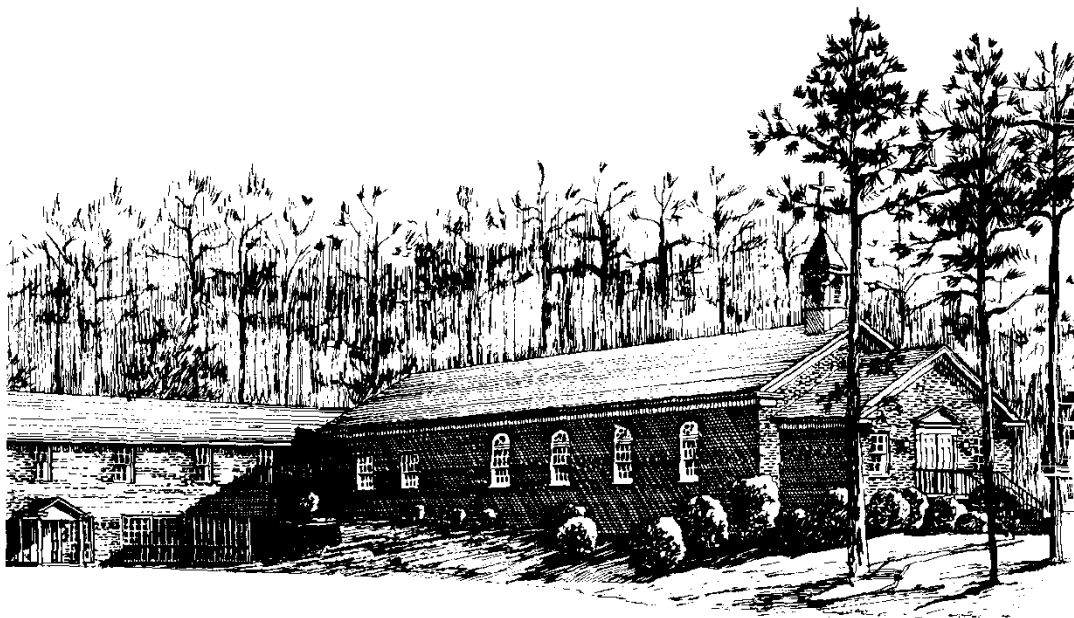


GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

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Praise the LORD!"* *Psalm 150:6*

April 28, 2013

ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 28, 2013 - 11:00 am

5th Sunday of Easter

Liturgical Color: White

*"Let everything that breathes praise the LORD!
Praise the LORD!"* *Psalm 150:6*

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. Jason Cashing

Call to Worship

One: Alleluia! Christ is alive; let all the people praise him!

ALL: Let all creation sing with joy. Alleluia!

One: Celebrate God in this sacred space! Celebrate God in all places under heaven!

ALL: Give praise for God's mighty deeds! Give praise for God's resurrecting power!

*Opening Hymn

"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

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Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God of mercy, your command to love one another across all differences opens us to new horizons, yet we often respond with fear and judgment that hinders your goal for humanity. Forgive our sins, we pray, and give us a true repentance that leads to life for all creation. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

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

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:	1 st Reading: Acts 11: 1-18	Pg. 895
	2 nd Reading: John 13: 31-35	Pg. 877
Sermon	“A Loving Story”	Rev. Jason Cashing
*Reflective Hymn	“I Love to Tell the Story”	Pg. 560

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***We Affirm Our Faith**

"We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed 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...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...With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen."
(From "A Brief Statement of Faith")

Prayers of the People (in unison)

Merciful God, we pray for the life of the church, that our generous witness may broaden your table. We pray for the welfare of your world, that all peoples will strive to live together in harmony, serving the common good. We pray for all who suffer any violence, pain, or grief, that they will know the comfort of your presence as you wipe every tear from their eyes. We pray for the love made known to us in Jesus Christ through this community, for this and all other blessings we give you thanks and praise. And we pray together, joining our voices with yours, as we pray in the way we have been taught: *"Our Father, Who Art in Heaven..."*

*Departing Hymn

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

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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.

“REACHING OUT TOGETHER: SMALL CHURCHES IN MISSION” - Today from 2:30 pm to 5:30 pm. at New Covenant Presbyterian Church, 6415 Irongate Road, Richmond, VA. Speaker: Rev. Herb Codington. No fee; registration is not necessary.

Prince George Volunteer Fire Department Spaghetti Dinner - Monday, April 29 from 4:30 to 8:00 pm. (Dine-in or carry-out). Tickets: \$8 for adults, \$5 kids (5-12), and kids 4 and under eat free. Proceeds benefit restoration of the VFD’s 1943 Seagrave Fire Engine (almost complete and ready to come back home). Contact: Kevin Foster for tickets!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! INSTALLATION CEREMONY OF REV. JASON CASHING - May 26 at 3:00 pm, GMPC Sanctuary; details TBA.

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2013 STEWARDSHIP TO DATE

<u>The Facts:</u>		<u>The Figures:</u>	
Annual budget expense	\$142,151	Offering 04/07	\$2,596.90
Pledged & projected income	\$127,785	Offering 04/14	\$3,877.00
Monthly budget needs	\$ 11,846	Offering 04/21	\$ 890.20
Weekly budget needs	\$ 2,733	Offering 04/28	

ATTENDANCE: April 21, 2013

Worship: 52	Sunday School: 21
	Spiritual Enrichment 6
	Fellowship 12
	Youth 1
	One Room 2

THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY: April 28 - May 4, 2013

NOTE: Date & time of the Missions and Personnel Committees' meetings to be announced.

April 28-May 4		May 5 - 11	
Today	9:45 am Sunday School 28 11:00 am Worship 2:30-5:30 pm "Reaching Out"-Small Churches in Mission @New Covenant Presby. Ch., Irongate Rd.,Richmond, VA 5 Cents a Meal Offering	9:45 am Sunday School 05 11:00 am Worship	
Monday	9:30 am Line Dancing 29 4:30-8 pm Fund-raiser: PGVFD Spaghetti Dinner @ PG VFD Firehouse	9:30 am Line Dancing 06 6:30 pm Outreach	
Tuesday	30	12:30 pm Day Circle 07 6:00 pm Congregational Care 7:00 pm Facilities 7:00 pm Worship	
Wednesday	7:00 pm Choir May 01	7:00 pm Choir 08	
Thursday	2-8:00 pm Cleaning 02	2-8:00 pm Cleaning 09 6:30 pm Stewardship/Finance	
Friday	03		10
Saturday	04		11

APRIL GATEKEEPER: Bobby Allen

SUNDAY SERVANTS

Sunday Servants	Today, April 28, 2013	May 5, 2013
USHERS & ACOLYTES (A)	Robert Hartsell Dianne Overstreet Wayne Powers Les Mayhew Chayse Hartsell (A) Kaitlyn Hartsell (A)	Keith Spain Ruby Spain Jacob Spain Herb Schroeter Jared Smyth (A) Austin Smyth (A)
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Pat Hunter	Mary Kay Schroeter
JUNIOR SERMON	Valerie Harsh	Patsy Johnson
JUNIOR CHURCH	Jennifer Smyth Jared Smyth	Ann Hartsell Kevin Foster II
NURSERY	Ruby Spain	Virginia Maloney
COUNTING	Morgan Ingram Sandy Hunter	David Johnson Kevin Foster

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

Dzhokhar Tsarnaev & family Theresa Faries & family 2012-2013 School Year Katherine Tompkins Marian McDonald Gladys Wiseman Frank Solesbee Audrey Turner Kenneth Figg Henry Parker June Hawks Aida Faries Tara Foster Pat Hunter Don Vtipil	Persons & families of those killed/injured in Boston, China, Texas All who have lost loved ones to senseless & random violence Rachel Manning & family (Dad - Troop 900 Scoutmaster) The Ellis family on loss of Jerry Ellis (grandfather of Justin Ellis-Bowman) Sarah Hummel & family (friend of Valerie Harsh), on loss of son in West, Texas disaster Harry & Pat Steele (friends of Dianne Overstreet) Mary Blanchard (friend of Grace & Helen Cibula) Virginia Mika (sister of Grace & Helen Cibula) All persons recovering from natural disasters The Belsches family on loss of Jimmy Belsches, April 21 Charles Lee Smyth (father of Charles Smyth) Frankie Meade (mother of Glenda Mayhew) Mary Chadwick (sister of Armstrong's sister) Ed Smiley (friend of Doug Holc) Tommy Forehand (friend of Marguerite & Blake Bishop) Joy , that health of Gladys Meurer (mother-in-law/grandmother of Jennifer & Jamie Meurer) continues to improve
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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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