



*Gregory Memorial
Presbyterian Church*

*P.O. Box 182 – 6300 Courthouse Road
Prince George, VA 23875*

Order of Worship



Sunday, May 6, 2012 11:00 am

Psalm 136:26 *Give thanks to the God of heaven, for his steadfast love endures forever.*

*Let us prepare our hearts in silence
to meet God's Spirit in worship!*

GOD GATHERS THE PEOPLE

PRELUDE

Sandra Perkins & Gail Rollings

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jerry Bond

PASSING OF THE PEACE / SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS

Rev. Beverly Bullock

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God is uniquely present as we gather to worship him this morning.

People: He is present in this Sanctuary.

Leader: He is present where two or more have gathered in his name.

People: He is present to restore.

Leader: He is present to forgive.

People: He is present to love and to build us.

*Congregational please stand, if able; **bold** type read aloud

*HYMN #59 *Joyful Joyful we adore thee*

*WE CONFESS OUR SIN

We confess to you Lord, what we are: we are not the people we like others to think we are; we are afraid to admit even to ourselves what lies in the depths of our souls.

But we do not want to hide true selves from you. We believe that you know us as we are, and yet you still love us. Help us not to shrink from self-knowledge; teach us to respect ourselves for your sake; give us your courage to put our trust in your guiding power. Raise us out of the paralysis of guilt and fear and take us into the freedom and energy of a forgiven people.

[Opportunity for silent prayer.]

*PROMISE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Leader: ...Amen. Our hope lies in God's gracious love for each and every one of us. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Praise God!

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Hymn #734, *Gloria Patri*)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.**

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES, GIFTS AND SELVES TO GOD

OFFERTORY

(THIS INCLUDES THE WOMEN'S PRESBYTERIAN BIRTHDAY OFFERING)

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (#34 *Doxology*)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

WE ENCOUNTER GOD'S WORD

TIME FOR CHILDREN

Beverly Bullock

CHORAL ANTHEM *Let Us Break Bread Together*

(Children ages 3 – 1st grade are invited to leave for Junior Church; Older children may pick up a "Worship Board" in the right front pew for their use.)

BIBLE READING S

Psalm 98

The Glory of God's Reign

Mark 7: 24-30

The Syrophoenician

Women's Faith

SERMON

Called Out by a Mother's Love

Rev. Beverly Bullock

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN #506 *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*

*WE AFFIRM OUR FAITH (from *A Declaration of Faith*, PCUS, 1976)

We believe...

We are in the world, but not of the world.

**Our confidence and hope for ourselves and other people
do not rest in the powers and achievements of this world,
but in the coming and hidden presence of God's kingdom.**

**Christ calls each of us to a life appropriate to that kingdom:
to serve as he has served us;**

**To take up our cross,
risking the consequences of faithful discipleship;
to walk by faith, not by sight,
even as we hope for what we have not seen. Amen.**

*HYMN #496 *Leaning on the Everlasting Arm*

*BLESSING

Leader: We are God's people...

People: Loved and forgiven!

Leader: Healed and called!

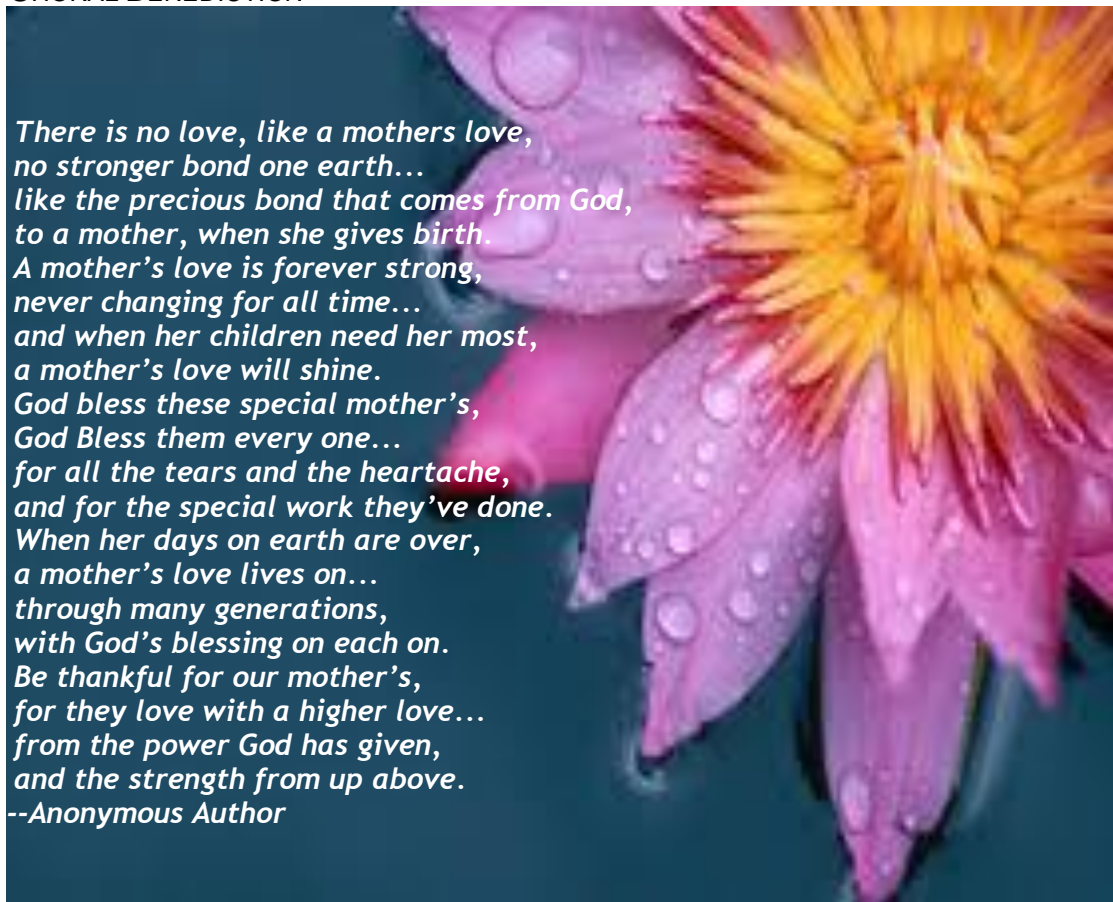
People: Empowered and sent out!

Leader: Beloved of God, our worship ends and our service begins!

People: Alleluia! Amen.

*PASTORAL BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION



*There is no love, like a mother's love,
no stronger bond on earth...
like the precious bond that comes from God,
to a mother, when she gives birth.
A mother's love is forever strong,
never changing for all time...
and when her children need her most,
a mother's love will shine.
God bless these special mother's,
God Bless them every one...
for all the tears and the heartache,
and for the special work they've done.
When her days on earth are over,
a mother's love lives on...
through many generations,
with God's blessing on each one.
Be thankful for our mother's,
for they love with a higher love...
from the power God has given,
and the strength from up above.
--Anonymous Author*

-WELCOME TO GREGORY MEMORIAL! -

We hope and pray that as you worship with us today you may experience the love of God and be encouraged for the coming week. Visitors, make sure to let us know of your presence by completing one of the registration cards in the pews and placing it in the offering plate. We invite both visitors and “regulars” to use the cards to let us know of your prayer requests or special needs.

GODSPEED TO REV. SPROWL! – Rev. Sprowl's surgery went well and he is recuperating! Rev. Bev. joins us in thanking him for his deep commitment and true ministry to Gregory Memorial.

ASCENSION OF THE LORD - Thursday, May 17th, is the Ascension of the Lord. The following scriptures coincide with this glorious day, Psalm 47: 1-9, or Psalm 93: 1-5, Ephesians 1: 15-23, and Luke 24: 44-53

VACATION BIBLE CAMP – Rising 1st thru 5th graders are invited to a week of fun, making new friends and learning about the love of Jesus, July 2-6, 9 am – 3 pm. Cost is only \$25 for five days. Registration forms are available at the church office or on-line at camphanover.org.

LITURGICAL COLOR – The Liturgical color is white. This Sunday marks the 6th Sunday in the season of Easter.

VISITOR INFORMATION – We have special informational packets for our visitors, both adults and children. Please ask an usher for assistance.

DAILY DEVOTIONALS – The popular devotional *These Days* is available free of charge near the front doors of the sanctuary and Fellowship Hall. Take one to a friend!

2012 Stewardship to Date

“The Facts”

Annual budget expense	\$137,754
Pledged & projected Income	\$133,804
Monthly budget needs	\$11,480
Weekly budget needs	\$2,650

“The Figures”

Offering April 29	\$1733.75
Offering May 6	\$2925.25

Attendance May 5

Sunday School - 18, Worship – 70

This Week at Gregory May 13 - May 20

Today	9:45am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship Service
Monday	2:00 pm	Line Dancing
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Sessions Meeting
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Choir
Thursday	11:15am	Preschool
		<i>Mother's Day Tea</i>
Saturday	8:45am	Bull Hill Rd Clean Up.
	2:00pm	Eagle Court of Honor
Sunday	9:45 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship Service

Sunday Servants

Today

May 20

USHERS	Wayne Powers Glenda Mayhew Marguerite Bishop Dianne Overstreet	Keith Spain Ruby Spain Jacob Spain Herb Schroeter
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Jerry Bond	Dianne Overstreet
NURSERY	Ruby Spain	Robbi Foster
JUNIOR SERMON	Beverly Bullock	Lisa Hartwell
JUNIOR CHURCH	Patsy Johnson Breeana Hunter	Susan Walker Jamie Meurer
COUNTING	Ron Recher Verne Smith	Donald Hunter Glenda Mayhew

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>)
Marian McDonald	Matt Mauger
Helen Cibula	Amy Harte (<i>David Johnson's cousin</i>)
Harry Johns	Gladys Wiseman
Barbara Hatch	



We Welcome All Who Worship with Us this Morning!

If you are not active in a church home in this community, we invite you to consider joining our fellowship and sharing in this ministry of Christ here.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We offer engaging classes each Sunday for all ages beginning at 9:45 am. Children, youth and one adult class meet on the second floor of the Educational Building, and another adult class meets downstairs in the Fellowship Hall.

Join us for coffee in the kitchen before and after class!

NURSERY & JUNIOR CHURCH

During the worship service, we provide loving child care for infants and toddlers. Children ages pre-K through 1st grade are invited to join their parents in the service through the *Time with Children* after which they can follow their leaders to a worship-based activity appropriate for their age.

For children who remain in the worship service, there are “worship boards” in a box in the front right pew for their learning and enjoyment during the service.

SESSION COMMITTEE MODERATORS

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<i>Missions</i>	Dianne Overstreet	862-4674
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<i>Worship</i>	Mary Holc	541-2565

PRIMARY CHURCH CONTACTS

Church Phone: 804-732-1081 **Website:** www.gregorymemorial.org

Church Office Hours: Wednesday through Friday, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm.

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