



Weekly Newsletter – Sunday, March 29, 2026

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

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When the King Doesn't Fit Expectations

Palm Sunday (Matthew 21:1–11; John 12:12–16) reveals a powerful truth: Jesus is King—but not always the kind of King people expect. The crowd welcomed Him, quoting Psalm 118:26, believing He would overthrow Roman rule. Yet Jesus came to conquer something far deeper—sin and death.

Zechariah 9:9 had already foretold this: “Behold, your king is coming to you... humble and mounted on a donkey.” His humility wasn’t weakness—it was mission. Within days, the same voices praising Him would turn against Him (Luke 23:21). Why? Because He didn’t meet their expectations.

And if we’re honest, we can do the same.

We celebrate Jesus when He blesses us, answers prayers quickly, or fits our plans. But what about when He leads us through sacrifice, surrender, or waiting? Philippians 2:8 reminds us that Jesus “humbled himself... to death on a cross.” His kingdom is not built on comfort, but on surrender.

So today, ask yourself: Am I following Jesus as He is—or as I want Him to be? True discipleship means trusting His ways, even when they don’t match our expectations.

Lay down your “palms”—your desires, plans, and control—and receive Him as King on His terms. Don’t just praise the King—submit to Him.

Prayer:

Lord Jesus, You are the humble King. Forgive me for the times I've expected You to serve my plans instead of surrendering to Yours. Teach me to trust You, follow You, and worship You in truth.

Hosanna—save me, lead me, and change me. Amen.

by D. Reyes

Praise and Prayer Request

Pray for all the families who are grieving the recent loss of their loved ones and everyone who is experiencing health challenges.

Chrissi Parker: prayers for my health, LeBron's health and for continued blessings on our marriage and family.

Cathy Servas: to get an aide from Bayada and it be a good fit.

Anna DaCunha: friend Jackie's car caught fire and she is now without transportation, Mom and her health concerns.

Patty Conway: George K., The Andersons', The Reyes', Shaun and Tony.

Taylor McPherson: Lindsay and Drew to come to Christ also for Denise, Jami, Troy and Terry. Pray that my sister, Morgan's, business be blessed.

Joann Garvin: healing and good health.

Chelsea Brasefield: pray for Lois Banner (Marc's mom) who's oldest sister passed.

Jenn Ring: continued prayers for my sister, prayers for a friend having surgery this week and prayers as I have surgery on March 31st.

Shannon Carroll: traveling grace.

Nazira Malik: healing and rejuvenation.

Abiela Gulamali: prayer for my mother to attend church with us.

Jan Adair, Betty Asbell, Liz Cox, Linda Crusco, Barbara Davis, 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 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

Shelly Irwin: “Thank you to everyone who contributed candy for the children’s Easter baskets.”

Announcements and Events

Children’s Church

Children ages 3 through 5th grade will meet downstairs during the sermon today for a special session and Easter basket distribution. Parents can pick up their children at noon. The next Children’s church will be on April 5th.

Combined Bible Class-April 5th

Both classes will meet upstairs in the small chapel classroom at 9:30. Mark Ray will be teaching the lesson “Jesus the Passover Lamb”.

Greenbank Monthly Food Drive

This month’s donation is canned meats such as tuna, salmon, or chicken packed in water. Please drop your donation into the bin found in the lobby. We appreciate your ongoing support for the Food Bank of Delaware.

March is Manatawny Month

This is the last week for our special collection for Camp Manatawny. Thank you for your generous support of this mission field for young people. Please write checks to Greenbank Church of Christ and write “Manatawny” in the memo. If you would like to give cash, please place it in the envelope designated for Camp Manatawny.

Money Management Classes: “Financial Peace University” – April 12-June 28

We are hosting our 2nd “Financial Peace University” class starting in April. Topics include budgeting, debt payoff, saving, insurance and more. The cost is \$99 per household. Financial assistance is available for members of the congregation, see Rory Irwin if needed. Informational flyers are on the welcome desk. Contact Jason Grabowski with any questions.

Other Events

4/17-4/19 Camp Manatawny Work and Worship Weekend

4/17 & 4/24 Tabernacle Church of Christ Women Encouraging Women Theme: Walking the Way of Jesus through Hospitality.

4/25-4/26 Camp Manatawny Jr/Sr High Retreat

5/1-5/2 Camp Manatawny Ladies Retreat Theme: A Woman Like Me...Loved by our Savior.

5/16-Seafood Church of Christ Ladies Day- 9:00-1:00 Theme: Reflecting Christ in the Garments We Wear (Pro 31:25)

See the bulletin board in the foyer for registration information.

April Birthdays

2 – Edith Reyes

3 – Bety Benitez

4 – Cathy Servas, Moises Phillips

9 – Sue Jones

11 – Erlin Argueta

17 – Arya Cannon

14 – Yvette Curcio

15 – Ana Aguilar

19 – Susan Regester

22 – Isaias Lainez

23 – Denis Ramirez, Denis Garcia

24 – Norma Hughes

26 – Charles Brummett

29 – Marcia Johnson

April Anniversaries

8 – George & Sherry Kirkland

16 – Kamal & Elisha Wall

22 – Fred & Norma Hughes

25 – Ian & Alexis Jennings

26 – Glen & Sue Jones

28 – Jamie & Tina Jones

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 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=Rkp6Z3VYSGZpcjY4cXZWVjd1djNpQT09>

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, 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: 162 Contribution: \$3,457 Weekly Average: \$5,503 Weekly Budget: \$5,600