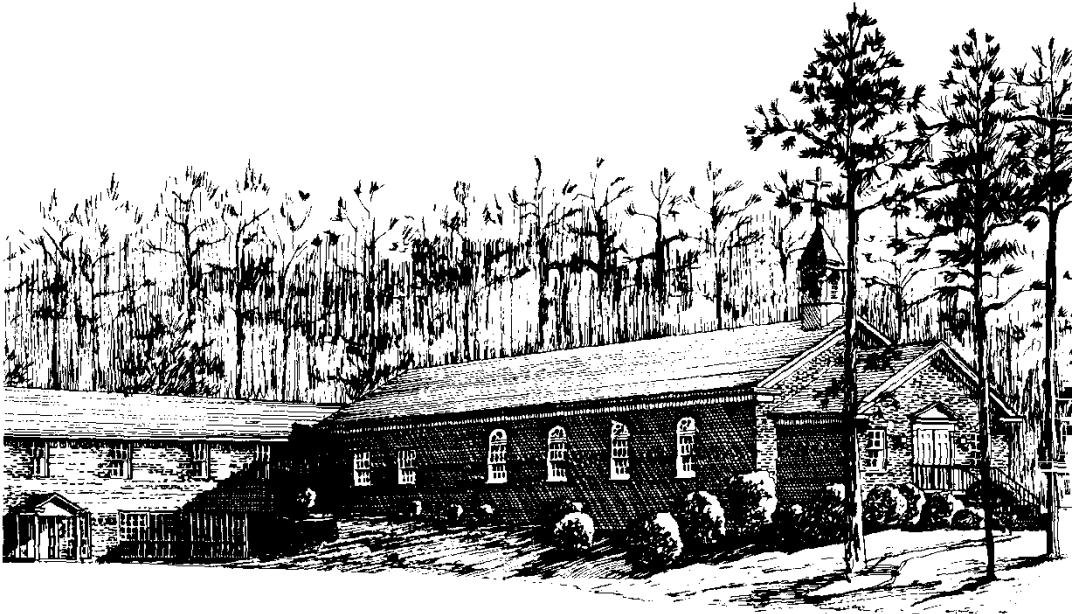


GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Christians Who Love and Care.

*“O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever.”
Psalm 107:1*

August 04, 2013

ORDER OF WORSHIP

August 04, 2013 - 11:00 am

11th Sunday after Pentecost

Liturgical Color: **Green**

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

PCUSA: Homelessness/Affordable Housing

***“O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.”
Psalm 107:1***

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

Dianne Overstreet

PASSING OF THE PEACE/SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Rev. Jason Cashing

Call to Worship

One: We are children of God, learning to walk.

All: Day by day, we are learning to be the church.

One: God is a loving parent, teaching us to walk.

All: God loves us, leads us, and feeds us.

*Opening Hymn “Give to Our God Immortal Praise”

#63

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Holy God, you lavish us with good gifts, yet we persist in seeking after that which robs us of abundant life. We hold fast to our anxieties and give in to our greed; we desire the very things that harm us. Forgive us, purify us, and sustain us by the strength of your Holy Spirit, we ask in Jesus’ name. Amen.

*Congregation: please stand, if able; areas in unison or in **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

Susan Walker

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:	First Reading: Hosea 11:1-11	Pg. 737
	Second Reading: Luke 12:13-21	Pg. 847

Sermon	"An Abundant Love"	Rev. Jason Cashing
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*Reflective Hymn	"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"	#93
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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***We Affirm Our Faith (in unison)**

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one is substance yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence for such end as God's eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of his own glory. Amen.

[from The Scots Confession]

Prayers of the People (in unison)

O God most high, you care for the lowly, and look down on the haughty. In your steadfast love, fulfill your purpose for us. We pray for the church and for all who work to give hospitality to others. We pray for peace among nations, religions, ideologies, and people. We pray for those injured by war, disaster, or financial collapse, for all who cry out for help. We pray for those afflicted by illness or overcome by the fear of death. Accept all these prayers we offer in faith, even as you teach us to pray through Christ our Lord, "Our Father, who art in heaven..." Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

One: The Lord be with you!

All: And also with you!

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: Eternal God, holy and mighty, it is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise...*(The minister continues)*...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with the heavenly choirs and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might; heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

One: You are holy, God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord...*(The minister continues)*. Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving as a living and holy offering of ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the one crucified and risen. Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

All: Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory.

One: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine...*(The minister continues)*.

[Communion will be served by Intinction. Those wishing to receive communion are invited to come to the front of the church by the center aisle, and return to their seats by the side aisles. Those who are unable to come forward are invited to remain seated, and servers will bring the elements to you.]

*Departing Hymn "As We Gather at Your Table"

#695

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 celebration of Owen Hunter's 6th birthday and Donald and Sandy Hunter's 25th anniversary.

“BACK TO SCHOOL” supplies items - Anyone wishing to donate “Back To School” supplies may still deliver them to the Prince George Social Services Department by August 19. Event will be held 4:00 PM to 7:00 pm in Scott Park on Aug. 22.

NEWBORN BABY ITEMS - James House, a provider of support, advocacy, and education for those affected by sexual and domestic violence and stalking urgently needs baby items for an anticipated newborn due second week of August. Items needed---but not limited to---include: “one-sies”, infant clothing articles, receiving blankets, disposable diapers, bottles, baby wipes, car seat, baby crib, bottles and formula, baby toiletry items such as shampoo, baby soap, diaper rash crème, cotton balls, washcloths and towels, etc. Any monetary donations will be greatly appreciated. Contact: Dianne Overstreet/Jessica or Jane at James House, 458-2704, www.thejameshouse.org

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2013 STEWARDSHIP TO DATE

<u>The Facts:</u>		<u>The Figures:</u>	
Annual budget expense	\$142,151	Offering 07/28	\$2,397.20
Pledged & projected income	\$127,785	Offering 08/04	\$
Monthly budget needs	\$ 11,846	Offering 08/11	\$
Weekly budget needs	\$ 2,733	Offering 08/18	\$
		Offering 08/25	\$

ATTENDANCE: July 28, 2013

Worship: 65	Sunday School: 14
	Spiritual Enrichment 6
	Fellowship 6
	Youth 1
	One Room 1

THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY: August 04 - 17, 2013

August 04 - 10

August 11 - 17

Today	9:45 am Sunday School 04 11:00 am Worship <i>Holy Communion</i>	9:45 am Sunday School 11 11:00 am Worship
Monday	6:30 pm Outreach 05	9:00 am Committee reports due 12 9:30 am Line Dancing
Tuesday	12:30 pm Day Circle 06 7:00 pm Facilities 7:00 pm Worship 7-10:00 pm Hidden Oaks Community's "Nat'l Night Out" block party @GMPC's parking lot	6:30 pm Preschool Qtr. Board mtg. 13 7:30 pm Evening Circle
Wednesday	6:00 pm Missions 07	7:00 pm Choir 14
Thursday	2-8:00 pm Cleaning 08 6:30 pm Stewardship & Finance	9:00 am News articles due 15 2:00 pm Session agenda out 2-8:00 pm Cleaning
Friday	09	16
Saturday	10	17

AUGUST GATEKEEPER:

Bobby Allen

SUNDAY SERVANTS

Sunday Servants	Today, August 04, 2013	August 11, 2013
USHERS & ACOLYTES (A)	Sheila Fields Janet Swinton Rose Scott Valerie Harsh Breeana Hunter (A) Jamie Meurer (A)	Robert Hartsell Dianne Overstreet Wayne Powers Les Mayhew Justin Ellis-Bowman (A) Michalis Maloney (A)
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Dianne Overstreet	Pat Hunter
JUNIOR SERMON	Susan Walker	Rev. Cashing
JUNIOR CHURCH	Virginia Maloney Jared Smyth	Valerie Harsh Pamela Harsh
NURSERY	Susan Walker	Glenda Mayhew
COUNTING	Rose Scott Sheila Fields	Morgan Ingram Rose Scott

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

Idell Goronto (friend of Lisa Hartsell)	All who have lost loved ones due to acts of violence
Ed Smiley (friend of Doug Holc)	Persons recovering from natural disasters
Debra Gilliam (friend of Ruby Spain)	Serena Triscari (friend of Bradley Cooper)- shoulder surgery
Harvey Spain (father of Keith Spain)	Tommy Forehand (friend of the Bishops) - hospitalized
Alicia Scudder (friend of the Spains)	Victor Tomko (cousin of Doug Holc) - hospitalized
Katherine Tompkins	Helen Cibula - pending knee surgery
Marian McDonald	Frank Solesbee - hospitalized
Gladys Wiseman	Aubrey Kerley (brother-in-law of Grace & Helen Cibula)
Audrey Turner	Maryland Blanchard (friend of Grace & Helen Cibula)
Kenneth Figg	Robert Crowder (friend of Josh Ingram) - loss of parents
Ruth Figg	Mary Childress (loss of cousin in Pennsylvania, d. July 15)
Grace Cibula	Family & friends of Tommie Taliaferro (d. July 17)
Henry Parker	Family & Friends of Mary Capps (d. July 24)
Pete Lucy, Sr.	Virginia Mika (sister of Grace & Helen Cibula)
June Hawks	Frankie Meade (mother of Glenda Mayhew)
Aida Faries	Mary Chadwick (sister of Dink Armstrong)
Clara Smith	Russell Houston (brother of Sheila Fields)
Tara Foster	Infant Kellan Daniel Schmidt (child of Susan Walker's employee)
Pat Hunter	Rachel Manning & family
Don Vtipil	Theresa Faries & family

“Who are we, and what are we doing here?”

A few weeks ago this question was posed to the congregation in a sermon. It was mentioned that we would be delving into how we, as Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church, might answer, and then live into our answer. The time of this discussion could very well shape how we move into the future of our mission and ministry for God’s Kingdom.

The time is approaching!

Join us on Sunday, *September 15*, following worship for:

~A great meal provided by the Christian Ed. Committee;

~A time of fellowship and renewal, and;

~A discussion of who we are, and what is our mission.

You are warmly invited to attend; your presence and participation will be greatly appreciated! Gregory Memorial is moving into a new chapter in her life as a congregation in Prince George, and we would love to have your input and feedback as we do so, but more than that, we’d love to have **YOU** as we move forward!

Join us on September 15, 2013, following worship for a time of food, fellowship, and framing of our mission and ministry.

We wouldn’t be able to do it with you.

Prince George County 2nd Annual

BACK TO SCHOOL



FAIR

Thursday, August 22

4:00pm - 7:00pm

at Scott Park

Dunk Tank

Free information
for families

Over 25 Booths

Live Music

Lots of FUN!!

FOOD

Police, Fire, and EMS

GOOD NEWS CLUB

Free School Supplies for kids in our community



SERMON NOTES

GMPC SESSION

Class of 2013

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

Class of 2014

Mary Holc
Valerie Harsh

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

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