him and shows appreciation for all he has done for me.

Each year our nation sets aside an official day to honor and recognize our earthly fathers. As I grow older, I continue to remember my father, count it an honor to be my kid’s father, and to focus on pleasing my Heavenly Father!

God set the standard for being a father by showing love. First John 4:7 says, “*Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.*”

God unselfishly sent His Son to function as the “propitiation” for our sins. This should motivate us to love God and to live a life of Christian obedience that is worthy of His approval.

God demonstrated love for man in many ways. God created the world (Genesis 1:1), He allows man to have freedom of choice (Genesis 2:15-17), and He made provisions for fallen man (Hebrews 5:8-9).

How does man show love for God in return? We should grow in grace and knowledge (2 Peter 3:18), live a life that displays our allegiance to God (Romans 12:1-2), and focus on the promise of Heaven if we remain obedient and faithful to the Scriptures (Revelation 2:10).

I miss hearing the words of my earthly father, but I want to live my life so one day I can hear my Heavenly Father say, “... *Well done, good and faithful servant.*” (Matthew 25:23)

Prayer Requests

Marion Andrews family: Some of you may remember Marion who attended here with her family several years ago. She passed away last Sunday after a battle with cancer. She was laid to rest in Providence, RI. A memorial service will be held on Thursday, June 24 at the Exton Church of Christ, Exton, PA at 6:00 p.m. Keep the family in your prayers as they mourn their loss.

Paul Smith Jr: needs to have surgery on his knee; pray for good guidance from doctors

Battis family & Danley family

Megan & Makenna Wilkinson: Megan is recovering from her illness; both were able to go home this week.

Sharon King: pray for relief from ongoing medical issues

Gracie Arrowood: 4-month-old undergoing chemo to prepare for bone marrow transplant.

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

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

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 and Upcoming Events

Oasis Chorale Concert – July 10, 6:30pm

Please note the time change for the concert. The Chorale needed to modify the concert time to allow for travel to their overnight lodging. We are looking forward to having this acapella group with us. Reserve the date for this event and invite family, friends, and neighbors to attend.

Church Picnic – Sunday, August 1st

We need to know how many people will be attending the picnic. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the lobby. Write down your family name, how many people in your family will be coming, and the food you plan to bring. Hamburgers, hot dogs, and drinks will be provided. We need members to bring side dishes and desserts. Please sign up by Sunday, July 25th.

Camp Manatawny

Summer youth sessions run from **June 26 – Aug 14** for youth who have completed grades 1 – 12. Go to www.manatawny.org for the weekly schedule and to register. If you have a child who wants to go to camp this summer, but needs financial assistance, contact Rick Mickowski.

NICE/NCJC Reunion

A reunion is planned for alumni of Northeastern Christian Junior College on September 3-5 at Camp Manatawny. The cost of \$100/person covers all meals, up to 2 days of basic summer cabin lodging, and all activities. Kids under the age of 8 are free. Upgraded lodging is available for an additional charge. Negotiated group rates at area hotels are also available. For more information or to register, go to www.manatawny.ncjc-reunion. Friends are friends forever!

Join Us for Worship

Sunday Mornings @ 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

Bible Study ONLINE

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

3 Ways to Give

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

- 1) **In Person:** You may give your contribution during our Sunday morning worship service, or drop it off at the office on Monday or Wednesday between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.
- 2) **By Mail:** Send your contribution to 511 Greenbank Road, Wilmington, DE 19808.
- 3) **Online:** 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: \$5,762 Weekly Average: \$4,844