Greenwich Presbyterian Church July 6, 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

Humble yourself in the sight of the Lord

(Humble yourself in the sight of the Lord) Humble yourself in the sight of the Lord

(Humble yourself in the sight of the Lord) And He (and He), shall lift (shall lift) you up...higher and higher. And He (and He), shall lift (shall lift) you up.

Call to Worship

(Psalm 46)

- Leader: God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.
- Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the People: mountains fall into the heart of the sea.
- Leader: Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth melts.
- *People:* The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.
- Leader: The Lord says "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."
- *People:* The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Hymn

"God of Creation, All-Powerful"

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*National Hymn

Prayer

Loving God, you have so made us that we cannot live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from your mouth. Give us a hunger for your Word, and in that food satisfy our daily need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sharing the Peace of Christ and Congregational Life

Praise God from whom all blessings flow...

Offering

"Here I Am, Lord"	559
Blessing of the Children and The Lord's Prayer	
Sermon "The Parable of the Great Banquet"	Luke 14:1-24
Hymn "As We Gather at Your Table"	695

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Thanksgiving and Words of Institution

Leader: Lift up your hearts We lift them to the Lord. People: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Leader: It is right to give him thanks and praise. People: We join our voices with the heavenly choirs and with the Leader: faithful in every time in place, who forever sing the glory of your name: People: Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Send your Holy Spirit upon us now, we pray, Leader: That these gifts from your creation may be to us the communion of People: the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion of God's People

Prayer After Communion

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this Sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Response

"Now Let Us from This Table Rise" (v. 1)

Benediction

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Worship Leadership

Preaching – Associate Pastor Eric Beckman Worship – Rev. Ruth Anne Sawyer Accompanist – Margaret Mayhugh

Pastor's Class: Absorbing the Bible Sundays at 10am

In July & August, we'll be discussing different approaches, habits, and tools for Bible study, devotional life, and reading Scripture. Eric Beckman will lead along with perspectives from our elders and other leaders in the church on ways to receive the Word of God into our lives. Please be in prayer this week for our church family & friends Belden Bell, Christian, Lorraine Cooper, Chris & Gaby, Pat Egan, Jackson Griffin, Kasey, Ava Lindsey, Loretta, Jane Lion, Emma Place, Bill Porterfield, Haylee Ratliff, Kathryn Robison, Meghan Stubbs, Harold Webster, Pat Young.

For Continuing Care

Dixie Baker, Donna Bloom, Patti Bowman, Diane Carroll, Greg Cook, Sterling & Lorraine Cooper, Judy Dickerson, Audrey Ann Edwards, Tim Everett, Kay Hinegardner, Michael Jackson, Paul Labazzetta, Jaan Loger, Lew Mohr, Kim Palfrey, Lon Quinones, Marilyn Ricketts, Ronnie Skewes, Stephanie Stallard, Phil Swinford, Richard & Alana Wallace, Pat Wengert, Darryl White, Becky Whitelock, Bob Williamson, Judy Young.

Praises

The birth of Luke Samuel Taylor, son of Jack & Glenn Taylor, grandson of David & Becky Taylor, and great grandson of Jenny Snellings.

Serving our Country

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

Happy Birthday!

July 6 Chase Campbell July 6 Cruise Campbell July 6 Dayton French July 6 Sue Ellen Kinser July 7 Brad Schuyler July 8 Brett Hinkey July 8 Mindi O'Connor July 9 Russ Egan July 9 Emma Kerns July 10 Meredith Hinkey July 11 Janet DeBonis July 11 Sarah Rony July 11 Jill Sullivan

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VBS 2025 "Joy in the Sun" July 21-25 (5:30-8:00pm)

Join us for a week of joy-filled music, dance, art, games, and teaching. Kids will learn all about where joy comes from (or rather, who!) in this fun-packed, high-energy, silly week. To register your child, or to volunteer, contact Lauren McMillan at lmcmillan@greenwichpres.org.

VBS Adult Class: The Fear of the LORD, July 21-25 (6:15-7:45pm)

– For adults and students who want to attend VBS! We'll study an important theme that runs through the Bible: *What does it mean to "fear God"*? We'll also contrast with other things in life we may be afraid of (for good or ill) and hopefully bring a measure of understanding that leads to peace in a *fear-full* world. Led by Eric Beckman. Register in <u>Church Center</u> or contact office@greenwichpres.org.

Food Collection at Greenwich

Throughout the year, we collect food for local distribution during worship services and in the church office during office hours. Highlighted items this month include the following:

men's/women's deodorant	pancake mix
shampoo	syrup
conditioner	spaghetti sauce
paper towels	peanut butter
kitchen sponges	jelly
13-gallon trash bags	canned fruits
oatmeal	canned vegetables
small bags of rice	boxed crackers

Please pray for our local partners helping those with food insecurity in our community.

Summer Leadership

While our pastor, Don Meeks, is out on his summer sabbatical, in the event of emergencies, please contact: 703.409.1233 or <u>office@greenwichpres.org</u>. Pastor Beckman or Rev. Ruth Anne Sawyer (who is sharing in visitation and pastoral care during this time) will be in contact with you.

Get Connected

If you are interested in getting involved in our ministries or would like to learn more about membership in the Greenwich church family, please contact the office or explore our membership page with information, videos, & next steps. www.greenwichpres.org/membership



Quilting Day Camp, Tuesday, July 8 (10:00a-2:00p) – Parents and grandparents are invited to bring their child or grandchild, as we make quilts for our baby baskets. If it's your first time, you'll make a quilt to take home. Experience or equipment not necessary. Contact Lauren Lmcmillan@greenwichpres.org to register for more info.

Audio-Visual Volunteer Meeting, Sunday, July 20 (10:15am) – All currently involved, or interested in being involved, with the AV ministry here at Greenwich, are invited to join our new Audio-Visual Team Lead, Greg Denton, in the adult classroom #111 between services.

Women's Tea, Saturday, August 9 (10:00a-12:00p) – Ladies of the church are invited! Bring your favorite teacup and fancy hat for some fellowship and to learn about upcoming women's events at Greenwich. Light refreshments will be served. Register in <u>Church</u> <u>Center</u> or contact Leyla Scott at lscott@wdpa.com.

Thank You -- The family of Rollin Van Broekhoven thanks each of you, our brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus, for your thoughts, prayers, visits, cards, notes, meals, and emotional support during Rollin's recent illness. He was well aware that you were holding him and his family in your prayers and that was assurance for the coming days as well. Your ministry to us had been an example of the love Jesus taught and lived.

Generation to Generation (G2G) Update - Giving through 06/30/25		
G2G Campaign Goal = \$ 1,200,000		
Total - G2G Gifts Received (63.4% of Goal)	\$ 761,254	
Mortgage - Designated as extra principal payments	\$ 447,355	
Mission - Designated for future mission projects	\$ 148,399	
Campus - Designated for campus upgrades	\$ 165,500	

Thank you for your continued generosity in giving to our operational budget in addition to our G2G capital campaign. Please use the white G2G envelopes 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.