



August 23, 2023

Dear Friends of Second Church,

These days our town seems strangely empty — as if anyone with the power to be elsewhere has gone for it, and left the rest of us behind.

No danger of getting to the supermarket too late and finding all the good peaches long gone.

No hovering for a parking spot on the Avenue, trying to give people time and space to back out without provoking undeserved, angry honks from all the other drivers behind you.

I'm told the Island ferry is like a ghost ship right now.

If you go to see that new Tom Cruise movie over in Port Chester, I think they might even pay **you** at this point.

We take our breaks when we can, I know, and have to seek our adventures whenever opportunities present themselves. Such experiences are central to our growth, and growth is central to our happiness.

I get it.

Still, there's something very much to be said for the comforts of home — particularly when we have a break from our busiest seasons.

There are chairs in the Parsonage I'm too busy to sit in from Thanksgiving until Christmas. In fact, there's one that Liz and I have taken to calling my "country house," because of how rarely I seem to visit it.

So I don't mind the chance to sit tight even as everyone else is somewhere else, hanging loose.

Whatever it is that offers us peace and clarity is worth celebrating—and appreciating.

What a blessing it is to begin our next season with the great gift of a thankful heart.

See you in church,

Max

Worship with us this Summer!

Traditional Worship

Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Service will be available via Livestream

Sermons are always
available online:
[2CCSermons](#)

If you can't make it in person, join us
via [Livestream for our 9:30 a.m.](#)
Sunday service.

Church office summer hours:

Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Friday 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Summer Children's Chapel and Nursery Care

Children's Chapel and Nursery Care aligns with our summer worship schedule
Sundays 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Children of all ages welcome to attend service for a multi-generational experience in
the Chapel, or to come by the nursery room for some Godly Play!
Children encouraged to come dressed to play and explore the outdoors!

Registration not required but helpful for us to best know and love your child.

[Click here to register for Children's Chapel this
Sunday](#)

Mark your calendars...

END OF SUMMER GIRLS CIRCLE

2CC in partnership with YWCA Greenwich



*"Girls Circle camp is a place to be yourself and learn about becoming the best girl you can be."
- 2019 Camper*

AUG 28 & 29

9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

- \$100 registration fee
- Early drop-off and lunch bunch available upon request
- Financial Aid is available for all qualifying applicants

For girls entering grades 6, 7 or 8 in Fall 2023

A two day program where new friendships grow. Girls learn & build self-esteem through games, crafts, workshops with local artists, writers, role models and fun!

SECOND
CONGREGATIONAL
CHURCH OF GREENWICH
139 E. Putnam Avenue

[Details at 2CC.org](https://www.2cc.org)



Roll out of bed and join us in your PJs for

TEDDY BEAR STORY HOUR
WITH JENNY

— at —

COFFEE FOR GOOD



Saturdays • July 29, August 26 & September 30

8 to 9 am

48 Maple Avenue, Greenwich, CT 06830

Only a few spaces left - sign up today!

[Click here to register for Girls Circle](https://www.2cc.org)

Join Jenny at Coffee for Good in your PJ's this Saturday for a special "Unicorn Themed" Story Hour!

Homecoming Weekend Update

Homecoming
BBQ
at 2CC!

Friday,
September 8
5:30 p.m.

Country Favorites with
Jeff & Alexander



Pig Rig BBQ Food Truck provided
by Community Life.
Donations gladly accepted!



"For I am about to do something new. See, I have already begun!"
Isaiah 43:19A, NLT

Saturday of Service
September 9, 2023
9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

*2CC is partnering with Church World Service
to assemble hygiene packs*

**Please join our Outreach Committee to help
assemble 500 hygiene packs to be distributed
by Church World Service.
All ages are welcome!**



**Click here to learn more about
CWS**

HOME COMING SUNDAY

We're saving you a seat!

Sunday, September 10
Worship at 10:30 a.m.
featuring a Bluegrass Band

Family picnic immediately after worship.
Please bring a side dish to share.

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