

# **Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church**



May 7, 2017 – 11:00 a.m.

*We welcome you to worship with us this morning, as we gather in community to draw closer to God, made known in Christ. We pray you will know the presence of the Lord, through our worship, and through the work of the Spirit. We invite you to take these moments before worship to calm your hearts and minds and open yourself to the quiet stillness of the presence of God!*

## **GOD GATHERS THE PEOPLE**

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| <b>Prelude</b>                     | Sandra Perkins & Gail Rollings |
| <b>Chiming of the Hour</b>         |                                |
| <b>Welcome &amp; Announcements</b> | Rose Scott                     |
| <b>Passing of the Peace</b>        | Rev. Jason N. Cashing          |
| <b>Sharing of Joys/Concerns</b>    |                                |

## **Call to Worship**

One: In the wilderness, water brings life.

**All: Seek us out, O God, and take us to the water.**

One: In the Word of God, the good news gives light.

**All: Seek us out, O God, and fill us with understanding.**

One: In the bread and the wine, the body of our Savior nourishes everyone.

**All: Seek us out, O God, and give us yourself.**

**\*Opening Hymn #236 – “The Strife Is O’er”**

## **Prayer of Confession (in unison)**

God of mercy, we confess that we have not borne the fruit of your Spirit. We have not loved others as you have loved us. We have denied the promise of baptism and cut ourselves off from you. Forgive us, restore us that we may abide in your love and live out your mercy, for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

*(A Moment of Silent Confession)*

## **Promise of God’s Forgiveness**

One: Hear the good news of the gospel:

**All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, healed, and made whole.**

One: Know that we have been forgiven, and be at peace!

**All: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.  
Amen!**

**\*Congregational Response (Hymn #581)**

**The Giving of Our Tithes, Gifts, & Selves to God - Offertory**

**Congregational Response (Hymn #606)**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Minute for Missions**

Grace Cibula

## **WE ENCOUNTER GOD’S WORD**

**Time for Children – Junior Sermon**

Valerie Harsh

Children ages 3 – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade are invited to Junior Church after the Anthem; ‘Worship Boards’ are on the front pew for older youth.

**Choral Anthem – “Alleluia”**

## **Prayer for Illumination (unison)**

Gracious Lord, open our ears that we might hear your Word to us this day, and follow where it leads us. Open our eyes, that we might witness you in the world and proclaim your presence with joy. For the glory of your Kingdom, we pray. Amen.

<b>Scripture</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading: Luke 24:44-47	p861
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading: Acts 8:26-39	p892
<b>Sermon</b>	“Cold-Calling”	Rev. Jason N. Cashing

**\*Reflective Hymn #223** – “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

### **Affirmation of Faith**

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. Amen.

*[from The PC(USA) Brief Statement of Faith]*

### **Prayers of the People & Lord’s Prayer**

One: Lord, in your mercy,

**All: Hear our prayers.**

**\*Departing Hymn #475** – “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

### **\*Blessing**

One: We have been blessed!

**All: We have met for divine worship, as God’s people.**

One: We have been blessed!

**All: Our sins have truly been forgiven.**

One: We have been blessed!

**All: We go out into the world as the body of Christ, bearing the good news of the gospel. We are blessed, indeed. Amen!**

**THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY**

S	<p><b>9a</b> Sunday School  <b>11a</b> Worship  <b>11a</b> Minute for Missions  <b>1-6p</b> Fellowship Hall reserved use ( Foster)</p>	7	<p><b>“Mother’s Day”</b>  <b>9:45a</b> Sunday School  <b>11a</b> Worship  <b>11a</b> Presby. Women’s Birthday offering (“Celebrating Birthday of Presby. Women”)  <b>11a</b> “Project Baby Bottle” collection</p>	14
M	<p><b>12-9 p</b> BS Crater Dist. mtg/class, Fellowship Hall  <b>6 :00 pm</b> BS Cyber class</p>	8		15
T	<p><b>6p</b> GS 553  <b>7p</b> Missions/ Outreach combined committee</p>	9	<b>5:30p</b> GS 5000	16
W	<b>7p</b> Choir practice	10	<b>7p</b> Choir practice	17
T	<p><b>12p</b> Preschool Mother’s Day Lunch for parents, Fellowship Hall  <b>2-8p</b> Church Cleaning</p>	11	<p><b>2p</b> News articles due  <b>2-8p</b> Church cleaning  <b>6:30p</b> Preschool graduation, Sanctuary; reception in Fellowship Hall  <b>7p</b> Stewardship &amp; Finance</p>	18
F		12		19
S		13	<p><b>8:30a</b> Bull Hill Rd. trash pick up  <b>10a-12p</b> GS 5000 ceremony, Fellowship Hall</p>	20

**SUNDAY SERVANTS**



**GATEKEEPER:** Doug Holc

	<b>May 7, 2017</b>	<b>May 14, 2017</b>
USHERS	Jerry Hasky Brenda Bond Glenda Mayhew Les Mayhew	Sheila Fields Janet Swinton Marguerite Bishop Valerie Harsh
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Rose Scott	Dianne Overstreet
JUNIOR SERMON	Valerie Harsh	Minister
JUNIOR CHURCH	Rose Scott	Mary Holc
COUNTING	Morgan Ingram Rose Scott	Donald Hunter Glenda Mayhew

Facts & Figures		YTD	Thru 3/31/17	Offrg.	Rec'd.
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$137,530	Inc.	\$35,508.53	4/2	\$2,230.50
Ann. budget exp.	\$145,537	Exp.	\$33,615.43	4/9	\$1,921.25
Mo. budget needs	\$ 12,128	Diff.	\$ 1,893.10	4/16	\$6,998.75
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,799			4/23	\$ 751.00
				4/30	\$3,179.25

ATTENDANCE: April 30, 2017

Worship	102	Sunday School	16
		Spiritual Enrich.	11
		Fellowship	5
		Children	
		Youth	

## OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS

James Hartsell, Robert Hartsell's brother  
Amy Townson, Josh Ingram's sister  
Doris Karnowski, Josh Ingram's grandmother  
Maryland Blanchard, Grace and Helen Cibula's friend  
Mary Chadwick, Dink Armstrong's sister  
Evelyn Lichvar, her son, Rick, and her brother, Martin (health issues)  
Becky Smith  
Russell Heiser, Ingrid Phoenix's grandson (health issues)  
Helen & Grace Cibula  
Elizabeth Scott  
Kenneth & Sue Andrews, Childress family's friends  
Jimmy Clark  
Terry Robertson, Billy Robertson's son  
Elisha Beverly, Valerie Harsh's daughter (health issue recurrence)  
Peggy Allen  
Eleanor Jones  
Vivian Johnes (improved, at-home rehab)  
Butch Meade, Glenda Mayhew's brother  
Teresa Knott, PG County employee (health issue)  
Billy Robertson (home, feeling better)  
Eileen Mozucha (continued recov., home)  
Michelle Coleman (health issues & recov.)  
Ralph Summerson  
George Poulson  
Aida Faries  
Courtney Stewart, friend of the Hunters (Duke Hospital)  
Adrienne Wallace, member of Hopewell News staff  
Irma Honeycutt, Dave & Patsy Johnson's friend (health issue)  
Harvey Spain, (recov., heart surgery)  
Ed Armstrong (home, going through dialysis)  
T. J. Webb  
Jane & Ralph Arehart, Glenda Mayhew's friends (health issues)  
Gene Vasek (health issue)  
Barbara Taliaferro (recov., knee surgery)  
Kay Slade, Rose Scott's friend (health issue)  
Ron Woody (health issues)  
Carrie King (health issues)  
Tull Family (Joe's deployment next year)  
Mila Campen (hospice care)  
Gladys Wiseman (home)  
Janet Shockley, Susan Walker's mom (recov. after surgery)  
Mike & Brenda Franklin (Mike is home; out-patient treatment- leukemia)  
Sandy Eickmeyer (recov., home)  
Matt Metschke, Mattie-Lynn's dad (lap-band surgery, recov., home)  
Perry Lewis

**\*Pastoral Benediction**

**\*Choral Benediction & Postlude**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**The Presbyterian Women’s “Birthday”** offering will be received next Sunday, May 14 (“Mother’s Day”). Offering envelopes will be provided in that Sunday’s bulletin.

**MAY NEWSLETTER** – Please note the following omission “Counters” from the “Sunday Servants” section:

	<b>May 7</b>	<b>“Mother’s Day” May 14</b>	<b>May 21</b>	<b>May 28</b>
<b>Counters</b>	Morgan Ingram Rose Scott	Donald Hunter Glenda Mayhew	David Johnson Ron Recher	Sandy Hunter Mary Kay Schroeter

GMPC Information

www.gregorymemorial.org www.facebook.com/gmpcva  
804.732.1081 Office Hours: Tuesday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.  
Pastor: Rev. Jason Cashing (Jason@gregorymemorial.org)  
Secretary: Nancy Adams (office@gregorymemorial.org)  
Organist: Sandra Perkins Accompanist: Gail Rollings  
Treasurer: Kevin Foster Financial Sec.: Sandy Hunter

Session Members

Mary Holc (2017); Susan Walker (2017); Robert Hartsell (2017)  
Blake Bishop (2018); Valerie Harsh (2018); Marquita Simpson (2018)  
Sandy Hunter (2019), Patsy Johnson (2019); (2019) Charles Smyth (2019)  
Donald Hunter (Clerk of Session)

Trustees

Gregg Webber (2017); Mary Kay Schroeter (2018); Morgan Ingram (2019)