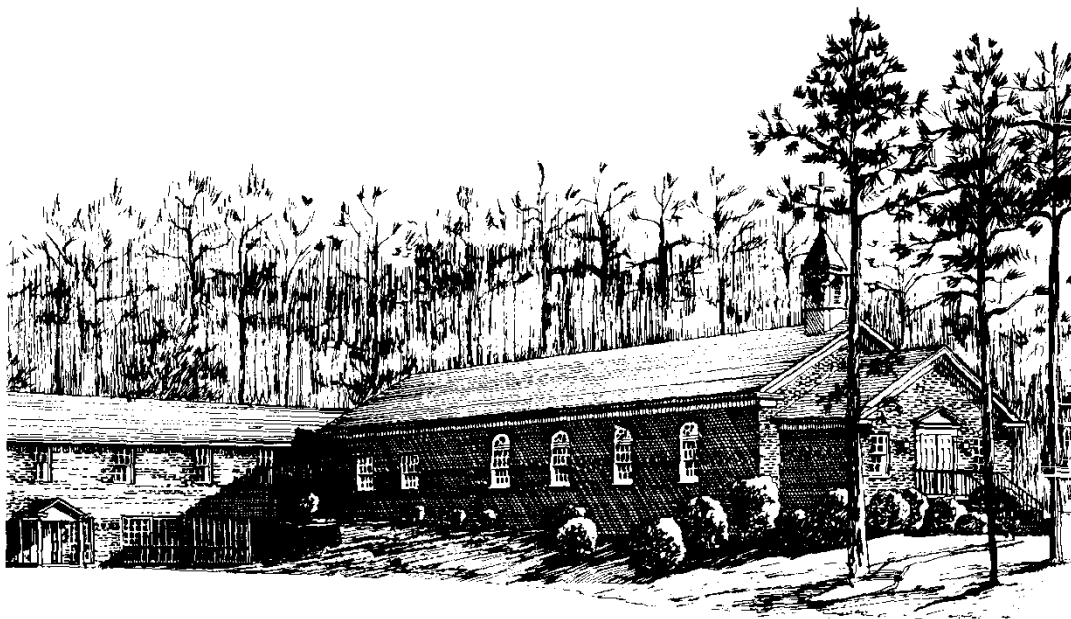


GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Christians Who Love and Care.

*“Jesus answered him, ‘Those who love me will keep my word,
and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and
make our home with them.’”*

John 14:23

May 12, 2013

ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 12, 2013 - 11:00 am

7th Sunday of Easter

Liturgical Color: White

"Mother's Day"

PCUSA Emphasis: "Older Adult Week begins; Wills Emphasis

"Jesus answered him, 'Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.'" John 14:23

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. Jason Cashing

Call to Worship

One: The Spirit and the bride say, "Come."

ALL: Let everyone who is thirsty come.

One: Let everyone who hears say, "Come."

ALL: Let everyone who is thirsty come.

One: Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

ALL: Let everyone who is thirsty come.

One: Come to the tree of life, the Alpha and the Omega.

ALL: Amen! Come, Lord Jesus!

*Opening Hymn

"Gather Us In"

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A Moment of Silent Confession

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

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Gracious Lord, you call us to your everlasting springs to be drenched and reformed, but we fail to heed you. We do not turn with love to our neighbors, to ourselves, or to you. Forgive us for our failings, shield us from our due, and guide us into unity with all, for the sake of the whole world and your glory. **Amen.**

*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

Rev. Jason Cashing

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: 1st Reading: Acts 16:16-34

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2nd Reading: John 17:20-26

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Sermon "A Prison of the Free"

Rev. Jason Cashing

*Reflective Hymn "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*We Affirm Our Faith

We believe that the body of Christ is one, and Baptism is the bond of unity in Christ...Baptism enacts and seals what the Word proclaims: God's redeeming grace offered to all people. Baptism is God's gift of grace and also God's summons to respond to that grace. Baptism calls to repentance, to faithfulness, and to discipleship. Baptism gives the church its identity and commissions the church for ministry to the world.

[from The Book of Order]

Prayers of the People (in unison)

God, our light, you show us a new creation every day. We praise you, and trusting in you, we pray. We pray for unity among all peoples, that the body of Christ, rent by conflict, may be one. We pray for peace among nations and around kitchen tables. We pray for the church's mission to proclaim good news, that the world might know you. We pray for all who cry out to you in this hardened time; for those without work, those without shelter, and those without food. Into your hands, Gracious God, we pray all things, to comfort those who mourn and to bind up the brokenhearted. Hear us as we pray, and pray with us as we have been taught: *"Our Father, Who Art in Heaven..."*

*Departing Hymn "Alleluia, Sing to Jesus!"

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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.

TODAY’S FLOWERS are given to the glory of God in honor and memory of all mothers, past and present, and also those who love and nurture the children in their care by the Hunter family.

CONDOLENCES CONTACT INFORMATION --- The address for mailing expressions of condolence on the passing of Mr. Jimmy Belsches (brother of Alan Belsches and son of the late Christine Belsches): Mr. Alan Belsches, 603 Farrah Circle, Dothan, AL 32301.

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 05/05	\$2,531.70
Pledged & projected income	\$127,785	Offering 05/12	
Monthly budget needs	\$ 11,846	Offering 05/19	
Weekly budget needs	\$ 2,733	Offering 05/26	

ATTENDANCE: May 5, 2013

Worship: 57	Sunday School: 21
	Spiritual Enrichment 5
	Fellowship 10
	Youth 1
	One Room 5

THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY: May 12 - 25, 2013

May 12-18		May 19-25	
Today	9:45 am Sunday School 12 11:00 am Worship <i>Mothers Day</i>	9:45 am Sunday School 19 11:00 am Worship <i>Pentecost Sunday</i> <i>Minute for Missions, Pentecost Offering</i>	
Monday	9:30 am Line Dancing 13	9:30 am Line Dancing 20 6:30 pm Boy Scouts Leaders Award Dinner 7:00 pm Christian Ed.	
Tuesday	9:00 am Session agenda reports due 14 6:30 pm Preschool Bd. Qtr. Meeting 7:30 pm Evening Circle	7:00 pm Session Meeting 21	
Wednesday	7:00 pm Choir 15	7:00 pm Choir 22	
Thursday	9:00 am News articles due 16 2:00 pm Session agenda out 2-8:00 pm Cleaning	2:00 pm Newsletter out 23 2-8:00 pm Cleaning 7:00 pm Preschool Graduation @GMPC Sanctuary	
Friday	17	24	
Saturday	6:00 am-12:00pm Fund-raiser: 18 Cub Scout Pack 910 Yard Sale @ GMPC Parking Lot 9:00 am-3:00 pm Stewardship Seminar @ Mechanicsville 6:00 pm Fund-raiser: Relay for Life @ PGHS Football & Track Field	25	

MAY GATEKEEPER: Doug Holc

SUNDAY SERVANTS

Sunday Servants	Today, May 12, 2013	May 19, 2013
USHERS & ACOLYTES (A)	Bobby Allen Donna Allen Velma Allen Jerry Bond Breeana Hunter (A) Jamie Meurer (A)	Marguerite Bishop Wayne Powers Rose Scott Les Mayhew Justin Ellis-Bowman (A) Michalis Maloney (A)
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Rose Scott	Jerry Bond
JUNIOR SERMON	Rev. Cashing	Pat Hunter
JUNIOR CHURCH	Patsy Johnson Breeana Hunter	Susan Walker Jamie Meurer
NURSERY	Susan Walker	Glenda Mayhew
COUNTING	Ron Recher Sheila Fields	Donald Hunter Glenda Mayhew

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

Ed Smiley (friend of Doug Holc) Dzhokhar Tsarnaev & family Theresa Faries & family 2012-2013 School Year Katherine Tompkins Marian McDonald Gladys Wiseman Frank Solesbee Audrey Turner Kenneth Figg Robert Fields 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) Maryland 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) Tommy Forehand (friend of Marguerite & Blake Bishop) Aaron Hoover (grandson of Ron & Judy Recher) 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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