

Weekly Newsletter - Sunday, July 21, 2024

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

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Psalm 150: Why, Who, and How We Praise by Tyler Hall

Psalm 150 ends the book of Psalms with a joyful shout to "Praise the Lord!" So, why should we praise God, who should praise Him, and how should we do it?

Why Praise God?

The psalm starts by reminding us why God is worthy of praise. He is higher than us, He does amazing things, and His greatness is unmatched. We should praise Him because His ways are beyond ours, He has done wonderful things for us, and He is the only one truly deserving of praise.

Who Praises God?

According to the psalm, anyone with breath in their lungs should praise God (Psalm 150:6). This is because God is the one who gives us life and breath. Some scholars even think the name for God, "YHWH," sounds like breathing—inhale and exhale. So, every breath we take is a reminder of God.

How Do We Praise God?

The psalm describes how the Israelites praised God with energy and passion, using music and dance. Today, we might not use the same instruments, but we can still praise God with enthusiasm. Our worship should be heartfelt and full of commitment, both in church and in our daily lives.

The Meaning Of Worship (William Temple)

To worship is:

- To quicken the conscience by the holiness of God.
- To feed the mind with the truth of God.
- To purge the imagination with the beauty of God.
- To open the heart to the love of God.
- To devote the will to the purpose of God.

Praise and Prayer Requests

Praise: Mary Cannon and Barbara Wallace have placed their membership with our congregation. We look forward to worshiping and serving the Lord with you.

Dawn Dorrell: Right foot stiches were removed, pray for continued healing, also having rt shoulder surgery on 9/12.

Patty Conway: pray for Pattie T, Cathy S., Terri., Andrea, Karen, Steven, Phyllis and Vito.

Liz Cox: pray for her health and wellbeing.

Virginia Clark: pray that her body adjusts to the new medications.

Roxie Markey: had surgery on her scalp 7/19, keep in prayer.

Lisa Reed: nephew Ajay Schinnerer left for 2-week deployment fighting wildfires in CA, pray for safety in travel and on the job.

Sick and Shut In: pray for all members who are battling cancer, covid and other serious medical issues and those who are unable to attend due to illness or limited mobility.

Greenbank church: Pray for godly wisdom and 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

Bilingual Service & Fellowship Meal

Join us August 4th for our Bilingual Service followed by a Potluck Fellowship meal. Please bring main dishes, salads and desserts to share.

Back to School Supply Drive

We are collecting school supplies for our children, their families and friends for the 2025 school year. If you are able to purchase items, please sign up on the list at the Welcome Center and return the items by August 4th. Supplies will be distributed on Sunday August 11th after worship service.

Sight & Sound Tickets

The cost of the tickets for "Daniel" at Sight and Sound is \$72. Those who signed up to attend, see Anna DaCuhna, Fern Davis or Dawn Grabowski to make your payment and pick up your tickets. If paying by check or paypal, indicate Sight and Sound ticket on the memo line.

Reflect Missions Board

The Reflect Missions Board currently has two vacancies. They are looking to have at least one position filled by a member of Greenbank. If you would like to serve on the board in support of Reflect Campus Missions and Blue Hens for Christ, please see Rick Mickowski.

Nkwanta Ghana School Desk Project

We are still collecting funds to purchase new desks for the students at the school. If you can help with a donation, please donate by Sunday July 27th. Funds will be wired at the end of July.

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 – <u>Wednesdays @ 7pm</u> – hybrid class (in person & online) on Facebook Live or Zoom:

https://zoom.us/j/98664842526?pwd=Rkp6Z3VYSGZpcjY4cXZWNjd1djNpQT09

Spanish Mid-Week – <u>Thursdays @ 6:30pm</u> at Greenbank. Contact Arturo Gallegos for more information.

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

North Wilmington – <u>1st & 3rd Sundays @ 2pm</u> – hosted by Chrissi Steiner.

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: 122 Contribution: \$5,275 Weekly Average: \$5,327 Weekly Budget: \$5,435