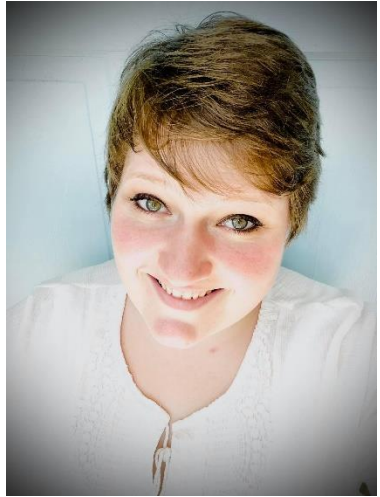


Welcome Lauren McMillan! Director of Family Ministries

We are thrilled to introduce the church family to Lauren McMillan, our new Director of Family Ministries. With a family-equipping approach to ministry, our purpose at Greenwich is to form the Character of Christ in every member of our families, developing faithful and obedient life-long disciples of Jesus. After a long search (thanks COVID!), our search team and the session



believes that Lauren is the right person to fill this new role, working alongside our staff and volunteers to lead our ministry with children, youth, and their parents.

Lauren has known Greenwich for years as she is married to our own James Russell McMillan (son of Leslie & John McMillan). James grew up at Greenwich but we haven't seen him in a while! As a Tech Sergeant in the Air Force, James and the family have been stationed in Sumter, SC; Okinawa, Japan; and now Joint Base Andrews in Maryland. Lauren and James have 4 children: Gabe (10), Emery (7), Willow (5), and Kanan (1).

Lauren has been involved in music and children's ministries since her childhood and, as an adult, has extensive experience leading worship on staff in several churches. As she grew and learned more about church ministry, Lauren developed a heart for faith formation in youth and children. While helping

with family ministry programs and leading youth worship teams, she began to prepare for what she sensed God was calling her to, enrolling in a Family Ministry degree program at Liberty University.

As part of the interview process, Lauren shared:

“After serving in student and children’s ministry overseas and in the states, I am most excited to implement practices I have seen be effective and to be a part of Greenwich’s next step of growth. As I have grown and created a family of my own, God has lit a fire within me for helping parents and children connect and grow in Christ together... I have seen the impact a church can have on the families within their community when they partner with the parents and provide realistic and fruitful ways for parents to create intentional Christ-centered conversations within their home and day to day lives.”

Lauren and her family will join us for worship this Sunday, May 15 and are relocating to our area this month. As she begins this new role and gets to know the Greenwich



community and our life together, please pray for God’s spirit to be at work in her and in our families. And please welcome them and get to know them in the coming weeks!