

# GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Christians Who Love and Care.

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March 17, 2013

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 17, 2013 - 11:00 am

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent

Liturgical Color: Purple or Blue

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PC (USA) Emphasis: Self-Development of People

"PRESCHOOL SUNDAY"

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

Pat Hunter

PASSING OF THE PEACE/SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Rev. Beverly Bullock

**Call to Worship**

**All: Let your Spirit come with conviction and cleansing.**

One: Wash us with the pure water of repentance.

**All: Turn our faces to Christ in true faith.**

One: Keep us from putting any confidence in the flesh.

**All: Give us hearts of obedience and love, and a deep desire to know Christ in all his fullness. Amen.**

\*Opening Hymn

"I Love to Tell the Story"

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

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

**Dear Lord, forgive us our sin we pray.** Penetrate these murky corners where we hide our memories and tendencies on which we do not care to look, but which we will not yield freely up to you – that you may purify and transmute them: the persistent buried grudge, the half-acknowledged enmity which is still smoldering. the bitterness of that loss we have not turned into sacrifice, the private comfort we cling to, and the secret fear of failure which saps our initiative. Lord, we bring all these to you and we review them with shame and penitence in your steadfast light. In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen

*(Evelyn Underhill)*

## **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

Gregory Memorial Preschool Presentation

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

Time for Children - Junior Sermon

Susan Walker

Choral Anthem

(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.)

**Isaiah 43:16-21**

<sup>16</sup>Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters,  
<sup>17</sup>who springs out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:

<sup>18</sup>Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old.

<sup>19</sup>I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

<sup>20</sup>The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, <sup>21</sup>the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

**John 12:1-8**

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, who he had raised from the dead. <sup>2</sup>There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. <sup>3</sup>Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. <sup>4</sup>But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, <sup>5</sup>'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?' <sup>6</sup>He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) <sup>7</sup>Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. <sup>8</sup>'You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.' "

Sermon

"Something New And Different"

Rev. Beverly Bullock

\*Reflective Hymn

"Softly and Tenderly"

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## 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)**

Through Christ's intercession, we are encouraged to pray for wisdom and guidance. Help us to learn from the struggles of history that weapons are no substitute for feeding the hungry. Make us as eager to help others shape their own destiny as we are zealous in protecting our rights.

Make us agents of your peace. When we stand before the judgment seat, grant that we shall have acted to ease pain, given refuge to those who needed shelter, and helped the oppressed live with dignity. Through our faithful response, may the naked have been clothed and the sick made well. God, your encouragement makes us bold. Christ's intercession gives us hope. In grateful response we pray: *"Our Father Who Are In Heaven..."*

\* Departing Hymn

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

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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.

**LAST DAY TO ORDER IS TODAY: EASTER FLOWERS:** Forms for ordering Easter flowers are on Narthex table. As before, please place completed forms/payment in collection plate. Checks pay to: Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church.

Easter Lily	\$11.25	Tulip	\$10.25	Hydrangea	\$19.25
Azalea	\$17.25	Hyacinth	\$10.25	Chrysanthemum	\$11.25

**NEW PASTOR - Monday, April 8, 2013**, the new pastor will officially begin his ministry with Gregory Memorial. **Sunday, April 14, 2013**, the new pastor will worship for the first time with Gregory Memorial.

**LENTEN PRAYER SERVICE & LUNCHEON:** 12:00 pm - Service & 12:30 pm - Lunch:  
**March 21** - Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church.

**“THANK-YOU LUNCHEON”** - A special “Thank-You” Luncheon will be held in the Fellowship Hall on **Sunday, March 24** after worship to thank Rev. Bullock for her service at Gregory Memorial.

**REMINDER - VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR CLEANING!** Write in your preference for cleaning date(s) on the sign-up form on Narthex table. Thanks to all who generously volunteered to give time in cleaning the Sanctuary last fall! If you need access to the Church during the time you need to clean, please call Jerry Bond to make arrangements for entry.

## 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 03/03	\$3,644.55
Offering 03/10	\$1,696.91
Offering 03/17	\$
Offering 03/24	\$
Offering 03/31	\$

## ATTENDANCE: March 10, 2013

Worship: 48	Sunday School: 20
	Spiritual Enrichment 5
	Fellowship 11
	Youth 1
	One Room 3

## THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY: March 17 - March 30, 2013

March 17 - March 23

March 24-March 30

	March 17 - March 23	March 24-March 30
Today	17	24
	<b>9:45 am</b> Sunday School <b>11:00 am</b> Worship "Preschool Sunday" <i>Minute for Missions</i>	<b>PALM SUNDAY</b> <b>9:45 am</b> Sunday School <b>11:00 am</b> Worship <i>5 Cents A Meal Offering</i> <i>"Thank-You" Luncheon ( Rev. Bullock)</i>
Monday	18	25
	<b>9:00-9:45 am</b> Line Dancing <b>10:00 am</b> PG Churches Outreach/ PG Foodbank	<b>9:30 am</b> Line Dancing
Tuesday	19	26
	<b>7:00 pm</b> Session Meeting	
Wednesday	20	27
	<b>7:00 pm</b> Choir	<b>1-9:00 pm</b> Boy Scouts Court of Honor <b>7:00 pm</b> Choir
Thursday	21	28
	<b>12:00 pm</b> Lenten Service & Lunch @GMPC <b>2-8:00 pm</b> Cleaning	<b>7:00 pm</b> Maundy Thursday Communion Service (Intinction)
Friday	22	29
		<b>2-8:00 pm</b> Cleaning
Saturday	23	30

## **SUNDAY SERVANTS**

<b>Sunday Servants</b>	<b>Today, March 17</b>	<b>March 24: PALM SUNDAY</b>
USHERS & ACOLYTES (A)	Robert Hartsell Dianne Overstreet Wayne Powers Les Mayhew  Justin Ellis-Bowman (A) Michalis Maloney (A)	Keith Spain Ruby Spain Jacob Spain Herb Schroeter  Chayse Hartsell (A) Kaitlyn Hartsell(A)
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Pat Hunter	Mary Kay Schroeter
JUNIOR SERMON	Susan Walker	Valerie Harsh
JUNIOR CHURCH	Rose Scott Madison Foster	Josh Ingram Morgan Ingram
NURSERY	Virginia Maloney	Susan Walker
COUNTING	Sheila Fields Rose Scott	Morgan Ingram David Johnson

**MARCH GATEKEEPER:** Keith Spain

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

Katherine Tompkins	All who have lost loved ones to senseless & random violence
Christine Belsches	Peggy Allen & family (loss of mother, Laura Lambert, Feb. 22)
Marian McDonald	Family of Pat Yarosz (mother-in-law of Ruby Spain's sister)
Gladys Wiseman	Rachel Manning & family (Dad - Troop 900 Scoutmaster )
Frank Solesbee	Harry & Pat Steele (friends of Dianne Overstreet)
Audrey Turner	Virginia Mika (Sister of Grace & Helen Cibula)
Kenneth Figg	All persons recovering from natural disasters
June Hawks	Jimmy Belsches (Son of Christine Belsches)
Aida Faries	Mary Chadwick (Dink Armstrong's sister)
Tara Foster	Ed Smiley (Friend of Doug Holc)
Pat Hunter	2012-2013 School Year
Don Vtipil	



**MARCH WORSHIP DATES:**

March 21, 2013: Lenten Worship & Luncheon - GMPC (12 pm)

March 24, 2013: Passion/Palm Sunday (11 am Worship)

March 28, 2013: Maundy Thursday Worship Service (7 pm) - Holy Communion

March 31, 2013: Resurrection of the Lord/Easter (Sunrise Worship Service)

March 31, 2013: Resurrection of the Lord/Easter (11 am Worship)

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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)

**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

**PRIMARY CHURCH CONTACTS**

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Organist: Sandra Perkins, Accompanist: Gail Rollings

Treasurer: Kevin Foster, [kevin.foster@bsvnet.com](mailto:kevin.foster@bsvnet.com), phone 804-732-1096

Financial Secretary: Sandy Hunter, phone 804-733-8414

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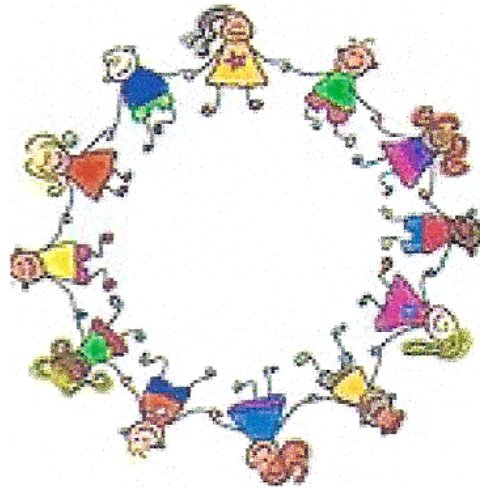
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Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church

Welcomes One and All to:

*Gregory Memorial  
Preschool Sunday  
March 17, 2013  
11 AM Worship*



*“Let The Circle Be Unbroken”*

“Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.” (Luke 18:16 - NIV)

## The Preschool Program

- ✚ A warm welcome
- ✚ Susie McAllister, Jaci Alban and Angie Pruett tell us about the Preschool
- ✚ The children make a "joyful noise" to the Lord as they sing:

"God Our Father"

"The More We Get Together"

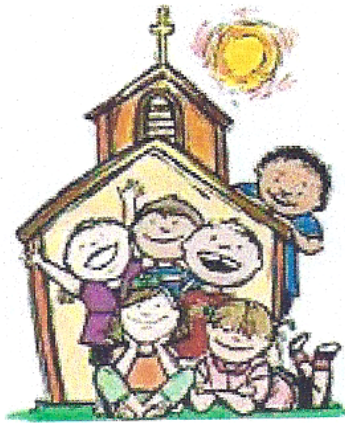
"He's Got The Whole World In His Hands"

"If You're Happy And You Know It"

"Jesus Loves The Little Children"



At Gregory Memorial Preschool



We Learn

We Play

We Eat

We Pray



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