

Weekly Newsletter - Sunday, March 2, 2025

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

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Dear Church Family,

In times like these, when so much is happening in our country and the world, it can be easy to get caught up in debates, politics, and taking sides. The conversations around us often turn into Republican versus Democrat, policies versus opinions, and arguments over what is right and wrong. But as followers of Christ, we are called to something greater—compassion, love, and a heart that seeks to understand.

Recently, I've had the opportunity to speak with some of our Hispanic brothers and sisters, and what I've heard has been deeply concerning. Many of them are living under constant fear—fear for their families, their futures, and their ability to remain in a place they have come to call home. One family even shared that they are moving back to their home country because they can no longer bear the anxiety they are facing here.

Regardless of where we stand politically, we must ask ourselves: How does Jesus call us to respond? Scripture reminds us to "Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep" (Romans 12:15). This isn't about taking a political stance—it's about recognizing the struggles of our brothers and sisters and walking alongside them in love.

As a church, we have an opportunity to be a source of peace, encouragement, and support. Let's challenge ourselves to listen more, judge less, and love as Christ loves. Rather than being swept up in the division of the world, let's be united in our mission to show the grace and mercy of God to those who need it most.

In Christ, Domingo

Praise and Prayer Request

Patty Conway: Thomas, Sue, Nathan, Ben, Kevin, Larry & Laura.

Anna DaCunha: pray for Sherry K and Dawn Dorrell, they are both sick. **Marcia Johnson:** keep Marlin in prayer. We're almost at the finish line.

Mason Family: Frank Mason-healing.

Lisa Reed: prayers for Boyd as he helps our son, Ethan, move to Oklahoma this week.

Chrissi Steiner: pray for the youth returning from Winterfest to obey Jesus and renew and share their faith in him. Lebron Parker-ongoing health concerns/vertigo-equilibrium issues/prayers for a resolution.

Barbara Wallace: pray for Roxie as she cares for her husband Rick. **Bev Abosch:** continued prayers for my dad, mom and us sisters.

Elisha Wall: focused priorities, time management and health.

Deborah Sanichar: prayers for safe travels for me and my husband to Guyana.

Remember our members who are homebound due to serious illness or have limited mobility and are unable to attend.

Greenbank church: Godly guidance for our elders, minister and deacons as they lead our congregation. **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

Bilingual Service, Fellowship Meal and Song Sunday-Today

Join us for a day of worship, food and fellowship. We will start with our combined worship service at 10:30. Lunch will be a variety of international dishes prepared by some of our members representing their home countries in the Fellowship Hall. We will end the afternoon worshipping in song. We encourage everyone to attend and enjoy this time of fellowship to glorify God and strengthen our congregation.

Camp Manatawny Missions

Each year we designate the month of March to collect donations for Camp Manatawny. Camp Manatawny has events for all ages all year round. See the Missions bulletin board for the 2025 Season flyer. To donate, make checks out to Greenbank with "Manatawny" on the memo line. If giving cash, use the special contribution envelopes located at the welcome desk and place in the offering plate.

Biggest Loser Contest- Saturday March 8th

Summer will be here before you know it! Are you wanting to shed a few pounds? Join the Greenbank Biggest Losers!!! Put your name and email address on the sign-up sheet. Details and rules will be emailed to you.

Grief Share

A weekly grief support group will meet on Mondays from 6:30-8 pm at the church from March 10 through June 2. Register at griefshare.org. For any questions, contact Fern Davis at fspellman2@comcast.net

Greenbank Bowling-March 30th

Let's go Bowling! We are looking to form at least 4 teams of 5 players each. Cost will be \$16.20 per person for 3 games including shoe rental. All ages are welcome. Sign up no later than Sunday March 23rd.

Easter Candy Donations

Individually wrapped candy donations are needed for the children's Easter baskets being distributed on April 19. Donations can be placed in the basket in the lobby. See Shelley Irwin with questions.

Sunday Meeting Times

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

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

The English service is livestreamed 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 will need to log in to Facebook to join the live feed.
 - **3) Zoom:** Meeting ID: 862 5363 5838 Passcode: 123456; Phone In: (301) 715-8592

Bible Studies

English Mid-Week – Wednesdays @ 7pm – hybrid class (in person & online) on Facebook Live or Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/98664842526?pwd=Rkp6Z3VYSGZpcjY4cXZWNjd1djNpQT09

Spanish Mid-Week – Thursdays @ 6:30pm at Greenbank. Contact Arturo Gallegos for information. **Ladies** – 2nd Saturday each month @ 9am -hybrid class (in person & online) via Zoom – led by Crystal Reyes. Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88946018992 or dial in (301) 715-8592. Enter Meeting ID 889 4601 8992.

Men – 3rd Saturday each month @ 10am at Greenbank led by Mark Ray.

Youth – Thursdays @ 6:30pm at Greenbank – led by Eileen Hence

SMALL GROUPS

Bear/Newark – 2nd & 4th Sundays @ 2pm – hosted by George Kirkland/Walter Johnson **Greenbank** – 2nd & 4th Sundays @ 12:30 pm in the building after services– hosted by Kamal Wall **North Wilmington** – 1st & 3rd Sundays @ 3pm – hosted by Chrissi Steiner.

Married Couples – 1st Tuesday each month @ 7pm in the teen room – led by Domingo & Crystal Reyes.

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

3 Ways to Give

- 1) In Person: Place your offering in the collection plate as it is passed during our service.
- 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: 141 Contribution: \$3,815 Weekly Average: \$5,069 Weekly Budget: \$5,443