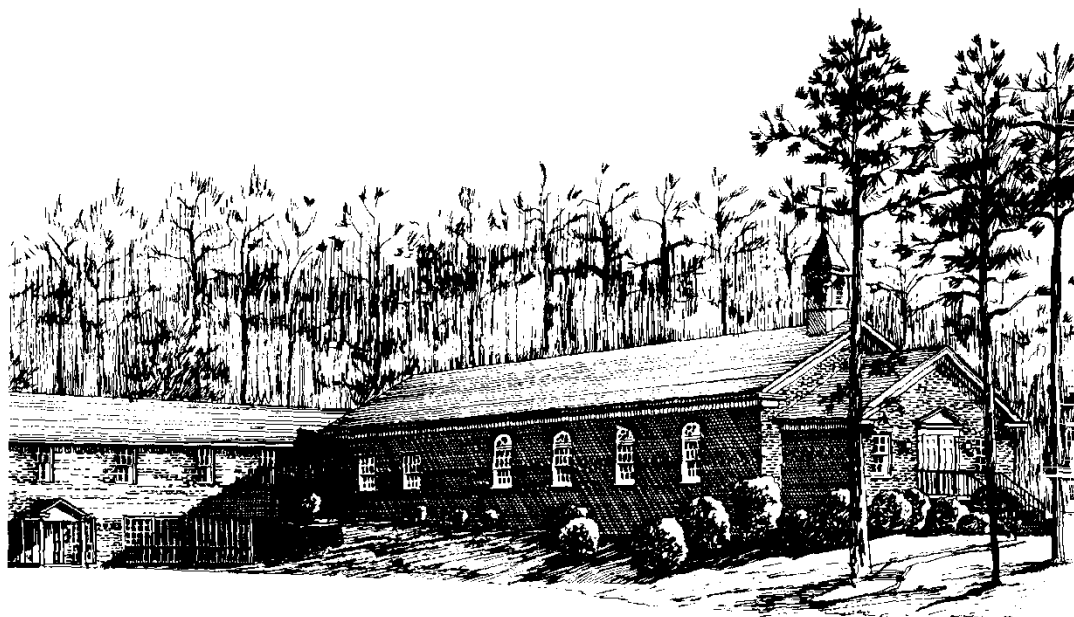


# GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



**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 12, 2014**

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 12, 2014 - 11:00 am

Baptism of the Lord

Liturgical Color: **White**

***“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***

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: In the beginning, the Spirit hovered over the waters of the deep.

**All: In the waters of the flood, God cleansed the earth and humankind.**

One: God caused the waters to part so Israel could cross from slavery to liberation.

**All: God formed Jesus in the waters of Mary’s womb.**

One: Jesus taught us how to live by washing the disciples’ feet in water.

**All: God meant for Jesus to be the firstborn in a large family. Praise be to God!**

\*Opening Hymn

“To God Be the Glory”

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### **Prayer of Confession (in unison)**

*God, you show no partiality, yet we are not always as tolerant and accepting. Forgive our intolerance, and help us to see as you see, that we may be found acceptable in your sight through Jesus our Christ. Amen.*

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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

Rev. Jason Cashing

(Children ages 3 – 1<sup>st</sup> 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: Isaiah 42:1-9

P. 584

New Testament: Matthew 3:13-17

P. 784

Sermon

"The Silent Servant"

Rev. Jason Cashing

\*Reflective Hymn

"Baptized in Water"

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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)**

*Blessing God*, you drowned evil in the waters of the flood and promised a covenant of faithfulness. In baptism, you caused us to die to sin and raised us to new life in Christ. Trusting in your promises, we pray now for the earth and all people. We pray for the world, that all people – and all creation – may know they are your beloved. We pray for those who suffer, that they will know your love for them, and that we may be bearers of comfort. We pray with our voices and our hearts, for those whom we have named before you, joining our voices in the way we have been taught, *“Our Father, who art in heaven...” Amen.*

\*Departing Hymn      “I Will Sing of My Redeemer”

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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 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 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.

**GREGORY LINE DANCING CLASS** - On hiatus (no class) until March 10.

**THIRD SUNDAY LUNCHEON & ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will follow worship service on Jan. 19. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex to bring soup, sandwiches and/or dessert. (Host: Worship Committee)

**CLEANING VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!** Thanks to all who volunteered as cleaning volunteers last year, saving Gregory a considerable sum by cleaning the Church on weeks alternating with the contracted cleaning company. To serve as a cleaning volunteer for 2014, sign up for your week on the new cleaning schedule in the Narthex. If you need access to clean during non-open hours (9 AM-2 PM, Tues.-Thurs.), contact Jerry Bond, Donald Hunter, or H. F. Scott, Jr.

**CONGREGATION DIRECTORY** (*This is the handy “pocket” Directory, not the Pictorial Directory*) - Please notify Nancy in the Church office (by telephone or email) of any changes in your contact information (name additions or changes, telephone numbers, mailing address). This information is needed by Jan. 22. (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!

## **2014 STEWARDSHIP TO DATE**

| <u>The Facts:</u>          |           | <u>The Figures:</u> |            |
|----------------------------|-----------|---------------------|------------|
| Annual budget expense      | \$139,456 | Offering 01/05      | \$2,828.00 |
| Pledged & projected income | \$128,665 | Offering 01/12      | \$         |
| Monthly budget needs       | \$ 11,621 | Offering 01/19      | \$         |
| Weekly budget needs        | \$ 2,682  | Offering 01/26      | \$         |

### **ATTENDANCE: January 05, 2013**

|             |                        |
|-------------|------------------------|
| Worship: 64 | Sunday School: 17      |
|             | Spiritual Enrichment 6 |
|             | Fellowship 9           |
|             | Jr. - Sr. High 0       |
|             | Children 2             |

### **THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY: January 12 - 25, 2014**

|           | <b>January 12 - 18</b>  | <b>January 19 - 25</b>  |
|-----------|---|---|
| Today     | <b>9:45 am</b> Sunday School 12<br><b>11:00 am</b> Worship  | <b>9:45 am</b> Sunday School 19<br><b>11:00 am</b> Worship<br><br><i>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Luncheon (Host: Worship Comm.)</i><br><i>Annual Congregational Meeting</i> |
| Monday    | <b>9:00 am</b> Committee reports due 13   | 20  |
| Tuesday   | <b>6:30 pm</b> Outreach 14<br><b>6:30 pm</b> Preschool Bd. Qtr. meeting                               | <b>7:00 pm</b> Session meeting 21   |
| Wednesday | <b>7:00 pm</b> Choir 15   | <b>7:00 pm</b> Choir 22   |
| Thursday  | <b>9:00 am</b> News articles due 16<br><b>2:00 pm</b> Session Agenda out<br><b>2-8:00 pm</b> Cleaning | <b>2:00 pm</b> Newsletter out 23<br><b>2-8:00 pm</b> Cleaning   |
| Friday    | 17  | 24  |
| Saturday  | 18  | 25  |

**JANUARY GATEKEEPER:**

Doug Holc

| Sunday Servants          | January 12, 2014   | January 19, 2014   |
|--------------------------|--|--|
| USHERS<br>& ACOLYTES (A) | Bobby Allen<br>Donna Allen<br>Velma Allen<br>Jerry Bond<br>Chayse Hartsell (A)<br>Breeana Hunter (A) | Jerry Hasky<br>Wayne Powers<br>Glenda Mayhew<br>Les Mayhew<br>Breeana Hunter (A)<br>Jamie Meurer (A) |
| ANNOUNCEMENTS            | Rose Scott   | Jerry Bond   |
| JUNIOR SERMON            | Rev. Cashing   | Patsy Johnson  |
| JUNIOR CHURCH            | Virginia Maloney<br>Jared Smyth  | Valerie Harsh<br>Pam Harsh   |
| NURSERY                  | Glenda Mayhew  | Ann Hartsell   |
| COUNTING                 | David Johnson<br>Ron Recher  | Kevin Foster<br>Glenda Mayhew  |

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

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|---|---|
| Drew Moncol, recovering from surgery.                   | All affected by acts of violence & natural disasters                                      |
| Maryland Blanchard (Grace & Helen Cibula's friend)      | Lawrence & James Hartsell (Robert Hartsell's brothers)                                    |
| Mary Chadwick (Dink Armstrong's sister)                 | Connie Lichvar (Evelyn Lichvar's daughter-in-law), ICU, recovering from emergency surgery |
| Grace & Helen Cibula, recovering at home after accident | Jonathan Bottoms, in a motorcycle accident  |
| Frank Solesbee, recuperating, home                      | Pam Harsh, Bradley Cooper, Jacob Spain, in college  |
| Ellie Wheelan, recovering at home                       | Russell Houston (Sheila Fields's brother), surgery  |
| Nancy Hettrick, health issues                           | Valerie Harsh's foster-daughter Andrea, health issues                                     |
| Johnnie Smith, health issues                            | Amy Townson (Josh Ingram's sister), recovering, home                                      |
| Ed Smiley (Doug Holc's friend)                          | Martha Sodak-Staples, surgery issues  |
| Katherine Tompkins, in SRMC                             | Mark Chariton, Janet Swinton's son-in-law, health issues ICC                              |
| "Traveling Mercies"                                     | Nita Spain (Keith Spain's stepmother), in St. Mary's                                      |
| <b>And:</b>   | Frankie Meade, Glenda Mayhew's mother   |
| Marian McDonald   | Tommy Forehand (Bishops' friend), recovering, home  |
| Audrey Turner   | Victor Tomko (Doug Holc's cousin), in-home rehab  |
| Kenneth Figg  | Family & friends of Sentral Riggins Gravley (d. 01/07)                                    |
| June Hawks  | Frankie Lee (Wayne Powers' friend), surgery   |
| Don Vtipil  | <b>Joy:</b><br>Blake Bishop, improving since knee surgery                                 |
| Gladys Wiseman  |   |
| Evelyn Lichvar  |   |
| Ruth Figg   |   |
| Aida Faries   |   |
| Henry Parker  |   |

**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

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