

GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Christians Who Love and Care.

*“Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us,
and forgive our sins, for your name’s sake.”*

Psalm 79:9

September 01, 2013

ORDER OF WORSHIP

September 01, 2013 - 11:00 am

15th Sunday after Pentecost

Liturgical Color: **Green**

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

PCUSA: Christian Vocation

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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

Jerry Bond

PASSING OF THE PEACE
/SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Rev. Jason Cashing

Call to Worship

One: God calls us to service,

All: Rather than honor.

One: God calls us to love the unknown,

All: Rather than the familiar.

One: We come to this time of worship,

All: Trusting in the grace of Jesus Christ,

One: Who is the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow.

All: Let us worship God, made known in Christ!

*Opening Hymn

“Come, Great God of All the Ages”

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Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Lord, all that we have is a gift from you, yet we do not live lives of gratitude. We ignore strangers and turn away from those in need. We seek honor for ourselves and allow pride to take root in us. Forgive our foolish ways, O God, and restore us to you, that we may walk in the way of love. Amen.

*Congregation: please stand, if able; read aloud areas “in unison” or in **bold type**.

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

Pat Hunter

(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.)

Choral Anthem

Bible Readings:	First Reading: Jeremiah 2:4-13	Pg. 610
	Second Reading: Luke 14: 1, 7-14	Pg. 849

Sermon	“Watching for Wrongdoing”	Rev. Jason Cashing
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*Reflective Hymn	“ ‘Take Up Your Cross,’ the Savior Said”	#351
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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

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

The reconciling work of Jesus was the supreme crisis in the life of humanity. His cross and resurrection become personal crisis and present hope for people when the gospel is proclaimed and believed. In this experience, the Spirit brings God's forgiveness to all people, moves them to respond in faith, repentance, and obedience, and initiates the new life in Christ. The new life takes shape in a community in which people know that God loves and accepts them in spite of what they are. They therefore accept themselves and love others, knowing that no person has any ground on which to stand, except God's grace. Amen.

[from The Confession of 1967]

Prayers of the People (in unison)

Loving God, you call us to turn to you in prayer for the sake of the world. We pray for the mission of the church: may it continue in mutual love to the glory of your name. We pray for a world in need of your counsel: guide the nations into paths of justice and peace. We pray for all who suffer: may they know the healing power of your presence. We pray for the dying and those who have died: may they rest in your eternal glory. We pray together, joining our voices as you taught us, "*Our Father, who art in heaven...*" Amen.

*Departing Hymn

"We Give Thee but Thine Own"

#688

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.

“KICK-OFF SUNDAY”...  We will “**Kick Off**” the New Year for Sunday School/Church on **September 8, 2013**. The program will begin at **9:00 AM** in the Fellowship Hall with a “tailgate party” featuring your favorite breakfast dishes. **Please wear your favorite team jersey or T-shirt!**

NEWSLETTER CALENDAR CORRECTION: No Missions Committee meeting Sept. 4.

REMINDER: PG FOODBANK URGENTLY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS! There is an urgent need for some volunteers to join the ranks of PG Food Bank/Clothes Closet volunteers. Please help us build a substitute list to help out when needed. The job consists of working 10 AM-2 PM on the 3rd Tuesday of every month (except June). Twice a year, clothing is seasonally exchanged which requires an extra day. Currently, there are only 3 regular volunteers from Gregory, and lately we’ve had to seek help from other churches for our substitutes. This valuable service to the community was actually started by Gregory Church, so please give consideration to volunteering for this Outreach event. If interested, please give Judy a call (458-3580) or e-mail jrkr@comcast.net.

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2013 STEWARDSHIP TO DATE

<u>The Facts:</u>		<u>The Figures:</u>	
Annual budget expense	\$142,151	Offering 08/04	\$2,850.25
Pledged & projected income	\$127,785	Offering 08/11	\$1,741.00
Monthly budget needs	\$ 11,846	Offering 08/18	\$2,041.58
Weekly budget needs	\$ 2,733	Offering 08/25	\$2,960.00

ATTENDANCE: August 25, 2013

Worship: 53	Sunday School:	20
	Spiritual Enrichment	6
	Fellowship	10
	Youth	1
	One Room	3

THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY: September 01-14, 2013

	September 01-07	September 08 - 14
Today	9:45 am Sunday School 01 11:00 am Worship	9:00 am "Kick-Off" Breakfast & Sunday School 08 11:00 am Worship <i>"Kick-Off Sunday"</i>
Monday	Labor Day Holiday 02	9:00 am Committee reports due 09 9:30 am Line Dancing 6:30 pm Missions
Tuesday	First day of School! 03 12:30 pm Day Circle 6:00 pm Congregational Care 6:30 pm Outreach 7:00 pm Facilities 7:00 pm Worship	7:30 pm Evening Circle 10
Wednesday	7:00 pm Choir 04	7:00 pm Choir 11
Thursday	2-8:00 pm Cleaning 05	2-8:00 pm Cleaning 12 2:00 pm Session Agenda out 6:30 pm Stewardship & Finance
Friday	06	13
Saturday	07	14

SEPTEMBER GATEKEEPER:



Donald Hunter

SUNDAY SERVANTS

Sunday Servants	September 01, 2013	September 08, 2013
USHERS & ACOLYTES (A)	Rose Scott Wayne Powers Glenda Mayhew Les Mayhew Breeana Hunter (A) Jamie Meurer (A)	Sheila Fields Janet Swinton Rose Scott Valerie Harsh Justin Ellis-Bowman (A) Michalis Maloney (A)
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Jerry Bond	Dianne Overstreet
JUNIOR SERMON	Pat Hunter	Rev. Cashing
JUNIOR CHURCH	Jennifer Smyth Jared Smyth	Ann Hartsell Kevin Foster II
NURSERY	Ruby Spain	Virginia Maloney
COUNTING	Sandy Hunter Sheila Fields	Kevin Foster Glenda Mayhew

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

Ed Smiley (Doug Holc's friend)	All who have lost loved ones due to acts of violence
Theresa Faries & family	Persons recovering from natural disasters
Katherine Tompkins	Tommy Forehand (friend of the Bishops) - hospitalized
Marian McDonald	Victor Tomko (Doug Holc's cousin)- in-home rehab, therapy
Gladys Wiseman	Helen Cibula - continuing knee rehab, home
Audrey Turner	Lyn Bond (Jerry/Brenda Bond's grandson) - surgery
Kenneth Figg	Frank Solesbee - recuperating, home
Ruth Figg	Family & friends of Alicia Scudder (d. Aug. 18)
Grace Cibula	Family & friends of Coy Rhodes (d. Aug. 25)
Henry Parker	Sentral Riggins Bradley, friend of the Bishops - recuperating
Pete Lucy, Sr.	at home of her daughter, Marty
June Hawks	Aubrey Kerley (Grace & Helen Cibula's brother-in-law)
Aida Faries	Maryland Blanchard (Grace & Helen Cibula's friend)
Clara Smith	Virginia Mika (Grace & Helen Cibula's sister)
Tara Foster	Frankie Meade (Glenda Mayhew's mother)
Pat Hunter	Mary Chadwick (Dink Armstrong's sister)
Don Vtipil	Russell Houston (Sheila Fields's brother)
2013/14 School Year	Idell Goronto (Lisa Hartsell's friend)
	Pam Harsh, Bradley Cooper, Jacob Spain - first-year college students
	JOY: Kellan Daniel Schmidt (Susan Walker's employee's child) - improving

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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