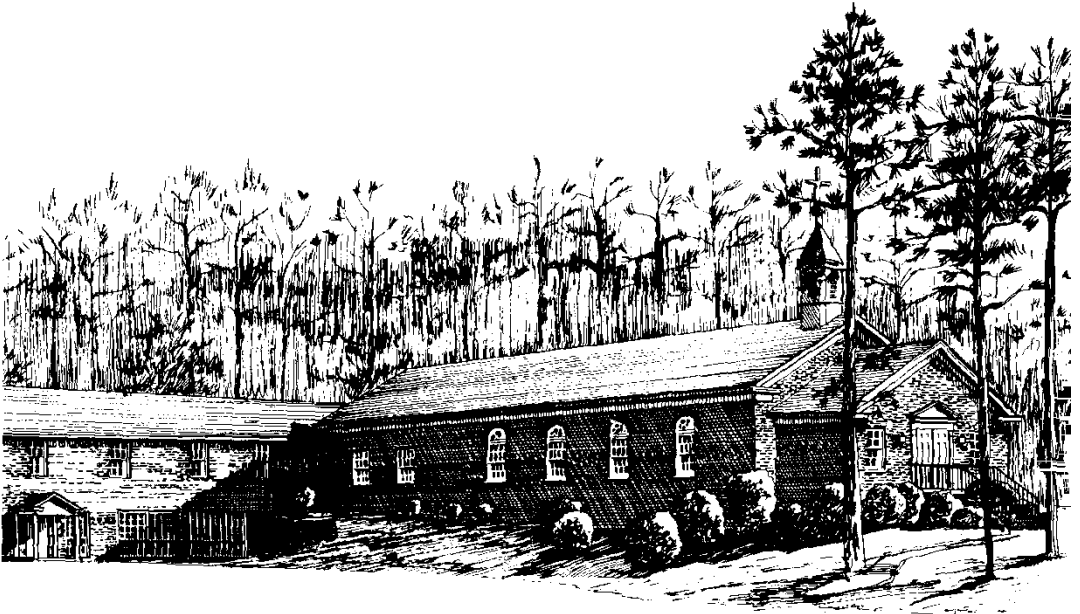


# GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Christians Who Love and Care.

*“Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering  
for he who has promised is faithful.”*

*Hebrews 10:23*

November 25, 2012

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, November 25, 2012 - 11:00 am

34<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgical Color: White

### “Christ the King – Reign of Christ”

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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

Rose Scott

PASSING OF THE PEACE/SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Rev. Beverly Bullock

### Call to Worship

One: The Lord has said, “Zion is my resting place forever; for I have desired it.”

**All: “I will abundantly bless its provisions; I will satisfy its poor with bread.”**

One: “Its priest I will clothe with salvation, and its faithful will shout for joy.”

**All: “There I will cause a horn to sprout up for David, a lamp for my anointed one.” Let us worship God!**

\*Opening Hymn

“This Is The Day”

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\*Congregation: please stand, if able; **bold type read aloud.**

## **We Confess Our Sin (in unison)**

God of strength and might; we confess our neglect of salvation's armor. We have not girded our loins with truth. The breastplate of righteousness is tarnished by our lax behavior. Our feet are caked with mud from battles fought unshod by the gospel of peace. We have laid aside the shield of faith, and weakened our defense in a hostile world. Help us once again to don the helmet of salvation and to raise the sword of the Word against the powers that oppose you, so that in all our struggles, we may rely solely on your strength. Amen.

## **A Moment of Silent Confession**

### **\*Promise of God's Forgiveness**

One: Who is in a position to condemn?

**All: Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ, prays for us.**

One: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

**All: The old life has gone, a new life has begun.**

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

**All: Hallelujah, Amen!**

\*Congregational Response (Hymn #734, Gloria Patri)

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

\*Congregational Response (#34 Doxology)

\*Prayer of Dedication

## **WE ENCOUNTER GOD'S WORD**

Time for Children

Lisa Hartsell

Choral Anthem

"Then Sings My Soul"

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

**Bible Readings**

II Samuel 23:1-7  
Revelations 1:4b-8

Old Testament Pg. 261  
New Testament Pgs. 994- 995

**Sermon**

“After All Is Said And Done”

Rev. Beverly Bullock

**WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

\*Reflective Hymn

"Blessed Assurance"

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**\*We Affirm Our Faith - The Apostle’s Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Prayers of the People (in unison)**

O God of light and life, you are the one who restores that which your people destroy - hear our prayers: We pray you reform those who disregard how creation depends on your grace. Make us aware of how fragile life is. Remind us that any one part of creation cannot be abused without affecting the whole. We pray for those whose relationships are in disarray. Keep us from premature or harmful judgments that only enhance their pain. Help us be a reconciling presence, keeping us mindful of the mutual support that we can offer to one another through the power of the Holy Spirit.

We pray for all brothers and sisters who seek to walk humbly with you. Help us to support one another in the quest to live simply as you guide us all to note afresh the many blessings you give us in the name of Jesus who taught us to pray:

*“Our Father Who Art In Heaven...”*

\*Departing Hymn

"A Charge To Keep I Have"

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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 now go out into the world as the body of Christ, witnessing to the Risen Christ. We have been blessed indeed. Hallelujah, Amen!**

\*Pastoral Benediction

\*Choral Benediction

## **-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.

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

**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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

**SUNDAY’S FLOWERS** - This Sunday’s flowers were given to the Glory of God and in honor of Gladys Wiseman (Birthday: December 12) by Rose Scott.

### **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 11/04	\$2,881.24
Offering 11/11	\$2,716.17
Offering 11/18	\$1,872.80
Offering 11/25	\$

# THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY: November 25- December 8, 2012

November 25-December 1

December 2-December 8

Today	25	<b>9:45 am</b> Sunday School <b>11:00am</b> Worship <i>5 Cents A Meal Offering</i>	2
Monday	26	<b>2:00 pm</b> Line Dancing  <b>6:30 pm</b> Missions	3
Tuesday	27	<b>12:30pm</b> Day Circle <b>7:00 pm</b> - Facilities - Worship - Congregational Care*	4
Wednesday	28	<b>7:00 pm</b> Choir	5
Thursday	29	<b>2-8:00 pm</b> Cleaning	6
Friday	30		7
Saturday	Dec.1	<b>3:00 pm</b> Christmas Parade; Open House: "Cookies & Hot Cocoa"	8

## SUNDAY SERVANTS

Sunday Servants	Today, November 25	December 2
USHERS	Wayne Powers Rose Scott Marguerite Bishop Dianne Overstreet	Keith Spain Ruby Spain Jacob Spain Herb Schroeter
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Rose Scott	Jerry Bond
NURSERY	Glenda Mayhew	Susan Walker
JUNIOR SERMON	Lisa Hartsell	Valerie Harsh
JUNIOR CHURCH	Virginia Maloney Jared Smyth	Valerie Harsh Pamela Harsh
COUNTING	David Johnson Rose Scott	Morgan Ingram Sandy Hunter

NOVEMBER GATEKEEPER: Dennis Allen

## **ATTENDANCE: November 18**

Sunday School:		Worship
Spiritual Enrichment	5	69
Fellowship	13	
Youth	3	
One Room	0	

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

Ruby Hasky	All persons volunteering in Super Storm "Sandy" northeast clean-up
Katherine Tompkins	Ava Warren (Mary Beth Coleman's stepmother)
Christine Belsches	Jimmy Belsches (Son of Christine Belsches)
Marian McDonald	Mary Chadwick (Dink Armstrong's sister)
Gladys Wiseman	Dan Price (David Johnson's brother)
Audrey Turner	Jessica Griffin (Niece of Sheila Fields)
June Hawks	Ed Smiley (Friend of Doug Holc)
Aida Faries	2012-2013 School Year
Don Vtipil	Clara Smith
PNC	

### **NOTE: "BLACK BOX " ITEMS INDICATE NEED FOR URGENCY!**

**CHRISTMAS PARADE WITH "COOKIES 'N HOT COCOA AT GREGORY CHURCH'S OPEN HOUSE - DEC. 1 @ 3:00 PM!** We need **volunteer servers and 75 dozen cookies** for the Gregory Open House to be held after Prince George's Christmas Parade. Bring cookies to the Church Fellowship Hall Friday, Nov. 30 from 9:00-11:00 AM, OR, on Parade Day on Dec. 1 from 1:00-2:00 PM. A sign-up sheet for cookies and serving is on the tables in the Narthex and the Fellowship Hall. We are all looking forward to seeing this year's Parade! Got questions? Call Outreach Committee's Brenda, Janet, or Judy!

**ANGEL TREE!** The Angel Tree will be decorated with pumpkins, girl angels, and boy angels for the congregation to pick off the tree on Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>. We will be sponsoring the same two families for Christmas. All wrapped gifts and food items will need to be at the church by Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>.

**CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS** – Deadline for ordering your red Christmas poinsettias (\$10.50 each) for the Sanctuary is December 2. Order sign-up sheet is on Narthex table. Anticipated delivery date to Gregory is second week of December, schedule permitting. Poinsettias remain in the Sanctuary and are tended by a Gregory volunteer until the evening of the Christmas Eve service. After which they may be taken home to enjoy.



**Holiday Operating Schedule for Church Office Hours**, as approved by Session:  
Week of Dec. 23-29 (Christmas): **Dec. 26 (Wed.), 27 (Thurs.) & 28 (Fri.)**  
Week of Dec. 30-Jan. 5 (New Year's): **Jan. 2 (Wed.), 3 (Thurs.), 4 (Fri.)**.

**A GENTLE REMINDER ABOUT BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS .....**

Due to the multiple projects undertaken in the Church Office on a regular weekly basis, the Sunday bulletin is now formatted in final form on Wednesdays, then printed as time permits that day. In order to fully assist those needing announcements to be placed in upcoming bulletins, please bring me (or send by email, or telephone in) your announcement information to the Church office as early as possible to avoid the disappointment of having your important announcements delayed until the next Sunday bulletin or newsletter. Please note that this also applies to requested paperwork related to your announcement, such as signup sheets and copies, etc., needed, and material for your special projects. Every effort is being made to have unscheduled items “worked in” to the week’s workload---sadly, it’s not always possible to work all of them in on the last workday of the week.

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# SERMON NOTES

## IMPORTANT WEBSITES & PHONE NUMBERS

[Clip & save this listing for future reference.]

James House <a href="http://www.thejameshouse.org">www.thejameshouse.org</a>	(804) 458-2840 ... 24-hour Hotline (804) 458-2704 ... Hopewell Office (804) 732-1711 ... Petersburg Office
YWCA <a href="http://www.ywcarichmond.org">www.ywcarichmond.org</a>	(804) 643-0888 ... 24-hour Hotline
CARES <a href="http://www.careshelterpetersburg.org">www.careshelterpetersburg.org</a>	(804) 861-0849
Nat'l. Domestic Violence Hotline <a href="http://www.thehotline.org">www.thehotline.org</a>	1 (800) 799-7233 (1-800-799-SAFE)
Nat'l. Center for Missing & Exploited Children <a href="http://www.missingkids.com">www.missingkids.com</a>	1 (800) 843-5678 (1-800-THE-LOST)
Poison Control Hotline <a href="http://www.poison.org">www.poison.org</a>	1-800-222-1212
Child Abuse Hotline	1 (800) 552-7096
Center for Elder Rights & Aging Services Information	1 (800) 552-3402 (Voice/TTY)

## PRIMARY CHURCH CONTACTS

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