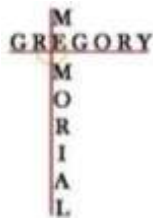


# THE HERALD

August - 2012



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Dear Gregory, Dear Brothers and Sister in Christ

“The House by the Side of the Road”



I grew up in a home where books were read, poetry was recited and music was listened to with abandon.

I have been grown for some time now, but my father’s recitations still ring in my ears and echo in my heart. One of his favorite poems was Sam Walter Foss’ “The House by the Side of the Road”.

The words of this poem resound with me still – reminding me that *whether one is talking about a family house or a house of worship*, our faith continues to call us to [prayerful actions and humble insight](#).

In Christ’s Love,

Rev. Bev

“The House by the Side of the Road” - By *Sam Walter Foss*

There are hermit souls that live withdrawn  
In the place of their self-content.  
There are souls like stars, that dwell apart,  
In a fellowless firmament;  
There are pioneer souls that blaze their paths  
Where highways never ran  
But let me live by the side of the road  
And be a friend to man.

Let me live in a house by the side of the road,  
Where the race of men go by  
The men who are good and the men who are bad,  
As good and as bad as I.  
I would not sit in the scorner's seat, or hurl the cynic's ban  
Let me live in a house by the side of the road  
And be a friend to man.

I see from my house by the side of the road,  
By the side of the highway of life,  
The men who press with the ardor of hope,  
The men who are faint with the strife.  
But I turn not away from their smiles nor their tears,  
Both parts of an infinite plan  
Let me live in a house by the side of the road  
And be a friend to man.

I know there are brook-gladdened meadows ahead  
And mountains of wearisome height;  
That the road passes on through the long afternoon  
And stretches away to the night.  
But still I rejoice when the travelers rejoice  
And weep with the strangers that moan,  
Nor live in my house by the side of the road  
Like a man who dwells alone.

Let me live in my house by the side of the road  
It's here the race of men go by  
They are good, they are bad, they are weak, they are strong,  
Wise, foolish, so am I.  
Then why should I sit in the scorner's seat, or hurl the cynic's ban  
Let me live in my house by the side of the road  
And be a friend to man.

## CLERK'S CORNER

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Session was held on Tuesday, July 17, 2012 and the following actions were taken:

- Approved the request of the Prince George Triad to use the church parking lot on Sept. 1, 2012 to sell pork butts.
- Approved the recommendation from the Stewardship & Finance Committee to cash in \$5,600.00 of the BB&T investment to cover remainder of the generator project.
- Approved recommendation from the Stewardship & Finance Committee to request from the congregation special donations to replenish the emergency capital improvements fund.

David E. Johnson  
Clerk of Session

### Worship Information for August 2012 Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church

#### Sunday, 05 August 2012

*18th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*Liturgical Color: Green*

*PCUSA Emphasis: Homelessness/Affordable Housing*

Old Testament: II Samuel 11:26-12:15

New Testament: Ephesians 4:1-16

Sermon: "What Is Said And Done In The Name of Love"

#### Sunday, 12 August 2012

*19th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*Liturgical Color: Green*

*PCUSA Emphasis: Higher Education*

Old Testament: II Samuel 18:5-9, 14-15, 28-33

New Testament: Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Sermon: "Do Not Grieve The Holy Spirit"

#### Sunday, 19 August 2012

*20th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*Liturgical Color: Green*

*PCUSA Emphasis: Youth in the Church and World*

Old Testament: I Kings 2:1-4, 10-12

New Testament: Ephesians 5:15-20

Sermon: "This Is Your Life"

#### Sunday, 26 August 2012

*21st Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*Liturgical Color: Green*

Old Testament: I King 8:1, 6, 10-13

New Testament: Ephesians 6:10-20

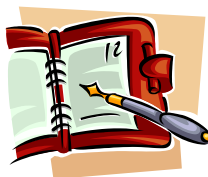
Sermon: "The Devil Resides In The Holiest Of Places"

## WORKCAMP



Workcamp participants; Jacob Spain, Herb Schroeter, Nikki Blount, Pamela Harsh, Bradley Cooper, Ellie Schumacher, Kayla Parsons, Dennis Allen, Bobby Allen, Sylvia Bullock, Josh Ingram, Morgan Ingram and Keith Spain would like to thank the church for their “goodie bags” that were presented to them on Sunday July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Also, thanks for the lunches that were donated by the different church groups, the cards send, visits made to the sites, and prayers for the group.

## SUMMER SUNDAY HOURS



Please note our summer hours will be 9:15 am Sunday School and 10:00 am Worship. These hours will conclude on Sunday August 26<sup>th</sup>.

## WE HAVE MOVED




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53 Somers Street  
Hartford, CT 06106  
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## CHURCH SECURITY SYSTEM & KEYS



Facilities would like for everybody that has a key and code to the church to contact Bobby Allen, as we are updating our codes on the alarm system. **IF YOU DO NOT CONTACT BOBBY THE CODE WILL BE DELETED.** Thank you for your support. Contact Bobby Allen with your code information, on his cell or home phone.

Keep up to date with the workings of our Church, log onto the websites of Gregory  Memorial, Presbytery of the James, Synod of the Mid-Atlantic and Presbyterian Church USA.

**REMINDER** - Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church  
Flag Memorial Eagle Project  
THEIR NAME WILL GO DOWN IN HISTORY  
INDIVIDUAL BRICK/PAVER

Your donation of **\$50** or more entitles YOU to have your name engraved into a brick/paver as a lasting record of your loved one. This will be permanently installed in the Gregory Memorial Flag Monument in honor of the members of the congregation that served in our military. For more information contact me at Jason.troop900@yahoo.com

**A unique and lasting record of your support**

*A tribute to someone special. A memorial to a loved one.*

Engraving details: Please print clearly in block letters. Each square represents one letter, number, space or punctuation mark. (28 max)

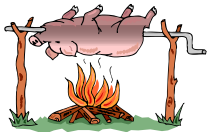

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Simply fill out this form and return with full payment by check or money order to: **Boy Scout Troop 900**

Contact Name: .....

Address: .....

Phone: .....

**Jason Hundley of Boy Scout Troop 900** needs your support!



**Prince George TRIAD** will be taking orders for pork butts from now until August 24<sup>th</sup>. They will be sold for \$25. Pick-up date is September 1<sup>st</sup> from 12 pm - 2:00 pm at Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church parking lot located at 6300 Courthouse Road, Prince George, VA. Orders can be placed with the PG Sheriff's Office (733-2690), the Police Department (863-1820), Brenda Bond and Judy Recher, or with member of TRIAD. Prepaid orders can be mailed to Barbara Allin, 5728 Allin Rd., Prince George, VA 23875. Checks should be made out to "County of Prince George" with the following numbers in the memo line - 102107-46042.

Have you noticed something new in the sanctuary? It would be the beautiful banners located behind the choir loft. OUTREACH has supplied those to provide a seasonal lift. No fair daydreaming during Beverly's uplifting sermons!

### SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

Please have any information/articles for the September Newsletter into the office by **9:00am, Tuesday, morning August 28th.**



Dear Friends,

Boy Scout Troop 900 has obtained permission from the Session of Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church to embark on a project of replacing the windows in the Temple Building (a.k.a. the Scout Hut) with double pane, insulated, tilt out replacement windows. As you may know, this building is heated by a propane furnace in the winter and cooled with fans in the summer. Currently, the windows are in such poor shape, that opening them in the summer months has become quite challenging. We feel that these windows will certainly help in lowering the utility costs as well as provide some additional comfort when using the building.

Troop 900 is asking for your help in replacing all twenty (20) windows in this building. The total cost of the project is \$6,269 which averages out to be \$313.45 per window. These windows will carry a 25 year warranty and a lifetime glass breakage warranty.

The Troop is planning on placing a small plaque under each window to honor the donor or donors who contribute towards the project. If you would like to contribute a window in honor or in memory of someone, please contact either Phil Hagerich or me:

Phil Hagerich

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804-357-7369

Kevin Foster

[kevin.foster@bsvnet.com](mailto:kevin.foster@bsvnet.com)

804-896-2400

Checks can be made payable to BSA Troop 900 and given to either contact or mailed to the Church. I thank you for your past contributions towards making the scouting program at Gregory one of the best programs in our area.

Yours in Christ and Scouting

Kevin Foster

Church Treasurer

Troop 900 Chartered Organization Representative

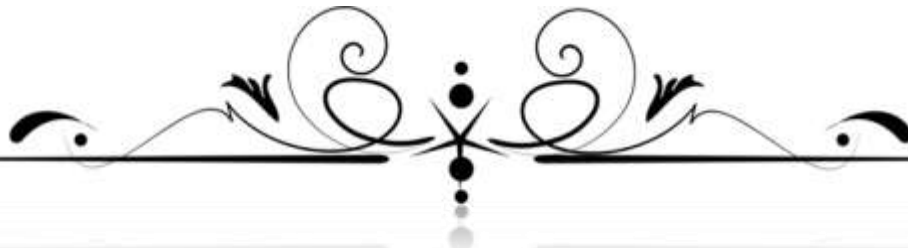


## PNC News

Serving on the Pastor Nominating Committee has been rather like riding a roller coaster at Busch Gardens. We work diligently to complete a particular task (climb to the top of a steep hill), and celebrate on the way down. We then tackle the next task (climb the next hill) until we complete that one, and then celebrate the completion of that. This ride is not for the weak or the faithless. It requires strength in knowing that God has a plan and we just have to figure out where or what the plan is.

We have been on this roller coaster now for 18 months and are looking forward to coasting into the station and getting off! However, we have hit a few bumps (minor setbacks) within the last month. Two candidates who we thought would be excellent for our church and congregational needs, have decided that Gregory is not where God is calling them. So we have prayed a lot, met a lot, talked, emailed, texted, visited, and cried (that would have been me, of course!). We are now continuing our interview process of others who we also feel are equally as fitted for us. We look forward to the time when God feels we have found the right person, and that person feels God has found them the right congregation.

Keeping the faith,  
Sandy Hunter  
Moderator, PNC



### *Those Who Serve – August, 2012*

	August 5	August 12	August 19	August 26
<b>Nursery</b>	Debra Bailey	Ruby Spain	Robbi Foster	Glenda Mayhew
<b>Junior Church</b>	Valerie Harsh & Pamela Harsh	Mary Kay Schroeter & Kevin Foster	Mary Beth Coleman & Madison Foster	Jennifer Smyth & Jared Smyth
<b>Junior Sermon</b>	Susan Walker	Rev. Beverly Bullock	Valerie Harsh	Pat Hunter
<b>Ushers</b>	Keith Spain, Ruby Spain, Jacob Spain & Herb Schroeter	Bobby & Donna Allen, Velma Allen & Brenda Bond	Wayne Powers, Verne Smith, Bobby Allen & Marguerite Bishop	Shiela Fields, Janet Swinton, Rose Scott & Wayne Powers
<b>Announcements</b>	Jerry Bond	Dianne Overstreet	Pat Hunter	Mary Kay Schroeter
<b>Counting</b>	Sandy Hunter Sheila Fields	Ron Recher, Rose Scott	Donald Hunter Glenda Mayhew	Morgan Ingram David Johnson

## *Flowers for August*

August 5<sup>th</sup> - The Hunters

August 12<sup>th</sup>

August 19<sup>th</sup>

August 26<sup>th</sup>

*Gatekeeper:*

Donald Hunter



### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

Ruby Hasky	Ed Smiley ( <i>Friend of Doug Holc</i> )
Christine Belsches	Katherine Tompkins
Aida Faries	Mary Chadwick ( <i>Dink Armstrong's sister</i> )
June Hawks	Virginia Mika ( <i>sister of Grace and Helen Cibula</i> )
Harry Johns	<i>Gladys Wiseman</i>
Marian McDonald	Matt Mauger
Helen Cibula	Joan Mann
Audrey Turner	PNC



# AUGUST, 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
			7:00pm Choir	2-8:00pm Cleaning		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
<b>9:15am</b> Sunday School <b>10:00am</b> Worship	<b>2:00pm</b> Line Dancing  <b>6:30pm</b> Missions & Outreach	<b>12:30pm</b> Day Circle  <b>7:00pm</b> Facilities & Worship	7:00pm Choir	2-8:00pm Cleaning		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
<b>9:15am</b> Sunday School <b>10:00am</b> Worship	<b>Noon</b> Widows Group  <b>2:00pm</b> Line Dancing  <b>6:00pm</b> Christian Ed	<b>9:00am</b> Committee Reports Due  <b>7:30pm</b> Evening Circle	7:00pm Choir	2-8:00pm Cleaning		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<b>9:15am</b> Sunday School <b>10:00am</b> Worship	2:00pm Line Dancing	7:00pm Session Meeting	7:00pm Choir	2-8:00pm Cleaning		
26	27	28	29	30	31	
<b>9:15am</b> Sunday School <b>10:00am</b> Worship 5 Cents A Meal Offering	2:00pm Line Dancing	<b>9:00am</b> Newsletter Articles Due	7:00pm Choir			



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**COME JOIN US!!**  
Sunday School 9:15 A.M.  
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