



Weekly Newsletter – Sunday, June 11, 2023

Office hours: Mon / Wed / Fri 9:00am-3:00pm.

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Unconditional Love by Clark Tatum

The moment your children come into the world you love them. They have done nothing to earn your love, but you love them anyway because they are yours. You continue to love them no matter what they do. This is the unconditional love a parent has for a child, and it is the best human example of God's love for us. It is not based on performance or merit. It is because we are His. It is crucial for any father to express his love for his children in both what he says and what he does. Our heavenly Father expressed His love to us again and again (1 John 4:19).

What excites the emotional energy of God? What stirs His heart? What makes Him sad? To know the answers to these questions is to have a better understanding of how much God loves you (Romans 5:8). Answers to these questions give us insight into the inescapable love of God. Throughout Scripture, God affirms His love for us. We know He loves us because He says so.

God's inescapable love is a love that hurts with us; a love that dreams great dreams for us; a love that cares enough to discipline us so that we might return to Him (Hebrews 12:10). God tells us He loves us, and He shows His love for us. His ultimate act of love was sending His son, Jesus Christ, into the world to die for our sins. "Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends" (John 15:13).

Praise & Prayer Requests

Richard Lewis: passed away early Friday morning; keep Mary and the family in prayer.

Anna DaCunha: now at home, on antibiotics to heal the abscess so she can have her appendix removed.

Ed Maynard: recovering from surgery that removed bladder stones.

Chrissi Steiner: asking for prayers for peace and patience.

Virginia Clark: latest news from the doctor is that the cancer may have spread more than initially thought.

Kristin Farraday: finishing chemotherapy; surgery is scheduled in July to be followed by radiation.

Bill Hackett: on dialysis, recent heart attack, and now diagnosed with cancer; pray for him, his family, & friends.

Robin Garvin: pray for healing and that she will not need surgery.

Paul King: continue to pray for healing and strength.

Virginia Clark, Shelley Irwin, Lillie West, Kristin Farraday, Pam Dahlström: all are battling cancer.

Brasefield family: continued prayers for Alijah's growth, Chelsea's recovery, and strength for the whole family.

High School and College Graduates: may they trust in God to guide them as they move on to their next stage in life.

All Our Students: for a great finish to the school year.

Remember our members who are homebound or have limited mobility: George & Jan Adair, Bob & Linda Crusco, Faye Hatfield, Agnes Ignudo, Ed & Sue Maynard, Christy Mickowski, Bob & Penny Pennington.

Greenbank church: Godly guidance for our elders, minister, deacons, and ministry leaders.

Greenbank missions: Eduar Morales (Oxford, PA), Chad Westerholm (Mozambique), Edmund Borfay (Liberia), Samuel Agbeta (Ghana), Camp Manatawny, Reflect Campus Missions/BHC.

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 Events

Special Contributions for The Wall Project

The elders have designated the month of June as our time frame for giving special donations to offset the cost of the resurfacing of the front cedar wall. There are envelopes available in the back of the auditorium for cash donations. Checks should be made out to Greenbank Church of Christ with "The Wall" written in the memo.

Closing of the Lower Parking Lot

We are still awaiting delivery of construction materials for the wall project. When we receive them, access to the lower parking lot will be restricted. Please do not try to enter the lower lot. If you do, you risk damage to the materials and to your vehicle. The lot will be closed for the duration of the project, which should only be for a few weeks. You will still be able to access the fellowship room door but will need to park in the upper lot and walk down the hill.

Blue Rocks Baseball!

There are still several tickets available for the Blue Rocks game, so sign up today! Cost is \$14/person. See Fern Davis next week to pick up your tickets. If paying with a check, please make it out to Greenbank and write "Blue Rocks" in the memo.

Events at Camp Manatawny

Summer camping sessions begin in just a few weeks! The schedule for each session is posted on the bulletin board in the lobby. Camp is a wonderful way for your child to grow in relationship with Jesus while making life-long friends. If you need financial assistance to cover the cost of camp, please speak with Rick Mickowski or Lisa Reed.

SUNDAY MEETING TIMES

In-Person Bible Classes for All Ages @ 9:30 a.m. including a Spanish-speakers class (adults).

In-Person Worship Services – English & Spanish @ 10:30 a.m.

The English service is live streamed with 3 ways to connect:

- 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. You do NOT need a Facebook account to view the service through our website.
- 3) **Phone In: (301) 715-8592 Meeting ID: 862 5363 5838 Passcode: 123456**

BIBLE STUDIES

English Mid-Week – Wednesdays @ 7pm – Study of 1 Corinthians; hybrid class (in-person & online)

Facebook Live or Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/98664842526?pwd=Rkp6Z3VYSGZpcjY4cXZWNjd1djNpQT09>

Spanish Mid-Week – Thursdays @ 6:30 pm at Greenbank. Contact Domingo Reyes for more information.

Ladies – on break for the summer; will resume in October – led by Crystal Reyes.

Men – 3rd Saturday each month @ 10am at Greenbank led by Paul King.

Young Ladies – 3rd Saturday each month @ 11am at Greenbank led by Eileen Hence.

SMALL GROUPS

Bear/Glasgow – 2nd & 4th Sundays @ 2pm – hosted by George & Sherry Kirkland and Walter & Susan Johnson.

Married Couples – on break for the summer; will resume in September – led by Domingo & Crystal Reyes.

Singles – 2nd & 4th Tuesdays @ 7pm – hybrid class (in person & Zoom); current study: various topics led by Mark Ray. Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87670702282?pwd=Sy8xYTAyZThkRHpqY1hmbzYrZk4ydz09>

Teens – 1st Friday each month @ 7pm in the chapel; led by Domingo Reyes

3 Ways to Give

- 1) **In Person:** Place your offering in one of the wooden boxes located in the back of the auditorium.
- 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: Attendance: 134 Contribution: \$6,871 Weekly Average: \$5,372 Weekly Budget: \$5,540