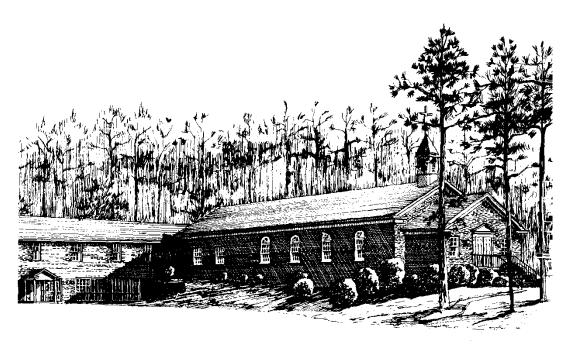
# GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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 29, 2013

### **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

September 29, 2013 - 11:00 am 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Liturgical Color: **Green** PCUSA Emphasis: Evangelism

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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

Rose Scott

PASSING OF PEACE/SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS Rev. Jason Cashing

## **Call to Worship**

One: When they call to me, I will answer them, says the Lord.

All: I will be with them in trouble,
One: I will rescue and honor them.

All: With thanksgiving and praise, let us worship God.

\*Opening Hymn "Come Away from Rush and Hurry" #655

# Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Dressed in fine linen, we feast sumptuously every day, while others long to satisfy their hunger. We have Moses and the prophets, yet we remain unconvinced, waiting for some human warning. Forgive us. In your mercy, convince and comfort us, and lead us to righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior. *Amen.* 

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Please read aloud areas indicated as "in unison" or appearing in bold type.

<sup>\*</sup> Congregation, please stand, if able.

#### 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.

The old life has gone, a new life has begun.

One: Know that we have been forgiven and be at peace!

All: Hallelujah, Amen!

The Giving of Our Tithes, Gifts and Selves to God - Offertory

\*Congregational Response (#34 Doxology)

#### WE ENCOUNTER GOD'S WORD

Time for Children - Junior Sermon

Susan Walker

Pa. 643

(Children ages  $3 - 1^{st}$  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 32: 1-3a, 6-15

Second Reading: Luke 16:19-31 Pg. 851

Sermon "Tilling the Field" Rev. Jason Cashing

\*Reflective Hymn "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" #405

<sup>\*</sup>Congregational Response (Hymn #734, Gloria Patri)

<sup>\*</sup>Prayer of Dedication

#### 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)

Hear our prayers, O Lord, our refuge and fortress, our God, in whom we trust. For those under siege from war or illness or any adversity – give them faith and hope for the future you are preparing. For those who live in fear of terror in the night or destruction in the day – be with them in trouble and satisfy them with long life. For those who are hungry or oppressed, those in prison, or burdened by heavy labor, for the orphan, the widow, and the immigrant – give them food and freedom, justice and joy. Hear our prayers, O Lord, and pray with us as we have been taught, "Our Father, who art in heaven..." Amen.

\*Departing Hymn "Christ, You Call Us All to Service" #571

### 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.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS FOR USERING AND KEEPING

NURSERY! Please consider volunteering as an usher or to keep the nursery. If you would like to serve as a volunteer for either of these tasks, please contact Rose Scott.

**DAY CIRCLE'S OCTOBER 1 MEETING** location is changed to GMPC Fellowship Hall.

<u>BULL HILL ROAD CLEAN-UP</u> - Fall clean-up of Bull Hill Road is scheduled for October 5, 2013. We will meet at the Church at 8:45 a.m. Please let Pat Hunter or Gail Rollings know if you plan to help, we will provide juice and a snack prior to beginning. The more hands the quicker we can get the job done and beautify our County for the fall.

OCTOBER'S THIRD SUNDAY LUNCHEON - The theme of Gregory's Third Sunday Luncheon (this month's host: Congregational Care Committee) on October 20 is "Invite Someone to Church." Please invite a guest(s) to worship with you that day and then join us with your guest(s) at the luncheon which will be held in the Fellowship Hall after worship.

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**2013 STEWARDSHIP TO DATE** 

The Facts:		The Figures:	
Annual budget expense	\$142,151	Offering 09/01	\$3,217.78
Pledged & projected income	\$127,785	Offering 09/08	\$1,858.00
Monthly budget needs	\$ 11,846	Offering 09/15	\$3,057.10
Weekly budget needs	\$ 2,733	Offering 09/22 Offering 09/29	\$1,168.00 \$

ATTENDANCE: September 22, 2013

Worship: 63	Sunday School:	<u> 15</u>
•	Spiritual Enrichment	5
	Fellowship	6
	Jr Sr. High	0
	Children	4

# THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY: September 29 - October 12, 2013

September	29 -	October	05
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October 06 - 12

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Today	9:45 am Sunday School	29	9:45 am Sunday School	06
	11:00 am Worship		11:00 am Worship	
	Local Emergency Aid Offering		Communion	
			World Communion Sunday	
Monday	9:30 am Line Dancing	30	9:00 am Comm. reports due	07
			9:30 am Line Dancing	
			6:30 pm Missions	
Tuesday	12:30 pm Day Circle @ GMPC	Oct. 01	7:30 pm Evening Circle	08
	6:00 pm Congregational Care		6:30 pm Outreach	
	7:00 pm Facilities			
	7:00 pm Worship			
Wednesday	7:00 pm Choir	02	7:00 pm Choir	09
Thursday	2-8:00 pm Cleaning	03	2:00 pm Session agenda out	10
			2-8:00 pm Cleaning	
			6:30 pm Stewardship & Finance	
Friday		04		11
Saturday	8:00 am Rain date: Fall Work Day	05		12
	& breakfast @ Fellowship Ha	II		
	8:45 am Bull Hill Rd. Clean-up			

# **SEPTEMBER GATEKEEPER:**



#### Donald Hunter

# **SUNDAY SERVANTS**

Sunday Servants	September 29, 2013	October 06, 2013
USHERS & ACOLYTES (A)	Bobby Allen Donna Allen Velma Allen Jerry Bond Kaitlyn Hartsell (A) Jamie Meurer (A)	Rose Scott Wayne Powers Glenda Mayhew Les Mayhew Justin Ellis-Bowman (A) Breeana Hunter (A)
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Rose Scott	Jerry Bond
JUNIOR SERMON	Susan Walker	Pat Hunter
JUNIOR CHURCH	Jessica Mauger Kevin Foster	Rose Scott Madison Foster
NURSERY	Ann Hartsell	Glenda Mayhew
COUNTING	Morgan Ingram Donald Hunter	Donald Hunter Glenda Mayhew

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

All who have lost loved ones due	Family & friends of Wallace Edwards (Dave Johnson's uncle,
to acts of violence	d. 09/21)
Survivors of natural disasters	Family & friends of the late Lucas Youngblood (2013
Ed Smiley (Doug Holc's friend)	Workcamp participant from Pennsylvania)
Theresa Faries & family	Maryland Blanchard (Grace & Helen Cibula's friend)
Katherine Tompkins	Amy Townson (Josh Ingram's sister) hospitalized; also the
Marian McDonald	Townson and Ingram families
Gladys Wiseman	Miranda Matthews, recently hospitalized grandmother of
Audrey Turner	Jamie Meurer's friend
Kenneth Figg	Lawrence & James Hartsell (Robert Hartsell's brothers)
Ruth Figg	Lyn Bond (Jerry & Brenda Bond's grandson)
Grace Cibula	Virginia Mika (Grace & Helen Cibula's sister)
Henry Parker	Frankie Meade - nearing completion of treatment, and for
Pete Lucy, Sr.	daughter, Glenda Mayhew
June Hawks	Mary Chadwick (Dink Armstrong's sister)
Aida Faries	Russell Houston (Sheila Fields's brother)
Clara Smith	Pam Harsh, Bradley Cooper, Jacob Spain - 1 <sup>st</sup> year in college
Tara Foster	Our Thanks: Amy Ellis-Bowman - recuperating, home
Pat Hunter	Helen Cibula - continuing knee rehab, home
Don Vtipil	Tommy Forehand (friend of Bishops) - recovering, home
2013/14 School Year	Victor Tomko (Doug Holc's cousin) - in-home rehab, therapy
	Frank Solesbee - recuperating, home
	Sentral Riggins Gravley (Bishops' friend ) - recuperating, home

#### **GMPC SESSION**

Class of 2013Class of 2014Class of 2015Pamela HarshMary HolcRose ScottEvelyn LichvarValerie HarshGlenda MayhewH. F. Scott, Jr.Mary Kay Schroeter

Clerk of Session
David Johnson

**GMPC TRUSTEES** 

Class of 2013
Dennis Allen
Class of 2014
Ron Recher
Donald Hunter

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