

Greenwich Presbyterian Church

July 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.

Gathering for Worship

"Step by Step" 494

Call to Worship (from Colossians 1 & 3)

Leader: Give thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light.

People: *For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.*

Leader: Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

People: *Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God.*

Hymn

"How Deep the Father's Love For Us"

*How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory*

*Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held him there until it was accomplished
His Dying breath has brought me life I know that it is finished*

*I will not boast in anything: no gifts, no power, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward, I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom*

Morning Prayer

Almighty God, you built your church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Jesus Christ himself as the cornerstone. Join us together by their teaching, so that we may be a holy temple in whom your Spirit dwells; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sharing the Peace of Christ and Congregational Life

"Worthy of Worship" (v.1) 137

Offering

"The Lord Is By My Side" Student Worship Team

Blessing of the Children and The Lord's Prayer

Sermon 1st Corinthians 4:1-7

"1st Corinthians: Those who have been given a trust..." (p.1772)

Hymn

"Take My Life and Let It Be" 466

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

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below. Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

Benediction

Preaching – Associate Pastor Eric Beckman
Worship Assistants – Samantha Meeks
Accompanist – David Steiner
Student Worship Team– Tierney Hill, Kayla Fyock,
Victoria Macovei, Julia Pinney

Summary of the July 7th Session meeting:

1. Welcomed guests, Samantha Meeks (CRE Intern) and Duane Mohr
2. Case study of theological integration (prepared by Lauren McMillan) on a recent gift from a church member.
3. Approved consent agenda items:
 - a. Minutes of 6/2/26 Session and 6/7/26 Congregational meetings
 - b. Received July reports: Clerk's, Building Use, Child Protection, Administrative Team (w/ May financials)
4. Approved 2026-2027 Preschool Budget
5. Administrative Team presented First Readings on:
 - a. Recommendation to proceed with Incorporation
 - b. 2025 Financial Review
 - c. Revised Financial Handbook
6. Denominational Realignment:
 - a. Reviewed response from National Capital Presbytery to Session settlement offer. NCP requires Greenwich to incorporate and secure a new appraisal of the property. If settlement payment made over time, a deed of trust and reversion clause will need to be included.
 - b. Target date for congregational vote – November 15, 2026
7. Reports and Information items:
 - a. Cultivating Flourishing Congregations process update
 - b. Personnel update on Director of Family Ministries search and recent conversation with consultant to assist with future pastoral leadership transition.
 - c. George Flanagan has successfully completed Commissioned Lay Pastor training.
 - d. Jason Kinser resigned as Ruling Elder due to relocation to Korea.
 - e. Pastors' reports were offered.
8. Meeting closed with calendar review and the Lord's Prayer.

The Basement Academy

Current Series: *Faith 250 – The American Scripture Project*

The Basement Academy is a daily (M-F) audio and video podcast led by Pastor Don Meeks. Audio on Spotify and Apple Podcasts. Videos are posted on the Greenwich website, Facebook page and YouTube each weekday morning.

VBS 2026 "Breakout," July 27-31 (5:00-8:00pm) – Join us for a week of puzzles, challenges, and escape-room style activities to teach that God is the one who breaks us free from the things that trap us – fear, doubt, mistakes, and everyday struggles. Each day introduces a new Bible story showing how God rescues, guides, and transforms lives. Dinner each evening costs just \$5 per person (with a \$40 cap per family). Nursery opens and check in begins at 5:30pm. Registration for kids & volunteers is open now in ChurchCenter!

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Opening in Adult Handbell Choir – We have an opening in the adult handbell choir this fall. We rehearse every Wednesdays from 6:00-7:00pm beginning September 9. Contact Debbie Gilbert at jdgilbert99@gmail.com or 703-402-5046 for more information.

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Don Meeks' Adult VBS (*VBS isn't just for kids!*)" July 27-31 (6:15-7:30pm) – Pastor Don will also be leading his adult class in the chapel this year. Join him for a week of friendly competition, study, and fellowship. Questions? Contact office@greenwichpres.org.

Kids Quilting Day, August 4 (9:00am-3:00pm) – All kids (parents and grandparents) are invited to join us for a day of quilting led by our Greenwich quilters. You'll make a quilt from start to finish, and lunch is provided! Childcare is available for those ages 0-5. There is no charge for this wonderful activity. Questions? Contact Lisa House at bikelhouse@gmail.com. Sign up now in ChurchCenter!

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Thursday Women's Bible Study, begins September 10 (9:30-11:30a)
Join us for our next Precept Upon Precept Bible study: Romans – Part 1. We meet in the adult classrooms with a zoom option provided. Contact Debbie Gilbert at jdgilbert99@gmail.com or 703.402.5046 by July 31 so a workbook (cost \$32.99) can be ordered for you.

Generosity Update

Generation-to-Generation (G2G) as of July 6, 2026

\$1,200,000 G2G Campaign Goal

\$ 957,812 Total received (79.8% of Goal)

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 – pporter@greenwichpres.org.

Please be in prayer this week for our church family & friends
Al & Kelli, Amber Bateman, Sarah Bouscaren, Diane Carroll, Hal & Kathleen Frampton, Gwen Frye, Suja Jung, Gilberto Machuca, Misti, Megan O'Neill, Patti, the family of Merlene Robb, the family of Mike Ryan, Melissa Scott, Charlotte Vedeler.

For Continuing Care

Dixie Baker, Patti Bowman, Diane Carroll, Sterling & Lorraine Cooper, Judy Dickerson, Audrey Ann Edwards, Pat Egan, Tim Everett, Buzzy Foster, Gwen Frye, Kay Hinegardner, Michael Jackson, Kristi Johnson, Jane Lion, Jeff Jones, Jaan Loger, Megan O'Neill, Kim Palfrey, Debbie Scheidemantel, Violette Sewell, Ronnie Skewes, Lynne Snow, Stephanie Stallard, Phil Swinford, Richard & Alana Wallace, Darryl White, Becky Whitelock, Bob Williamson, Letcher Woody.

Praises

The marriage of Josh Adler & Hannah Franchois, granddaughter of Helen Franchois.

Serving our Country

Jackson Arnold, Kieran Bateman, Andrew Beckman, Justin Fang, 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!

July 13 Lyda Barnhart

July 17 Charlie Peele

July 13 Becca Roeber

July 18 Sam Beard

July 13 Renee Silvestain

July 18 Eric Beckman

July 15 Chandon Sutton

July 18 Bridget Sullivan

July 16 Kristin Thurston