

A dramatic sunrise over a landscape. The sky is filled with vibrant colors of orange, yellow, and blue, with large, dark clouds. In the foreground, a large, dark stone structure, possibly a tomb or a monument, is visible. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a bright glow. The overall scene is serene and evocative.

*Just after*  
sunrise,  
they came  
to the tomb.

MARK 16:2

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 20, 2014 - 11:00 a.m.

Resurrection of the Lord/Easter

Liturgical Color: White

PCUSA Emphasis: "One Great Hour of Sharing"

***"I love the LORD, because he has heard my voice and my supplications. Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore, I will call on him as long as I live."*** ***Psalm 116:1-2***

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: Behold the victory of our God: Jesus, our Lord, has conquered the grave!

**All: Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

One: Sin and death shall reign no more.

**All: Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

One: Let this place resound with joy.

**All: Christ is risen! Alleluia! Thanks be to God!**

\*Opening Hymn

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

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### Prayer of Confession (in unison)

*Lord Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit we have been raised from the waters of baptism to share in your glorious resurrection. Yet we have not lived as Easter people. We are unsure of your promise, confused about your will, and afraid in the face of danger. Whenever we are tempted to fear death, give us courage to confess your Easter victory. Whenever we are distracted by petty conflicts, keep our minds on your reconciling love. Forgive us our sin and let our lives be a testimony to your salvation, through the love of God and by the power of the Holy Spirit. 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: Hear the good news of the gospel:

**All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, healed, and made whole.**

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

**All: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. 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 – 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 use during the service.)

Choral Anthem "Christ Is Arisen, Indeed!"

Bible Readings: Old Testament: Jeremiah 31:1-6 Pg. 641

New Testament: Matthew 28:1-10 Pg. 811

Sermon "Empty Life" Rev. Jason Cashing

\*Reflective Hymn "Lift High the Cross" #287

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

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

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. Amen. *[from The Nicene Creed]*

### **Prayers of the People (in unison)**

*(The minister will lead the people in prayer, with each petition followed by the congregational response, until we pray together the Lord's Prayer, "Our Father ...")*

One: Lord, in your mercy,

**All: Hear our prayers.**

\*Departing Hymn "Lift Up Your Heads, O Mighty Gates"

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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 go out into the world as the body of Christ, bearing the good news of the gospel. We are blessed, indeed. 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.

**LINE DANCE CLASS** - Monday, April 21 (“Easter Monday”) - Cancelled.

**DIRECTORY/EMAIL UPDATE:** (Eff. 04/03) Harsh Family: [rvpharsh@comcast.net](mailto:rvpharsh@comcast.net)

**CASA SUPERHERO 5K RACE (St. Joseph’s Villa)!** What are you doing on the morning of **Saturday, April 26**? Do you dream of being outside and enjoying spring weather? Want to do something to promote a good cause in our region? It’s not too late to sign up to join Jason and others in participating in the CASA Superhero 5K! Walk or run, it will be a good time of fellowship and exercise! See Jason for more details on how to register to participate or support!

**OUTREACH COMMITTEE PLANS GROUP TRIP TO FLYING SQUIRRELS GAME!** The Committee is planning a trip to a Richmond Flying Squirrels game on **Saturday, June 14**, and we want you to join us! We’ll carpool up to The Diamond, and sit as a group for an evening of fun! Tickets will cost between \$10 - \$15, depending on where we sit. If interested, please officially sign up on sheet in the Narthex, and see Josh or Jason with questions!

**LIFE SKILLS SEMINAR “ROUTINE HOME MAINTENANCE”** - This first of several Life Skill Seminars will cover minor electrical work, plumbing, and drywall repair) in the GMPC Fellowship Hall will be hosted May 31 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. A light lunch will be provided.

## 2014 STEWARDSHIP TO DATE

<u>The Facts:</u>		<u>The Figures:</u>	
Annual budget expense	\$139,456	Offering 04/06	\$3,283.00
Pledged & projected income	\$128,665	Offering 04/13	\$2,611.25
Monthly budget needs	\$ 11,621	Offering 04/20	
Weekly budget needs	\$ 2,682	Offering 04/27	

### ATTENDANCE: April 13, 2014

Worship: 68	Sunday School: 15
Spiritual Enrichment	7
Fellowship	8
Jr. - Sr. High	0
Children	0

### THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY: April 20 - May 03, 2014

	April 20-26	April 27- May 03
Today	<b>EASTER</b> 20 <b>7:00 am</b> Sunrise Service, Breakfast <b>9:45 am</b> Sunday School , Easter Egg Hunt <b>11:00 am</b> Worship  <i>One Great Hour of Sharing Offering</i>	<b>9:45 am</b> Sunday School 27 <b>11:00 am</b> Worship
Monday	21	<b>9:30 am</b> Line Dance 28 <b>1:00 pm</b> PG TRIAD @ PG Library <b>7:00 pm</b> Christian Ed
Tuesday	22	29
Wednesday	<b>7:00 pm</b> Choir 23	<b>7:00 pm</b> Choir 30
Thursday	<b>2:00 pm</b> News letter out 24 <b>2-8:00 pm</b> Cleaning	<b>2-8:00 pm</b> Cleaning MAY 01
Friday	25	02
Saturday	<b>9:00 am</b> CASA Superhero 5K Race 26 @ St. Joseph's Villa, Richmond; (registration at 8:00 am)	03

**GATEKEEPER:**

Josh Ingram

Sunday Servants	April 20, 2014 - "Easter"	April 27, 2014
USHERS & ACOLYTES (A)	Keith Spain Ruby Spain Morgan Ingram Josh Ingram Breeana Hunter (A) Jamie Meurer (A)	Bobby Allen Donna Allen Velma Allen Jerry Bond Chayse Hartsell (A) Kaitlyn Hartsell (A)
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Mary Kay Schroeter	Rose Scott
JUNIOR SERMON	Pat Hunter	Megan Cashing
JUNIOR CHURCH	Patsy Johnson Jamie Meurer	Lisa Brown Madison Foster
NURSERY	Susan Walker	Glenda Mayhew
COUNTING	Sandy Hunter Rose Scott	Morgan Ingram Ron Recher

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

<p>Mark Chariton (home) Drew Moncol, recovering (surgery) Nancy Hettrick, health issues Audrey Turner, Healthsouth Rehab Ed Smiley (Doug Holc's friend), recovering from surgery Bowman family Frank Solesbee, recovering, home Glenn Anderson: health issues, kidney Shirley MacNeil's friend, "Bill" (hospitalized)</p> <p>"Traveling Mercies"</p> <p><b>And:</b> Henry Parker           Aida Faries Marian McDonald      Don Vtipil June Hawks</p>	<p>All affected by acts of violence &amp; natural disasters Robert Hartsell's brothers: James (status unchanged) &amp; Lawrence Hartsell (status critical) Pam Harsh, Bradley Cooper, Jacob Spain, in college Amy Townson (Josh Ingram's sister), recovering, home Nita Spain (Keith Spain's stepmother) health issues Victor Tomko (Doug Holc's cousin), in-home rehab Helen Cibula, returned to Hopewell Convalescent Ctr Maryland Blanchard (Grace &amp; Helen Cibula's friend) Mary Chadwick (Dink Armstrong's sister) Vonnie Edwards (David Johnson's aunt) health issues Marcella Chevalier, Sara-Lynn's step-grandmother Lee Hettrick (father of Natalie Griggs, Susan Walker's co-worker), health issues Mike &amp; Brenda Harrington (friends of Valerie Harsh), Brenda has a head injury Family &amp; friends of the late Michelle Duell Burcham</p> <p><b>JOY:</b> Johnnie Smith has returned home!</p>
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# Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



Easter Flowers - 2014

*The beautiful lilies in our sanctuary are given to the glory of God by:*

**Bobby & Donna Allen** in honor of their grandchildren (Lily Gravina, Briana Gravina & Danny Johnson) and also in memory of their fathers (Stephen Ondisko & Darrell Allen).

**Jason & Megan Cashing** in honor of their grandparents (Ed & Carol Hornbuckle and Ruth Grieser), and in memory of their grandparents (Jane Jencks & Robert Brown, Chet & Grace Cashing, and Robert Grieser).

**Aida Faries** in memory of her husband (Warren Faries), and also in memory of her mother -in-law (Bessie Faries).

**The Hunter Family** in honor of Breeana Hunter and our other new members; and also in memory of Henry & Pearle Livesay, Robert & Wilma Hunter, and Edith & Cliff Mayerhoefer.

**Larry & Linda Johnson** in honor of their grandchildren (Corinne, Jack, Owen & Natalie) and in memory of their parents (Homer & Mae Elkins and Clarence & Ima Johnson).

**Kelly Knupp & Family** in memory of Rick Knupp and George A. Elder.

**Shirley MacNeill** in memory of James MacNeill and Trudy McClenny.

**Ron & Judy Recher** in memory of their parents (Carl & Alice Aufdermarsh and William & Alcie Recher).

**Rose Scott & Wayne Powers** in memory of Roland Wiseman, Peg Ward, and Jimmy Wiseman.

**Marquita Simpson** in memory of Jerry Simpson.

**Janet Swinton** in memory of Raymond Swinton.

**Barbara Taliaferro** in memory of Tommie L. Taliaferro.

**The Webber Brothers** in memory of Harold & Alberta Webber, parents; also in memory of Albert & Helen Burtner, grandparents.

**Gladys Wiseman** in memory of Roland Wiseman and Jimmy Wiseman.



**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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