



Greenwich Presbyterian Church

January 19, 2025

9:00am

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come - this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Gathering for Worship

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Call to Worship (from Ephesians 2 and 3)

Leader: For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith, and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God, not by works, so that no one can boast.

People: *For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.*

Leader: Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us.

People: *To him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.*

Hymn 110

"We Come, O Christ, to You!"

Morning Prayer

God of glory, fill your church with the power that flows from Christ's resurrection, that, in the midst of the sinful world, it may signal the beginning of a renewed humanity, risen to new life with Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Sharing the Peace of Christ and Congregational Life

"O, How I Love Jesus" (v.1) 109

Offering

"O, How I Love Jesus" (v.2&3) 109

Blessing of the Children and The Lord's Prayer

Sermon Romans 1:1-17

"The Great Ends of the Church: Proclamation of the Gospel"

Hymn

"Christ for the World! We Sing" 561

Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles' Creed (Unison)

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.*

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Response

*Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning, new mercies I see
All I have needed thy hand hath provided
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!*

Benediction

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### **Please be in prayer this week for our church family & friends**

Jack Carroll, Ronnie Cooper, Lisa Crafton, Elsie Davis, Pat Egan, Ern Johnson, Paul Labazzetta, Glenn Lovin, Ada McGlothlin, Lori Mills, Jessica Perkins, Janet Ruby, Glenn Telford, Diana van Broekhoven, the family of Alma Webster, Darryl White, Judy Young.

### **For Continuing Care**

Dixie Baker, Donna Bloom, Diane Carroll, Greg Cook, Sterling & Lorraine Cooper, Judy Dickerson, Audrey Ann Edwards, Tim Everett, Tyler & Dana Fry, Kay Hinegardner, Michael Jackson, Judy Kifer, Jane Lion, Keith & Linda Maliniak, Lew Mohr, Kim Palfrey, Jim Pittman, Lon Quinones, Marilyn Ricketts, Elsie Shrewsbury, Ronnie Skewes, Stephanie Stallard, Peggy Swecker, Phil Swinford, Rollin van Broekhoven, Richard & Alana Wallace, Pat Wengert, Cecily West, Darryl White, Becky Whitelock, Bob Williamson, Judy Young.

### **Praises**

The quiet and faithful work of our Sunday School teachers and nursery attendants, as they share God's love with young and old alike.

### **Serving our Country**

Kieran Bateman, Brendan Binniker, Ryan Binniker, Justin Fang, Michelle Fleurat, MD, Ray Franze, Alex Frazier, Alesia Hilton, Ashton Hilton, Hayden Hilton, Lee Loudermilk, JR McMillan, Stirling Martin, Tyler Spittle, Luke Sturges, Carter Walchli, Jason West, Jakob Wine, Joshua Wine.

### **Greenwich Birthdays This Week**

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|---------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Jan 19 Scott Heckathorn   | Jan 20 Payson Sturges  | Jan 24 Chad Cavender    |
| Jan 19 Cynthia Mills      | Jan 21 Michael Jackson | Jan 24 Leslie McMillan  |
| Jan 19 Charlotte Schuyler | Jan 23 Shaun Brinkley  | Jan 25 Schelly Harrison |
| Jan 20 Shirley Howland    |                        |                         |

### **January Memory Verse**

*"Jesus answered,*

*"I am the way and the truth and the life.*

*No one comes to the Father except through me.*

*John 14:6*

### **Congregational Meeting**

**January 26 (10:00am)**

The Session has called our annual winter Congregational meeting in the sanctuary on Sunday, January 26, at 10:00am. Childcare will be available. The purpose of the meeting is to:

- Elect the 2025 Congregational Nominating Committee
- Celebrate 2024 ministry highlights,
- Present 2024 year-end financial reports,
- Open conversation on the life of the church, including an update on denominational realignment

**Women Flying Solo, January 20 (12:00pm)** – We will meet for a jigsaw puzzle party at the home of Pat Eggers. Sandwiches and beverages will be provided. Please bring a small side to share. For those who are not fans of jigsaw puzzles there will be other options for a fun afternoon. Please RSVP to Pat at 540.347.2727.

**Community Service Quilt Day @ Nokesville Church of the Brethren, January 20 (9:00a-3:00pm)** – Join us for a day of service and fellowship as we prepare quilts for those in nursing homes, hospitals, CASA, UVA Cancer Center and more. We'll share a potluck lunch together at 12:00pm – bring a dish to share. For more information, contact Lisa House at [bikelshouse@gmail.com](mailto:bikelshouse@gmail.com) or 703.594.2308.

**Financial Peace University (Mondays, February 3-March 31 (6:30-9pm)** – This biblically based program is a streamlined way to change your financial habits. Over 9 weeks, you'll develop a plan and the tools you need to pay off debt once and for all, invest wisely, and live out what the Bible teaches about money. Sponsored by our young adult fellowship, dinner is included each week and childcare is available. Register at [greenwich.churchcenter.com](http://greenwich.churchcenter.com) or contact the church office.

**2025 Women's Retreat "Follow the Flame- Following God's Guiding and Direction in Our Lives " March 21-23** – Join us at the Massanetta Springs Conference Center in Harrisonburg. Our speaker this year is Rebecca Burtram. Sign up in the lobby in between services or on Church Center. Deadline to register is March 2. For more information, contact Leyla Scott at [LScott@wdpa.com](mailto:LScott@wdpa.com).

**Wednesday Night Programs, has resumed –**

**Kids Club** (K-5th) 5-6:30pm, in the Kids Wing.

**Youth Group** (6th-12th) 6-7:30pm, in Fellowship Hall.

**Men’s and Women’s Discipleship Groups** 6:30-7:30pm, in the Sanctuary Classrooms.

**Handbell Choir** 6pm and **Chancel Choir** 7-8:30pm in the Sanctuary. Contact the office for more info.

**Guys Monday Night Discipleship, 5th-12<sup>th</sup> Grade (5:00-6:00pm)** – We are studying Francis Chan’s “*What is a Christian?*” led by Jeff Dane. We meet in the Education Building Conference Room.

**Girls Tuesday Night Discipleship, 5th-12<sup>th</sup> Grade (6:00-7:30pm)** – Led by Lauren Sandifer (at the Sandifer home) we are studying Francis Chan’s “*What is a Christian?*”

**Church Potluck**

**Sunday, February 2, 5:00pm**

Join us for our monthly dinner in the Fellowship Hall! Chicken will be provided. Bring a main dish, a side dish or dessert to share with the church family.

**Mission Update**

**Family Shelter Services** helps over 400 people annually with emergency shelter and a transitional housing program for families. Their programs provide struggling individuals and families with crucial life skills related to budgeting, employment, nutrition, and parenting. The caring staff and volunteers maintain a safe environment and a path to dignity, responsibility and hope.

[familyshelterservices.org](http://familyshelterservices.org)

**Comfort Drive:** This winter, we are helping to provide *new pillows and bath towels* to residents. These items offer comfort and dignity during a difficult season. Items can be dropped off along with food donations in the lobby on Sundays or the church office during the week.

**Generation to Generation (G2G) Update - Giving through 01/13/25**

G2G Campaign Goal = \$ 1,200,000

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| <b>Total - G2G Gifts received (51.3% of Goal)</b>             | <b>\$</b>      |
|                                                               | <b>615,652</b> |
| <b>Mortgage</b> - Gifts designated as principal payments      | \$ 352,708     |
| <b>Campus</b> - Gifts designated for basement renovation      | \$ 160,000     |
| <b>Mission</b> - Gifts designated for future mission projects | \$ 102,944     |

The Campus basement renovation project is fully funded and well underway. Undesignated G2G gifts are now 50% designated for Mortgage - building loan principal payments, and 50% designated into Mission as a mission/denominational realignment reserve fund. As always, gifts designated specifically for Mortgage, Campus, or Mission will be fully included in that G2G category.

We are preparing a year-end financial report for 2024 to be presented at the Congregational Meeting next Sunday January 26th.

Please use the white G2G envelopes in the pews for your campaign gifts. The green envelopes are for your regular tithes and offerings. You may also give to both online. Questions? Contact Phil Porter our Pastoral Administrator.

**2024 Contribution Letters**

Letters for contributions to the church in 2024 will be mailed by the end of January. If you do not receive one by early February, or have questions, please contact our Finance Administrator, Joy Yates, at [joyyates@greenwichpres.org](mailto:joyyates@greenwichpres.org).

**Part-Time Staff Position Available - Tech Team Lead**

We are interviewing for a new staff position to oversee Audio-Visual services for the church including running the sound board for services, training and leading our volunteer Tech Team, and managing all Audio-Visual equipment.

If you or someone you know is interested in more information, please contact our Pastoral Administrator, Phil Porter by emailing [campus@greenwichpres.org](mailto:campus@greenwichpres.org).