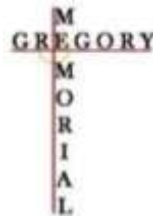


THE HERALD

November - 2012



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Dear Gregory Memorial,
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

CITIZENS OF TWO WORLDS



“But our citizenship is in Heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ.”
Philippians 3:20 NIV (New International Version)

Can you sense the tension in the air? Some people have already begun to feel the crunch. It is November 2012, and they are asking themselves, “Where has the year gone?” “When will I find the time?” “How am I supposed to do two things at once?”

This month truly symbolizes a “horn of plenty”, as we observe and participate in the following time-honored observances: Daylight Savings Time ends (November 04), Election Day (November 06), Veterans Day (November 11) and Thanksgiving Day (November 22).

This is all a part of our living in the here and now. But what about the later?

Those of us who profess Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior are citizens of two worlds. Called to live on this earth, we are equally called to prepare ourselves for an eternal life with God. It is a tall order that

demands the very best of our human and spiritual natures.

As followers of the risen Christ, let us keep things in perspective. On December 2, 2012, Christians will begin a New Year as we enter the season of Advent. The Church Universal will be ablaze in purple or blue, as she awaits the birth of Jesus, as well as his second coming.

So, let us pause for a moment in this rapid-fire world---acknowledging God’s permission for us to live our lives: one-breath-at-a-time, one-heartbeat-at-a-time, one-step-at-a-time and one-day-at-a-time.

If you listen---very carefully---you will hear God saying, “Yes, my child, you CAN do two things at once---with my help!”

Rev. Bev

Worship Information for November 2012 Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church

Sunday, 04 November 2012

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgical Color: Green

“Dedication Sunday”

Sacrament of Holy Communion

PCUSA Emphasis: Stewardship Commitment

Old Testament: Ruth 1:1-18

New Testament: Mark 12:28-34

Sermon: “What’s It worth to You?”

Sunday, 11 November 2012

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgical Color: Green

PCUSA Emphasis: Caregivers

“Work Camp Sunday”

Sunday, 18 November 2012

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgical Color: Green

Old Testament: I Samuel 1:4-20

New Testament: Hebrews 10:11-25

Sermon: “Sacrifices”

Sunday, 25 November 2012

Christ the King – Reign of Christ

Liturgical Color: White

Old Testament: II Samuel 23:1-7

New Testament: Revelation: 1:4b-8

Sermon: “After All Is Said And Done”

OUR PRAYER IN TIMES OF JOY AND CONCERN.....

Ruby Hasky	Ed Smiley (Friend of Doug Holc)
Christine Belsches	Katherine Tompkins
Aida Faries	Mary Chadwick (Dink Armstrong’s sister)
June Hawks	Ed Armstrong
Marian McDonald	Jimmy Belsches (Son of Christine Belsches)
	Jessica Griffin (Niece of Sheila Fields)
Don Vtipil	Harvey Spain (Father of Keith Spain)
	Inez Paul (Mother of Mary Holc)
Gladys Wiseman	2012-2013 School Year
Audrey Turner	Mary Kay Schroeter
PNC	Pamela Harsh

CALENDAR EVENTS

**Daylight Saving Time
Ends - Nov. 4 @ 2:00 am**

**Bull Hill Road Cleanup-
Nov. 3 @ 8:45 am**

**Dedication Sunday
- Nov. 4**

**Election Day – Nov. 6
Veterans Day – Nov. 11**

**Workcamp Sunday &
Potluck Lunch - Nov. 11**

**Newsletter Article
Deadline - Nov.16**

**Congregational Meeting -
Nov. 18**

**“Hot Chocolate, Cookies”
& Holiday Parade - Dec.
1**

**TRIAD Christmas Lunch
-
Dec. 17**

**HOLIDAY OFFICE
HOURS - 9 AM to 2 PM
Thanksgiving: Nov.20,
21,2 Christmas: Dec. 26,
27, 28
New Year’s: Jan. 2, 3, 4**

THE CLERK’S CORNER

By David E. Johnson

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church Session was held on Tuesday, October 16, 2012 and the following actions were approved:

- Sunday, November 11, 2012 to be Workcamp Sunday.
- Posting of James House and Cares posters in the women’s restrooms.
- Liquidation of \$332.62 from the Library Fund and the funds be used to carpet the east stairwell.
- Liquidation of \$167.04 from the Sound System Fund and put these funds in the Capital Improvements account.
- Having a potluck luncheon after worship on November 11, 2012.
- TRIAD having their Christmas luncheon at Gregory Memorial on Monday, December 17, 2012.
- **Holiday office hours, as follows:** *Thanksgiving week* – Tues. (11/20), Wed. (11/21), Fri. (11/23); *Christmas week* – Wed. (12/26), Thurs. (Dec. 27), Fri.(Dec. 28); *New Years week* – Wed. (01/02), Thurs. (01/03), Fri. (01/04).
- Having congregational meeting on November 18 for purpose of electing elders and a trustee.

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COOKIES & HOT CHOCOLATE AFTER DEC. 1 CHRISTMAS PARADE

By Donald Hunter

Gregory will again be hosting an after-the-Christmas Parade “Cookies & Hot Chocolate” on Saturday, December 1st.

So, save a spot on your calendar to join in the festivities and enjoy the beginning of the Christmas

Season!

There will be an opportunity to serve after the Parade or just to help out by baking some homemade” cookies (even if you buy them)!

The Youth will be

entering the Gregory Float in the Parade again this year, and they are sure to dazzle everyone with their creativity.

So come out to see the Parade, support our Youth, and serve the community!

CONGREGATIONAL NOMINATING COMMITTEE

By Donald Hunter

Your CNC has been hard at work to draft a slate of names to present to you (The Congregation of Gregory) on November 18 at the Congregational Meeting.

Not only will there be an election of members to serve on our session, but also the election of three (3) members to serve on next year’s CNC.

These are *YOU*, members of the congregation to be nominated from the floor to serve, with two Elders appointed by the Session. It makes no difference if you are serving in any other capacity; you can still serve as a member of the CNC.

The committee only need meet a few times and select a slate of names to be

nominated; the Congregation elects the members to serve as active session members.

Think of those who you would like to see serve on the CNC next year and ask them if you may nominate them. Or, just go ahead and “step up to the plate”--- volunteer *your own name* to be considered.

WORKDAY THANK-YOU!

By Bobby Allen

On behalf of the Facilities Committee, I would like to thank everyone for attending our Workday on October 6.

We had a very good turnout. If you see anyone from the Scouts, give them a big “thank-you” also. They

were a tremendous help that day.

We can always use more hands!

DEDICATION SUNDAY DRAWS NEAR

By Sandy Hunter

Sunday, November 4 is Dedication Sunday on the church calendar. So, what does that mean for each of us? Maybe the pastor will have a special sermon about giving more money or the choir will sing a special song or**STOP!** Let's think a little deeper and remember what it means to dedicate something.

The dictionary says dedicate means "to **commit** oneself to a certain course of action or thought." Commit is a pretty strong word when we compare it to how we feel about our spouse, our children and grandchildren,

our country, and, yes, our God. Is this not what we promised or was promised for us at our baptism, and when we joined the church. Did we not dedicate ourselves in service to God?

Well, now. Does that not shed a whole new light on Dedication Sunday? Yes, you will be asked to pledge your giving for 2013, to give according to God's grace in your life. You will also be asked to dedicate your time and talents to God. All of this is for the purpose of spreading the word of God to our neighbors and to the world community- to bring

the love of God to all that will listen through our fellowship and our missions. Are you dedicated to making a difference in our world in the name of Jesus Christ?

You will be receiving your letter from the Stewardship and Finance committee containing your pledge card as well as a copy of the proposed budget for 2013. Prepare your hearts and minds for November 4 when you will be asked to rededicate yourself to God and to your church.

REMINDERS

Potluck Lunch in Fellowship Hall after worship on November 11 (Workcamp Sunday)! **Bring your favorite dish to share.**

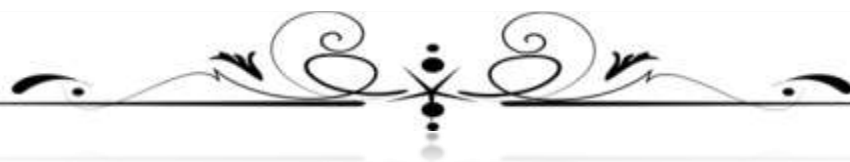
Reminder That Cleaning Volunteers Are Urgently Needed!

If you have approximately an hour that you would be able to help clean the Church at a time convenient to your own schedule, please sign up on the Cleaning Sheet on the Narthex table before you leave today. Call Jerry Bond or the Church Office to arrange access. Thanks to all who have given their time to clean.

Calling All Elders! If you are an Elder ("Once an Elder, always an Elder"...) and wish to participate in the Worship Committee's rotation list for serving communion forms are available in the Narthex to indicate your preferred available and unavailable service dates. The form is also printed in the Sunday Bulletin as a tear-off. The completed form may be left in the collection plate, or dropped off in the Secretary's Office Mailbox.

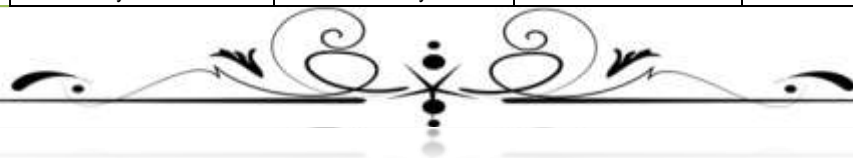
The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be observed on the following dates: Sunday, November 4th (Dedication Sunday), and Monday, December 24th (Christmas Eve).

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER - CHANGE IN NEWS ARTICLE DUE DATES! *Please* have any information/articles for the December Newsletter into the office by **9:00 am, Friday, (yes, Friday) morning November 16 (deadline applies to emails, also)!**



Chose Who Serve – November, 2012

	November 4	November 11	November 18	November 25
Junior Church	Valerie Harsh Pamela Harsh	Rose Scott Madison Foster	Josh Ingram Morgan Ingram	Virginia Maloney Jared Smyth
Junior Sermon	Pat Hunter	Rev. Beverly Bullock	Patsy Johnson	Lisa Hartsell
Ushers	Wayne Powers Verne Smith Bobby Allen Marguerite Bishop	Sheila Fields Janet Swinton Rose Scott Wayne Powers	Valerie Harsh Rose Scott Jerry Bond Debbie Smith	Wayne Powers Rose Scott Marguerite Bishop Dianne Overstreet
Announcements	Dianne Overstreet	Pat Hunter	Mary Kay Schroeter	Rose Scott
Counting	David Johnson Evelyn Lichvar	Ron Recher Glenda Mayhew	Donald Hunter Sheila Fields	David Johnson Rose Scott



Flowers for November

November 4 []
 November 11 []
 November 18 **Jerry Hasky**
 November 25 **Rose Scottt**

Gatekeeper:

Dennis Allen

It's not too late to sign up for flowers!

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.

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

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

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Jason Hundley of Boy Scout Troop 900 needs your support!

NOVEMBER, 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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				2-8:00pm Cleaning		Bull Hill Road Clean Up @ 8:45 am
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Daylight Saving Time ends 2 am 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship <i>Holy Communion</i> <i>Dedication Sunday</i>	2:00pm Line Dancing 6:30pm Missions	Election Day 12:30pm Day Circle 7:00pm: -Facilities -Worship -Congreg. Care*	7:00pm Choir	2-8:00pm Cleaning		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Veterans Day 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship <i>Work Camp Sunday & Potluck Lunch</i>	Noon Widows Group 2:00pm Line Dancing 6:00pm Christian Ed	Committee Reports Due 6:30pm Outreach 7:30pm Evening Circle	7:00pm Choir	2-8:00pm Cleaning 6:00pm Stewardship/Finance	Newsletter Articles due	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship <i>Minute for Missions</i> <i>Congregational Meeting After Worship</i>		7:00pm Session Meeting	7:00pm Choir 2-8:00pm Cleaning	Thanksgiving Office closed	Office open	
25	26	27	28	29	30	
9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship <i>5 Cents A Meal Offering</i>			7:00pm Choir	2:00-8:00pm Cleaning		