

GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

P.O. Box 182 - 6300 Courthouse Road
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Christians Who Love and Care.

*"My mouth is filled with your praise, and with your glory all day long."
Psalm 70:8*

February 17, 2013

ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 17, 2013 - 11:00 am

1st Sunday in Lent

Liturgical Color: Purple or Blue

PCUSA Emphasis: Health Awareness and Prayer for Healing

"My mouth is filled with your praise, and with your glory all day long." Psalm 70:8

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

Mary Kay Schroeter

PASSING OF THE PEACE/SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Rev. Beverly Bullock

Call to Worship

One: You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,

All: "We will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress; my God in whom I trust."

One: Because you have made the Lord your dwelling place, no evil shall befall you.

All: God will protect those who call on the name of the Lord and show them salvation. Let us worship God!

*Opening Hymn

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

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

We Confess Our Sin (in unison)

God of forgiveness and mercy, hear our prayer as we confess our sin.

With moments so critical, we let time go by. With deliverance so near, we linger in the darkness. With Christ as our armor, fear the unknown foe. With the night having passed, we still hesitate to greet the new day. O God, lead us forth, that we may meet the moment you graciously give us. Dispel the shadows so that your will may be clear. Clothed with light and new life in Christ, let us do forth, forgiven and eager to do your will. 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 - Junior Sermon

Valerie Harsh

Choral Anthem

(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 during the service.)

Bible Readings

Deuteronomy 26:1-11
Luke 4:1-13

Old Testament
New Testament

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Deuteronomy 26:1-11

When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, ²you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. ³You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.' ⁴When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, ⁵you shall make this response before the LORD your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. ⁶When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, ⁷we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. ⁸The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of powers, and with signs and wonders; ⁹and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.' You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. ¹¹Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.'

Luke 4:1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, ²where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. ³The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone."'

⁵Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world.

⁶And the devil said to him, 'To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. ⁷If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.' ⁸Jesus answered him, 'It is written,

"Worship the LORD your God, and serve only him."'

⁹Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, ¹⁰for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you."

¹¹and

"On their hands, they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."'

¹²Jesus answered him, 'It is said, "Do not put the LORD your God to the test."'¹³When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time."

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***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, we are dismayed and perplexed by crises far and near ...strengthen our faith in you that we may perceive any crisis, wherever it may be occurring as a prod to our consciences and a challenge to our compassion.

We pray for people who are physically or mentally disadvantaged. Help us to help them ...We pray for good workers who for whatever reason are fired. Give them the stamina to endure the frustrations of a job search and land a new job worthy of their gifts. We pray for men and women trying to handle problems in their marriage or family life...We commend to your tender care loved ones and friends who are struggling with serious illness. Sustain them and if it is your will, restore them to health. We turn to you in faith, in Christ's powerful name. Amen

(Dr. Maynard Pittendreigh)

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

* Departing Hymn

"Let There Be Peace on Earth"

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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 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.

STATED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - Today immediately after Worship.

LENTEN PRAYER SERVICE & LUNCHEON: 12:00 pm - Service & 12:30 pm - Lunch:
***Feb. 28 - Trinity UMC (US Rte. 460, Disputanta)**; March 7 - Bethlehem Congregational Church; March 14 - Church of the Sacred Heart; and March 21 - Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church.

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2013 STEWARDSHIP TO DATE

The Facts:

Annual budget expense	\$142,151
Pledged & projected income	\$127,785
Monthly budget needs	\$ 11,846
Weekly budget needs	\$ 2,733

The Figures:

Offering 02/03	\$2,992.02
Offering 02/10	\$2,045.53
Offering 02/17	\$
Offering 02/24	\$

ATTENDANCE: February 10

Worship: 104	Sunday School:	22
	Spiritual Enrichment	8
	Fellowship	11
	Youth	6
	One Room	3

FEBRUARY GATEKEEPER: H. F. Scott, Jr.

THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY: February 17 - March 02, 2013

February 17 - 23

February 24-March 02

Today	17	24
9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship <i>Stated Congregational Meeting immediately after Worship Service</i>		9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship <i>Called Congregational Meeting immediately after Worship Service</i>
Monday	18	25
2:00pm Line Dancing		2:00pm Line Dancing
Tuesday	19	26
7:00 pm Session Meeting		
Thursday	21	28
2-8:00 pm Cleaning		12:00 pm Lenten Service & Lunch @Trinity UMC, Disputanta 2-8:00 pm Cleaning
Friday	22	March 01
Saturday	23	02

SUNDAY SERVANTS

Sunday Servants	Today, February 17	February 24
USHERS & ACOLYTES (A)	Keith Spain Ruby Spain Jacob Spain Herb Schroeter Justin Ellis-Bowman (A) Michalis Maloney (A)	Bobby Allen Donna Allen Velma Allen Jerry Bond Chayse Hartsell (A) Kaitlyn Hartsell (A)
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Mary Kay Schroeter	Rose Scott
JUNIOR SERMON	Valerie Harsh	Patsy Johnson
JUNIOR CHURCH	Ann Hartsell Kevin Foster II	Susan Walker Jamie Meurer
NURSERY	Glenda Mayhew	Ann Hartsell
COUNTING	Morgan Ingram Ron Recher	David Johnson Kevin Foster

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

Katherine Tompkins	All who have lost loved ones to senseless & random violence
Christine Belsches	Family & friends of Marion B. Williams (passed away Jan. 15)
Marian McDonald	Family of Darrell G. Allen (passed away Jan. 18)
Gladys Wiseman	Virginia Mika (Sister of Grace & Helen Cibula)
Frank Solesbee	All persons recovering from natural disasters
Audrey Turner	Jimmy Belsches (Son of Christine Belsches)
Kenneth Figg	Mary Chadwick (Dink Armstrong's sister)
Clara Smith	Sam DuVall (Sheila Fields's son-in-law)
June Hawks	Laura Lambert (Peggy Allen's mother)
Aida Faries	Jim Judkins (David Johnson's cousin)
Don Vtipil	Ed Smiley (Friend of Doug Holc)
PNC	2012-2013 School Year Pat Hunter

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SERMON NOTES

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IMPORTANT WEBSITES & PHONE NUMBERS

[Clip & save this listing for future reference.]

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

GMPC SESSION

Class of 2013

Pamela Harsh
Evelyn Lichvar
H. F. Scott, Jr.

Class of 2014

Mary Holc
Valerie Harsh
Jennifer Smyth

Class of 2015

Rose Scott
Glenda Mayhew
Mary Kay Schroeter

Clerk of Session

David Johnson

GMPC TRUSTEES

Class of 2013

Dennis Allen

Class of 2014

Ron Recher

Class of 2015

Donald Hunter

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Organist: Sandra Perkins, Accompanist: Gail Rollings

Treasurer: Kevin Foster, kevin.foster@bsvnet.com, phone 804-732-1096

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