



## Weekly Newsletter – Sunday, May 17, 2026

Office hours: Mon / Wed / Fri 9:00am-3:00pm.  
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### *A Church That Still Makes Room*

Every Sunday, someone walks through the doors carrying more than we can see.

Some come in encouraged and ready to worship. Others come in tired from the week. Some are grieving quietly. Some are new and unsure where to sit. Some are returning after a long time away. Some are searching, even if they do not know exactly what they are searching for yet.

That is why the church must always be a place that still makes room.

In Luke 14, Jesus tells a parable about a great banquet. When the invited guests made excuses and refused to come, the master told his servant, “Go out quickly into the streets and alleys of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind and the lame” (Luke 14:21). And when there was still room, he said, “Go out to the roads and country lanes and compel them to come in, so that my house will be full” (Luke 14:23).

That picture tells us something about the heart of God. God is not looking for a small table with only the familiar faces. He is calling people in. He is making room for the broken, the weary, the overlooked, the returning, and the searching.

Romans 15:7 says, “Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.”

That is the kind of church we want to be. Not just friendly in theory, but welcoming in practice. A church where people are greeted, noticed, prayed for, included, and loved. A church where no one feels like they have to have everything together before they come near to God.

Because the truth is, all of us are here by grace. Christ made room for us, and now we are called to make room for others.

So this week, look around. Notice the visitor. Encourage the quiet member. Welcome the one returning. Pray for the one who seems tired. There is room in the family of God, and there is still room at the table.

### *Domingo*

### *Praise and Prayer Request*

**Virginia Clark:** Jeff’s father, James Clark, Sr. is under hospice care, keep the Clark family in prayer during this difficult time.

**Jenn Ring:** asking for continued prayers for my sister, Lorri, as she battles cancer and for prayers as I finish law school and graduate in the next month.

**Taylor McPherson:** prayers that Denise, Jami, Lindsay and Drew come to Christ. Also, prayers that I grow in discipline.

**Dawn Dorrell:** pray for my daughter, Jessica, going to the oncologist on Tuesday. Leg had mass removed.

**Cathy Servas:** pray for healing.

**Chrissi Parker:** continued prayers for LeBron and I, for God's continued provision and protection over our family and for continued healing.

**Barbara Wallace:** prayers for my family and their health problems.

**Elisha Wall:** those sick, recovering and in mourning, new converts, the church, my family's health and wisdom in decisions.

**Patty Conway:** George & Sherry, Dawn D., Chrissi & LeBron, Shawn & Tony and Patty T.

**Walter & Donna Beam (former Cedars members):** pray for their son Justin who was diagnosed with glioblastoma which is incurable and had brain surgery a few weeks ago. Pray for a miracle and wisdom for the family, especially Justin & Mollie as they seek treatment to allow him a good quality of life for his remaining time.

**Heather Heard:** pray for calm and quiet and for God's protection.

**Liz Cox:** pray for friend, John Dubach who has a brain injury after a fall.

**Freddie Johnson** (former member of First State): had a heart attack and is in a coma.

**Nada Harris:** thanks for your prayers for Eric finding employment-he had 2 job interviews and had orientation for one on 5/11. God is good.

**Roxie Markey:** health concerns, continue to keep in prayer. .

**Jan Adair, Betty Asbell, Liz Cox, Linda Crusco, Barbara Davis, Ed & Brenda Jones, Christy Mickowski, Bob & Penny Pennington** and all who are sick, homebound or have 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](mailto: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](http://www.greenbankcoc.org).*

## [Announcements and Events](#)

### **Sunday Morning Bible Class-May 24th**

Everyone is invited to join our combined Bible Study class at 9:30 in the small chapel. Mark Ray will lead a lesson on "Righteousness-what does it mean to be righteous?"

## **Annual Church Picnic-Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at 12:00**

The annual picnic is at Banning Regional Park-Banning Pavilion, 102 Middleboro Rd, Wilmington, DE. Hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, and drinks will be provided. Bring a side dish or dessert and feel free to invite a friend.

## **High School Graduate Recognition-May 31st**

At the end of our service, we will recognize our 2026 high school graduates: Jayla Anderson and Nyah Jones, followed by a cookie reception. Card boxes for each graduate are in the lobby. If you are unable to purchase a card, we do have a few available for you to use – first come, first served.

## **Greenbank Monthly Food Drive**

May's donation item is canned vegetables, preferably low sodium or no added salt. Thanks to all who donated in the month of April. We donated 48 boxes of pasta, 7 bags of rice and 9 jars of sauce.

## **Camp Manatawny Events**

Family Camp (May 22-24)

Open House (May 23)

Summer Sessions (starting June 27): Students (grades 1-12) are eligible to attend.

Financial assistance is available; the deadline is June 1<sup>st</sup>.

See the flyers in the foyer or visit the website [www.manatawny.org](http://www.manatawny.org) for details and registration for all events.

## **Sunday Meeting Times**

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

**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](http://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**

**Community** – Wednesdays @ 10 am – led by Domingo Reyes.

**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***

**Greenbank** – 2nd & 4th Sundays @ 12:30 pm in the building after services– hosted by Kamal Wall  
**North Wilmington** – 1st & 3rd Sundays @ 2pm – led by Mark Ray.  
**Married Couples** – 1st Tuesday each month @ 7pm in the small chapel– led by Domingo & Crystal 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:** using our website, [www.greenbankcoc.org](http://www.greenbankcoc.org), go to “Give” at the top of the page, scan the QR code or select “give online”. (Note: with PayPal there is a small fee assessed from each donation.)



**Last Week: Attendance: 140 Contribution: \$4,501 Weekly Average: \$5,752 Weekly Budget: \$5,600**