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SERVING THE GREENBURGH COMMUNITY FOR 112 YEARS

Sunday

May 17, 2026

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The church in the heart of the community with the people of the community in it's heart

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We've Come This Far By Faith

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Old Testament

Psalms 40:1-9 NKJV

1 I waited patiently for the Lord; and he inclined to me, and heard my cry.

2 He also brought me up out of a horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my steps.

3 He has put a new song in my mouth; Praise to our God; Many will see it and fear, and will trust in the Lord

4 Blessed is that man who makes the Lord his trust, And does not respect the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies.

5 Many, O Lord my God, are your wonderful works which you have done; and your thoughts towards us cannot be recounted to you in order; If I would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be numbered.

6 Sacrifice and offering You did not desire; My ears You have opened. Burnt offering and sin offering You did not require.

7 Then I said, "Behold I come; In the scroll of the book it is written of me.

8 I delight to do Your will, O my God, And Your law is within my heart."

9 I have proclaimed the good news of righteousness In the great assembly; Indeed, I do not restrain my lips, O Lord, You Yourself know.

New Testament

John 9:19-25 NKJV

19 And they asked them, saying, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?"

20 His parents answered them and said, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind;

21 but by what means he now sees we do not know, or who opened his eyes we do not know. He is of age; ask him. He will speak for himself."

22 His parents said these things because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had agreed already that if anyone confessed that He was Christ, he would be put out of the synagogue.

23 Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

24 So they again called the man who was blind, and said to him, "Give God the glory! We know that this Man is a sinner.

25 He answered and said, "Whether He is a sinner or not I do not know. One thing I know: that though I was blind, now I see."

May 2026 - Weekly Witness Guide

Scripture Readings and Devotional

WEEK 1 - May 3, 2026

Theme: "The Risen Christ Commissions Imperfect People"
Matthew 28:19-20

Jesus gave the Great Commission to disciples who were worshiping Him while some still doubted; He commissioned them anyway. Your imperfections, your inconsistencies, and your unanswered questions do not disqualify you from being used by God. The risen Christ has always worked through imperfect people, and He is not about to stop now.

WEEK 2 - May 10, 2026

Theme: "Love Opens the Door"
John 21:15-17

When Jesus restored Peter He connected love directly to purpose, "If you love Me, feed My sheep." Genuine witnessing is never a religious obligation or a spiritual technique but simply love for Jesus overflowing into love for people. When people feel truly cared for and genuinely noticed, they become open to hearing about the One who taught you to love them.

Weekly Witness Guide

Scripture Readings and Devotional

WEEK 3 - May 17, 2026

Theme: "The Unlikely Witness"

John 9:20-25

The man born blind could not answer every theological argument the Pharisees threw at him, but he could say with absolute confidence, "I was blind and now I see." Nobody could take that from him. Your history, including the parts you are most ashamed of, are often the most powerful evidence that Jesus Christ is alive and still changing lives. The people who knew you before Christ are watching you after, and that contrast is a sermon no one can argue with.

WEEK 4 - May 24, 2026

Theme: "The Holy Spirit Makes You a Witness"

Acts 1:1-11 - Ascension Sunday Week

Before Jesus ascended He made an extraordinary promise, that His disciples would receive supernatural power to be His witnesses in the world. You are not sent out expected to witness in your own strength. The same Holy Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead goes before you, speaks through you, and seals the results after you. Your responsibility is simply faithful availability - the Holy Spirit handles everything else.

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WEEK 5 - May 31, 2026

Theme: "Go - The Witness Never Stops"

Acts 2:1-4

Pentecost was the beginning of a witness that has never stopped, from Jerusalem to Judea to Samaria to the ends of the earth and all the way to you. The same Spirit who fell on those first disciples, that turned fishermen into preachers and frightened followers into fearless witnesses, lives in every believer today. The commission has not been cancelled, the power has not been withdrawn, and the harvest is still waiting the only question, is whether you will go?

MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

Acts 1:8 (NKJV)

"But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

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Thank You for Worshiping With Us Today

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