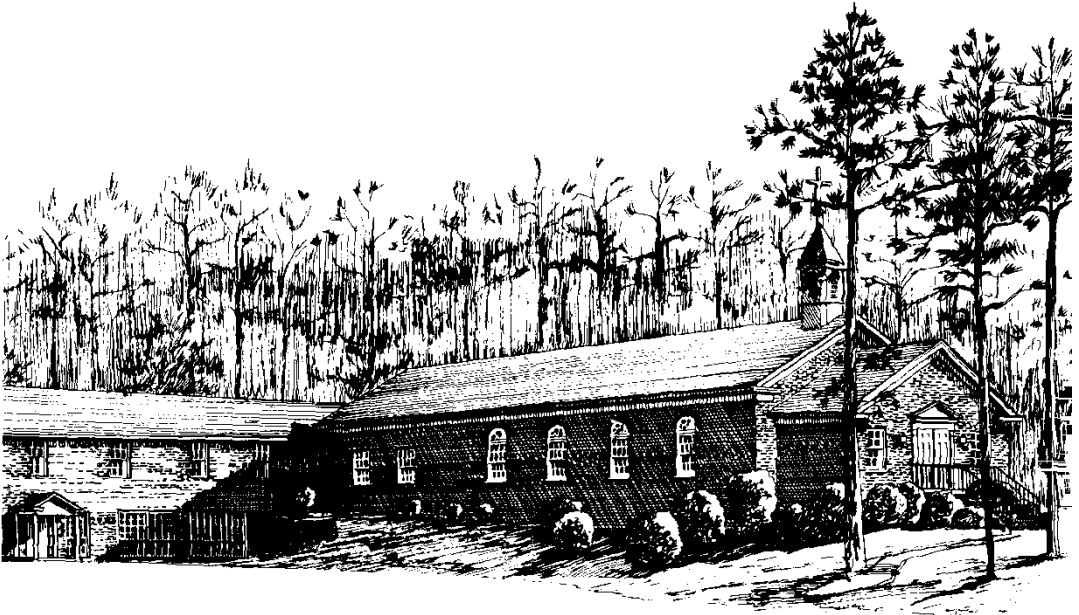


GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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 26, 2014

ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 26, 2014 - 11:00 am

3rd Sunday After Epiphany

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgical Color: **Green**

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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

Dianne Overstreet

PASSING OF PEACE/SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Rev. Jason Cashing

Call to Worship

One: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;

**All: Those who lived in a land of deep darkness – on them light has
shined. Thanks be to God!**

*Opening Hymn

“Gather Us In”

#649

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Almighty God, we confess that we have not been faithful to you in our thoughts and actions. We have been selfish in our desires and quarrelsome in our desires. We have allowed fear to divide us from those who seem different, and let distrust separate us from our brothers and sisters. Shine your light into our darkened hearts. Save us from our divisive ways. Unite us in the same mind as Jesus Christ who dwells with you and the Holy Spirit in perfect harmony. 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

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:	Old Testament: Isaiah 9:1-4	P. 555
	New Testament: Matthew 4:12-23	P. 785

Sermon	"Seeking the Great Light"	Rev. Jason Cashing
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*Reflective Hymn	"Brightest and Best of the Stars"	#235
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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)

Loving God, your light reveals the needs of our world and your salvation offers hope to the lost. Therefore, we pray for our world and our community. For the world and for all who suffer the rod of oppression: break the yoke of violence, and free all people from the burden of war and domestic strife. For the leaders of nations: that they may be just and faithful in their duty and serve the good of all creation. For those who suffer disease of body and mind: that they may know the power of your healing grace. For those who we have named before you, and in the silence of our hearts, we pray as we have been taught, *"Our Father, who art in heaven..." Amen.*

*Departing Hymn "O Sing a Song of Bethlehem"

#242

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.

CONGREGATION DIRECTORY Please pick up your family’s copy of the “*pocket*” *Directory*, from the supply on the Narthex table. All information received by the deadline date of January 22 is included in the Directory.

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	\$3,507.00
Monthly budget needs	\$ 11,621	Offering 01/19	\$1,439.00
Weekly budget needs	\$ 2,682	Offering 01/26	\$

ATTENDANCE: January 19, 2013

Worship: 72	Sunday School: 19
	Spiritual Enrichment 7
	Fellowship 9
	Jr. - Sr. High 0
	Children 3

THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY: January 26 - February 08, 2014

	January 26- February 01	February 02 -15
Today	9:45 am Sunday School 26 11:00 am Worship <i>5 Cents A Meal Offering</i>	9:45 am Sunday School 02 11:00 am Worship <i>Holy Communion</i>
Monday	1:00 pm PG TRIAD meeting 27 @ PG Library 7:00 pm Christian Ed 5-9:00 pm Cub Scouts Court of Honor	6:30 pm Missions 03
Tuesday	28	12:30 pm Circle 04 6:00 pm Congregational Care 7:00 pm Facilities 7:00 pm Worship
Wednesday	7:00 pm Choir 29	7:00 pm Choir 05
Thursday	2-8:00 pm Cleaning 30	2-8:00 pm Cleaning 06
Friday	31	07
Saturday	FEB. 01	08

JANUARY GATEKEEPER:

Doug Holc

Sunday Servants	January 26, 2014	February 02, 2014
USHERS & ACOLYTES (A)	Sheila Fields Janet Swinton Rose Scott Valerie Harsh Chayse Hartsell (A) Kaitlyn Hartsell (A)	Robert Hartsell Dianne Overstreet Wayne Powers Les Mayhew Breeana Hunter (A) Jamie Meurer
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Dianne Overstreet	Pat Hunter
JUNIOR SERMON	Pat Hunter	Susan Walker
JUNIOR CHURCH	Mary Beth Coleman Madison Foster	Jennifer Smyth Jared Smyth
NURSERY	Ruby Spain	Rose Scott
COUNTING	Sandy Hunter Sheila Fields	Donald Hunter Rose Scott

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

For Cross & Menzies families Donna Allen, broken arm from fall Ryan McGill, brother of Dianne Overstreet's co-worker Drew Moncol, recovering from surgery. Maryland Blanchard (Grace & Helen Cibula's friend) Mary Chadwick (Dink Armstrong's sister) Frank Solesbee, hospitalized, John Randolph, pneumonia Ellie Wheelan, recovering at home Nancy Hettrick, health issues Johnnie Smith, health issues Ed Smiley (Doug Holc's friend) "Traveling Mercies"	All affected by acts of violence & natural disasters Lawrence & James Hartsell (Robert Hartsell's brothers) Connie Lichvar (Evelyn Lichvar's daughter-in-law), ICU, recovering from emergency surgery Jonathan Bottoms, in a motorcycle accident Pam Harsh, Bradley Cooper, Jacob Spain, in college Russell Houston (Sheila Fields's brother), surgery Valerie Harsh's foster-daughter Andrea, health issues & Valerie as she travels to be with Andrea Amy Townson (Josh Ingram's sister), recovering, home Martha Sodak-Staples, surgery issues Mark Chariton, Janet Swinton's son-in-law, health issues Nita Spain (Keith Spain's stepmother), in St. Mary's Frankie Meade, Glenda Mayhew's mother Tommy Forehand (Bishops' friend), recovering, home Victor Tomko (Doug Holc's cousin), in-home rehab Frankie Lee (Wayne Powers' friend), surgery Ed Hornbuckle (Megan Cashing's grandpa), hospitalized w/knee problem Katherine Tompkins, Waverly Rehab Grace Cibula, continuing recovery, home after accident Helen Cibula, hospitalized in John Randolph
And: Marian McDonald Don Vtipil Gladys Wiseman June Hawks Audrey Turner Evelyn Lichvar Kenneth Figg Ruth Figg Aida Faries Henry Parker	Joy: Blake Bishop, improving since knee surgery

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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