

Weekly Newsletter - Sunday, August 31, 2025

Office hours: Mon / Wed / Fri 9:00am-3:00pm. Contact info: office@greenbankcoc.org or 302-994-3800

Unity in Diversity

One of the best parts of being in Christ's family is that He brings together people who might never have crossed paths otherwise. Out in the world, differences can feel like walls—cultural differences, personal differences, or just different ways of looking at life. But in Jesus, those differences don't divide us. Instead, they get woven together into something stronger and more beautiful.

Paul talks about this in 1 Corinthians 12, where he describes the church as a body with many parts. Every part matters. The eye can't tell the hand it's not needed, and the same is true for us—we can't do without each other. What makes us different is also what makes us complete.

At Greenbank, I see this all the time. Each of us brings something unique—different gifts, experiences, and perspectives—that bless the whole church. When we worship, serve, and encourage one another, we show the world a picture of what God intended: unity without uniformity, diversity without division.

And that's powerful. In a world that feels more divided every day, the church has a chance to live differently. Our love for one another, across all kinds of differences, is one of the strongest testimonies we have that Jesus is alive and working among us.

"Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it." — 1 Corinthians 12:27

Domingo Reyes

Praise and Prayer Request

Children & Teachers: pray for protection, peace, wisdom and patience in the new school year. **Bullock, Hence & Willis Family:** keep in prayer as they mourn the passing of Mary Tucker (mother/grandmother).

Anna Dacunha: Brenda McClreary's husband has been in and out of the hospital and is currently in rehab. He has dementia and she doesn't know if he will be able to come home.

Desmona Newsome: Desmona, Anthony, Naya, Larry, Natalie, Christopher and Alex.

Mason Family: pray for our country.

McPherson Family: the upcoming move of my business from one location to another. Also, our marriage and that we continue to keep God at the center.

Patty Conway: Ed Greenwood, Erin, Liam & Nate, Riley, Lucas, Ethan, Cedric.

Roxie Markey: Praise-Rick is doing really well. **Dawn Dorrell:** still having back problems.

Chrissi Steiner: ongoing health concerns and for LeBron and I in our marriage.

Wilma Blue: Carroll is cancer free after 18 months of treatment. **Doug Essex:** pray for Malinda Baluk who is battling cancer.

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.

Offer of Thanks

Fern Davis: Thanks to everyone who contributed items for the School Supply Ministry. A big thank you for all of those who came out to help pack the backpacks. Your help was truly appreciated.

Announcements and Events

Church Website Draft

Our new website is in development. We kindly invite you to review its contents at https://greenbankchurchofchrist.thechurchco.site Please send your feedback to Mike Phillips at mike@ihsconsulting.net.

Basement Renovations-Saturday, September 6th. 8:00 am

We could use help with the demolition of the storage closets in the Fellowship Room. Bring any tools for knocking down walls or patching holes if you have them. Thank you in advance for helping to renew our fellowship space. Contact Lisa Reed if you have any questions.

Combined Worship-Sunday, September 7th

All church members will meet in the main auditorium for our bilingual service. We look forward to a time of encouragement and fellowship as we all worship our awesome God together.

GriefShare Program

The Fall Cycle begins on Sept 8th through Dec. 1st. Sessions will be held on Monday evenings from 6:30-8:30 pm in the Small Chapel. For more information see the brochure in the foyer or contact Fern Davis.

Children's Church Resumes September 14th

We are happy to welcome our children back to Children's Church! Children ages 3 years old through 5th grade are invited to meet downstairs during the morning sermon on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month.

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. (On break until October)

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 @ 2pm – hosted by Mona Newsome.

Married Couples – 1st Tuesday each month @ 7pm in the teen room – led by Domingo & Crystal Reyes. (On break until October)

Teens – 1st Friday each month @ 7pm in the chapel – led by Domingo Reyes. (On break until October)

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: 165 Contribution: 2,996 Weekly Average: \$5,115 Weekly Budget: \$5,443