

# Greenwich Presbyterian Church

April 12, 2026

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.*

## The Second Sunday of Easter

### Gathering for Worship

*He is Lord! He is Lord!*

*He is risen from the dead and He is Lord!*

*Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess,*

*That Jesus Christ is Lord!*

### Call to Worship

(from 1<sup>st</sup> Peter 1)

Leader: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

People *In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.*

Leader: Though you have not seen him, you love him;

People: *And even though we do not see him now, we are filled with glorious joy.*

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: *The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!*

### Hymn

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*"That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright!"*

### Morning Prayer

*Almighty God, Lord of life, we praise you that by the resurrection of your Son you overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him. Grant that we who celebrate Christ's rising from the dead may be raised from the death of sin to the life of righteousness; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

### Sharing the Peace of Christ and Congregational Life

"Alleluia No. 1" (v.1)

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### Offering

"10,000 Reasons" (9:00)

Student Worship Band

"Alleluia No. 1 v.2-4" (11:00)

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### The Sacrament of Baptism (9:00)

Mackinnon McDonald

Son of Matt and Jennifer McDonald

### Blessing of the Children and The Lord's Prayer

### Sermon

Acts 2:42-47

"Marks of a Flourishing Church"

(p.1693)

### Hymn

"Church of God, Elect and Glorious"

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### Affirmation of Faith

Colossians 1:15-20

*Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible; all things were created by him and for him. He is before all things and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.*

### Response

*Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord*

*Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name*

### Benediction

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### Worship Leadership

Preaching – Pastor Don Meeks

Worship Assistant –David Everts (9:00) & Bill Barnhart (11:00)

Accompanist – Margaret Mayhugh

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

David Bannan, Diane Carroll, Colton, the family of Greg Cook, Jeanne Edwards, Pat Egan, Tom Foulke, Gwen Frye, Jeff Jones, Kelsey, Kerry, Paul Labazzetta, Deborah Lambert, Veronica Linero, Norma McNeill, the family of Peggy Dawson Nienaber, Melissa Scott, Autumn Spittle, John Tweel, Oliver Whitmer, Jane Yankey & Stephanie, Pat Yeager, Tom Young.

**For Continuing Care**

Dixie Baker, Donna Bloom, Patti Bowman, Diane Carroll, Sterling & Lorraine Cooper, Judy Dickerson, Dana Dotterweich, Audrey Ann Edwards, Tim Everett, Buzzy Foster, Gwen Frye, Kay Hinegardner, Michael Jackson, Kristi Johnson, Jane Lion, Jaan Loger, Lew Mohr, Kim Palfrey, Debbie Scheidemantel, Violette Sewell, Ronnie Skewes, Lynne Snow, Stephanie Stallard, Phil Swinford, Richard & Alana Wallace, Darryl White, Becky Whitelock, Bob Williamson.

**Praises**

The baptism this morning of Mack McDonald, son of Matt & Jen McDonald.

**Serving our Country**

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

**Happy Birthday!**

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| Apr 12 Jill Helou       | Apr 15 Lynn McNeill      |
| Apr 12 Doug Scott       | Apr 15 Robin Porch       |
| Apr 13 Tom Adams        | Apr 16 Andy Zwirko       |
| Apr 13 Gabe Lee         | Apr 17 Alison Fredericks |
| Apr 13 Tyler Tobolewski | Apr 18 Mike Kroskie      |
| Apr 14 Aprill Place     | Apr 18 Judy Tweel        |

**Men’s Gathering, Saturday, April 18 (8:00-10:00am)** – Please join our fellowship for a hearty breakfast and conversation. All men welcome!

**Prayer Gathering: For a Flourishing Church, April 19 (5:00pm)** – Please join our prayer team for this gathering to encourage prayer with renewed energy for the mission and ministry of Greenwich. We will focus prayers on our church’s ministry efforts, wisdom for leaders, vision for where God is leading the church, and the protection and guidance of the Holy Spirit in all matters.

**Women’s Mentally Healthy Faith Series, Tuesdays, begins May 5.** Join us for our next series titled *Loneliness: Why We Fear It; What It Teaches Us*. We’ve all felt the pain of loneliness—sometimes even when we’re surrounded by people. We’ve also felt disconnected from God, who promised he’d never leave us. So what do we do with this pain, and how can we reconnect? Group meets on Tuesdays, 9:30 – 11:00 am in the Sunday school rooms. Open to all women. Childcare is provided. To sign up, contact Becky Beane at [beanerebecca7@gmail.com](mailto:beanerebecca7@gmail.com).

**Farthest Corners Live & Silent Auction Items Needed** – We are looking for NEW items, i.e., gift cards, local experiences, home goods, etc. For our Live Auction, we are looking for donations of vacation home rentals, hotel stays, airlines tickets, etc. Items to donate? Contact Sue Ellen Kinser at [skinser@greenwichpres.org](mailto:skinser@greenwichpres.org).

**Welcome Gathering**  
**April 19 (10:00am & 12:00pm)**

Interested in learning more about membership at Greenwich? We will host an informal gathering after worship services on Sunday, April 19, at 10:00am and 12:00pm in the adult classrooms. Visit [office@greenwichpres.org](mailto:office@greenwichpres.org) or [greenwichpres.org/membership](http://greenwichpres.org/membership) to learn more.

**Farthest Corners 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Benefit  
Saturday, May 2 @ The Inn at Vint Hill**

**Silent Auction Opens - 5:30pm    Dinner Opens - 6:15pm  
Silent Auction Closes – 7:00pm    Live Auction Begins - 7:45pm**

Tickets \$75 per person

Ask about Business & Family Sponsorships!

Purchase tickets at [www.farthestcorners.org](http://www.farthestcorners.org), on Church Center,  
or in the lobby on Sunday mornings.

Childcare at the church is available during the event.

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**Generosity Update**

**Generation to Generation (G2G) as of April 6, 2026**

\$1,200,000	G2G Campaign Goal
<b>\$ 920,735</b>	<b>Total received (76.7% of Goal)</b>

We are so thankful for your generosity and continued faithfulness in giving! Please use the green envelopes in the pews to give your regular offerings and the white envelopes to make your Generation-to-Generation gifts. You may also give to both online.

Questions? Please contact Phil Porter our Pastoral Administrator at [pporter@greenwichpres.org](mailto:pporter@greenwichpres.org).

**The Sacrament of Baptism**  
*Mackinnon Wilson McDonald*  
*Son of Matt and Jennifer McDonald*

Presentation and Lighting of the Baptismal Candle

Baptismal Questions

Prayer over the Waters of Baptism

*We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved at creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of bondage in Egypt to the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Christ.*

*We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are blessed by the Spirit. Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come by faith, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

Baptism

Congregational Blessing

**Leader:** For you, the Spirit of God moved over the waters at creation, and the Lord God made covenants with his people.

**People:** *It was for you that the Word of God became flesh and lived among us, full of grace and truth.*

**Leader:** For you, Jesus Christ suffered death crying out at the end, "It is finished!"

**People:** *And for you Christ triumphed over death, rose in newness of life, and ascended to rule over all.*

**Leader:** All of this was done for you, though you do not know the fullness of this yet.

**People:** *But we will continue to tell you this good news until it becomes your own.*

**All:** *And so the promise of the gospel is fulfilled: "We love because God first loved us."*

Prayer for the Family and Welcome of the Newly Baptized