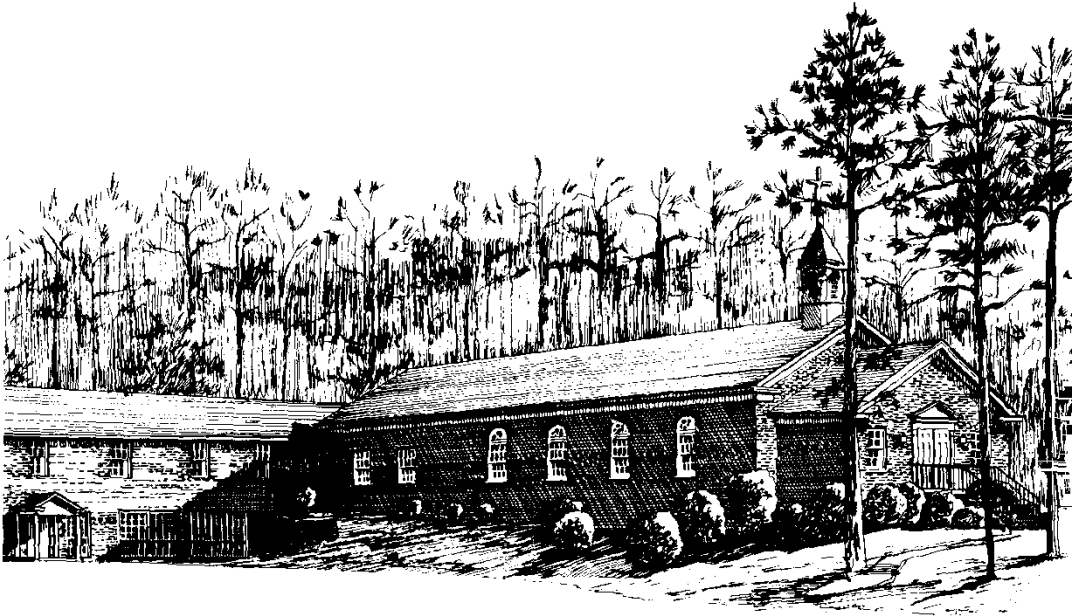


GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Christians Who Love and Care.

***“Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem! Praise your God, O Zion!
For he strengthens the bars of your gates; he blesses
your children within you. Psalm 147:12-13***

January 05, 2014

ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 05, 2014 - 11:00 am
2nd Sunday After Christmas Day
Liturgical Color: **White**

***“Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem! Praise your God, O Zion!
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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

Mary Kay Schroeter

PASSING OF PEACE/SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Rev. Jason Cashing

Call to Worship

One: Grace to you and peace in this new year.

All: We will bless God who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing.

One: In Christ we have been given an inheritance.

All: We have been redeemed as God’s own people. Praise be to God!

*Opening Hymn

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

#182

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God of love and compassion, you have come into the world and yet we have not recognized you. Forgive our lack of insight and open our eyes to see you here and now, that we may receive your grace through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please read aloud areas indicated as **“in unison”** or appearing in **bold type**.

* 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.

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

(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:	Old Testament: Jeremiah 31:7-14	P. 641
	New Testament: John 1:10-18	P. 862

Sermon	"Restoring the World"	Rev. Jason Cashing
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*Reflective Hymn	"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"	#232
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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

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

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

[John 1:1-5]

Prayers of the People (in unison)

Redeeming God, in this new year, we remember how you have cared for us and comforted us by speaking your Love into being. Trusting in your faithfulness, we bring you our prayers for the world. We pray for your church in all its forms, that it may speak to the needs of all the diverse people of the world. We pray for those who suffer, that our care for them may be a new incarnation. We commend into your hands those who have died, and those who journey toward life everlasting, that they may rest assured in your promises. We pray together, with voices joined in the prayer we have been taught, "*Our Father, who art in heaven...*" Amen.

*Departing Hymn "Arise, Your Light Is Come!" #231

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 a.m. 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.

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THE CONGREGATION “POCKET” DIRECTORY. A draft of the pocket Congregation Directory is on the Narthex table. Take a few minutes after the service today to review your information as it will appear in the 2014 pocket Directory. This is your opportunity to make any changes to you or your family members’ name, telephone numbers, or addresses that you feel necessary. This information is needed by Jan. 22. Changes you make will be incorporated in the 2014 pocket Directory. (Print date is Jan. 29!)

SUNDAY SERVANTS LISTINGS - *It's time to update “Sunday Servants” listings!*
Please consider serving as a “Sunday Servant.” Your service will be appreciated!

ANNUAL REMINDER: Church Office hours are 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Tues, Wed., Thurs. Bulletin info and announcements are due in the Church office on Tuesdays. The Bulletin is printed on Wednesdays. The newsletter is formatted, printed, assembled, stapled, folded, and labeled in the month’s last week that ends with the last Sunday (day of distribution). Anything intended for the newsletter must be received in the Church office on the second Thursday that precedes the last Sunday of the month. If you forget the exact due date, just count backwards from the month’s last Sunday to the second Thursday before that Sunday. That’s the date the article is needed in the office.

2013 STEWARDSHIP TO DATE

<u>The Facts:</u>		<u>The Figures:</u>	
Annual budget expense	\$142,151	Offering 12/01	\$3,950.00
Pledged & projected income	\$127,785	Offering 12/08	\$ 785.00
Monthly budget needs	\$ 11,846	Offering 12/15	\$3,624.00
Weekly budget needs	\$ 2,733	Offering 12/22	\$1,450.00
		Offering 12/29	\$3,448.00

ATTENDANCE: December 29, 2013

Worship: 58	Sunday School: 12
	Spiritual Enrichment 6
	Fellowship 6
	Jr. - Sr. High 0
	Children 0

THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY: January 05, 2014 - 18, 2014

	January 05 - 11	January 12 - 18
Today	9:45 am Sunday School 05 11:00 am Worship	9:45 am Sunday School 12 11:00 am Worship
Monday	9:30 am Line Dancing 06 6:30 pm Missions	9:00 am Committee reports due 13 9:30 am Line Dancing
Tuesday	12:30 pm Circle 07 6:00 pm Cong. Care 7:00 pm Facilities 7:00 pm Worship	6:30 pm Outreach 14 6:30 pm Preschool Bd. Qtr. meeting
Wednesday	7:00 pm Choir 08	7:00 pm Choir 15
Thursday	2-8:00 pm Cleaning 09 6:30 pm Stewardship & Finance	9:00 am News articles due 16 2:00 pm Session Agenda out 2-8:00 pm Cleaning
Friday	6:00 pm Begin BS Order of Arrow 10 lock-in @ GMPC Fellowship Hall	17
Saturday	9:00 am - 3:00 pm Officer training 11 @ GMPC for 2014 Session 11:00 pm End of BS Order of Arrow lock-in @ GMPC Fellowship Hall	18

JANUARY GATEKEEPER:



Doug Holc

Sunday Servants	January 05, 2014	January 12, 2014
USHERS & ACOLYTES (A)	Keith Spain Ruby Spain Josh Ingram Morgan Ingram Breeana Hunter (A) Jamie Meurer (A)	Bobby Allen Donna Allen Velma Allen Jerry Bond Chayse Hartsell (A) Breeana Hunter (A)
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Mary Kay Schroeter	Rose Scott
JUNIOR SERMON	Susan Walker	Rev. Cashing
JUNIOR CHURCH	Mary Kay Schroeter Kevin Foster	Virginia Maloney Jared Smyth
NURSERY	Susan Walker	Glenda Mayhew
COUNTING	Morgan Ingram Donald Hunter	David Johnson Ron Recher

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

Frank Solesbee, recuperating, home	All who have lost loved ones due to acts of violence
Ellie Wheelan, recovering at home	All affected by natural disasters
Nancy Hettrick, health issues	Shirley Barlow (Jean Waymack's sister), recovering from surgery
Johnnie Smith, health issues	Lawrence & James Hartsell (Robert Hartsell's brothers)
Ed Smiley (Doug Holc's friend)	Maryland Blanchard (Grace & Helen Cibula's friend)
Katherine Tompkins	Mary Chadwick (Dink Armstrong's sister)
Marian McDonald	Jonathan Bottoms, in a motorcycle accident
Gladys Wiseman	Pam Harsh, Bradley Cooper, Jacob Spain, college
Helen Cibula	Russell Houston (Sheila Fields's brother), surgery
Audrey Turner	Valerie Harsh's foster-daughter Andrea, health issues
Evelyn Lichvar	Amy Townson (Josh Ingram's sister), recovering, home
Kenneth Figg	Martha Sodak-Staples, surgery issues
Ruth Figg	Mark Chariton, Janet Swinton's son-in-law, health issues ICC
Grace Cibula	Drew Moncol, recovering from surgery.
Henry Parker	Frankie Meade, Glenda Mayhew's mother
June Hawks	Tommy Forehand (Bishops' friend), recovering, home
Aida Faries	Victor Tomko (Doug Holc's cousin), in-home rehab
Don Vtipil	Senral Riggins Gravley (Bishops' friend), home
2013/14 School Year	Joy: Blake Bishop, recovering from surgery, home
"Traveling Mercies"	

GMPC SESSION

Class of 2014

Gail Rollings
Mary Holc
Valerie Harsh.

Class of 2015

Rose Scott
Glenda Mayhew
Mary Kay Schroeter

Class of 2016

Pat Hunter
Josh Ingram
Keith Spain

Clerk of Session

Donald Hunter

GMPC TRUSTEES

Class of 2014

Ron Recher

Class of 2015

Donald Hunter

Class of 2016

Morgan Ingram

PRIMARY CHURCH CONTACTS

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