

# Greenwich Presbyterian Church

April 19, 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 Third Sunday of Easter

### Gathering for Worship

"Majesty" 43

### Call to Worship (From Philippians 2)

Leader: Jesus humbled himself and became obedient to death – even death on a cross.

People: *Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name,*

Leader: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

People: *And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

Leader: Christ is risen!

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

### Hymn

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" 59

### Prayer

*Lord of life, submitting to death, you conquered the grave. By being lifted on a cross, you draw all peoples to you. By being raised from the dead, you restore to humanity all that we had lost through sin. Throughout these fifty days of Easter we proclaim the marvelous mystery of death and resurrection. For all praise is yours, now and throughout eternity. Amen.*

### Sharing the Peace of Christ and Congregational Life

"How Firm a Foundation v.1" (9:00)

### Offering

"How Firm a Foundation v.2-5" (9:00) 411

"With a Voice of Singing" (11:00) Chancel Choir

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

### Sermon

Acts 2:42-47

"Marks of a Flourishing Church: *The apostles' teaching*" (p.1693)

### Hymn

"God's Holy Ways Are Just and True" 663

### 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

Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord in the power of his resurrection. Christ is risen!

People: *Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!*

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

The family of David Bannan, the family of Greg Cook, Jeanne Edwards, Karen Everts, Tom Foulke, Judy Fretts, Gwen Frye, Paul Labazzetta, Melissa Scott, Autumn Spittle, Tom Young.

### **For Continuing Care**

Dixie Baker, Donna Bloom, Patti Bowman, Diane Carroll, Sterling & Lorraine Cooper, Judy Dickerson, Dana Dotterweich, Audrey Ann Edwards, Pat Egan, Tim Everett, Buzzy Foster, Gwen Frye, Kay Hinegardner, Michael Jackson, Kristi Johnson, Jane Lion, Jeff Jones, 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 safe return of the Austin & Sinte House and family from Burma.

### **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 19 Laura Spota     | Apr 21 Aaron Schuyler  |
| Apr 20 Mark Hermes     | Apr 22 Drew Yates      |
| Apr 20 Enoch House     | Apr 23 Teresa Keller   |
| Apr 20 Paul Labazzetta | Apr 24 Michael Langer  |
| Apr 21 Karson Hawkins  | Apr 24 Tom O'Neill     |
| Apr 21 Andy Marshall   | Apr 25 Colston Francis |
| Apr 21 Tom Sandifer    |                        |

**Prayer Gathering: For a Flourishing Church, TODAY (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.

**Membership Class, April 26 & May 3 (3:30p)** – If you would like to explore membership at Greenwich, ways to get involved, learn more about Presbyterian “stuff,” and get to know our pastors and other leaders, this class is for you. We will meet for two weeks on Sunday afternoons in the adult classrooms. Please contact Maria in the church office if you plan to attend ([office@greenwichpres.org](mailto:office@greenwichpres.org)) and explore our membership page with for membership videos and other information: [www.greenwichpres.org/membership](http://www.greenwichpres.org/membership).

**Church Potluck, Sunday, May 3 (5:00pm)** – Join us for our monthly dinner in the Fellowship Hall! Bring a main dish, a side dish or dessert to share with the church family.

**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).

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### **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.

**Cultivating Flourishing Congregations Survey  
TODAY through May 17**

Over the next several months, our elders are leading the congregation through a significant process of evaluating and strengthening the health and vitality of our church. As a starting point, we invite you to complete a simple survey either online or with a paper version (in the lobby). In the coming days, look for other opportunities to engage including congregational meetings, prayer gatherings, and discussion forums in June & August.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Z889KFK>

**Generosity Update**

**Operating Budget – as of March 31, 2026**

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| \$ 150,000  | Operating Fund (initial amount set 1/1/26) |
| \$ 310,652  | Income – Year to Date                      |
| \$ 337,920  | Expense – Year to Date                     |
| \$ (26,268) | Net (income – expense)                     |

**Generation-to-Generation (G2G) as of March 9, 2027**

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|-------------------|---------------------------------------|
| \$1,200,000       | G2G Campaign Goal                     |
| <b>\$ 916,256</b> | <b>Total received (76.4% 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.

**Welcome Gathering**

**April 19 (TODAY at 10:00am & 12:00pm)**

New to Greenwich? Interested in learning more? We will host an informal gathering after worship services TODAY at 10:00am (in the fellowship hall) and 12:00pm (in the adult classrooms).

**Greenwich Gallery: Spring Art Show**

We are excited to feature the work of many artists in our Greenwich family over the next few weeks.

Artists include:

*Sarah Bouscaren*

*Linda Jett*

*George Flanagan*

*Callie Rector*

*Jacqueline Flanagan*

*Claire Reisner*

*Nicholas Gargiulo*

*Griffin Reisner*

*Glenn Howell*

*Linda Spittle*

*“Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.” 1 Corinthians 12:12-14*

**April Food Collection**

This month we'll collect non-perishable food for the Fauquier Family Shelter. Specific needs this month: disinfectant wipes, dish detergent, kitchen sponges, paper towels, toilet tissue, hand soap and Ziplock bags (quart and gallon). Donations can be dropped off in the lobby on Sundays or to the church office during the week. If you have questions, or to learn more about volunteering, contact our Greenwich liaison to the food pantry, Pat Eggers, at [lpe7322@yahoo.com](mailto:lpe7322@yahoo.com).