GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, June 22, 2014 11:00 a.m.



"Sunday in the Park" Worship & Picnic

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jerry Bond

PASSING OF THE PEACE/SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Rev. Jason Cashing

Call to Worship

One: God cares for us completely and calls for our total commitment.

All: Christ gave his life that we might live and calls us to give our lives to him.

One: Through Christ we have died to sin;

All: In Christ we are fully alive to God. Come, let us worship God!

*Opening Hymn (on reverse) "This Is My Father's World"

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God of the ages, of every generation and place, send your Holy Spirit to help us confess and truly repent of our sins. We turn against one another; we fail to care for the weak and poor among us. We pay no heed to the cries of the powerless; we seek our own advantage. Your Son emptied himself upon a cross and revealed your eternal, self-giving love. Forgive us, merciful God. Wipe sin from our lives and let us find ourselves wholly in Jesus Christ, our Savior. It is in his name that we pray. *Amen.*

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!

The Giving of Our Tithes, Gifts and Selves to God

Offertory

*Prayer of Dedication

Time for Children - Junior Sermon Susan Walker

"Come Thou Fount" Led by Rev. Jason Cashing

Bible Readings: 1st Reading: Genesis 21:8-21 & 2nd Reading: Matthew 10:24-39

Sermon "Brother vs. Brother" Rev. Jason Cashing

Reflective Hymn (on reverse) "Amazing Grace"

*We Affirm Our Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church... In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all people to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" [from The Brief Statement of Faith]

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 (on reverse) "Pass It On"

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

Opening Hymn: "This Is My Father's World"

This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears

All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.

This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought

Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas – his hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world: Oh, let me ne'er forget

That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.

This is my Father's world: The battle is not done;

Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heaven be one.

Reflective Hymn: "Amazing Grace"

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;

How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come;

Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures;

He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,

We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

Departing Hymn: "Pass It On"

It only takes a spark to get a fire going.

And soon all those around, can warm up to its glowing.

That's how it is with God's love, once you've experienced it:

You spread God's love to everyone, you want to pass it on.

What a wondrous time is spring when all the trees are budding,

The birds begin to sing, the flowers start their blooming;

That's how it is with God's love, once you've experienced it;

You want to sing, it's fresh like spring, you want to pass it on.

I wish for you my friend, this happiness that I've found:

You can depend on Him, it matters not where you're bound.

I'll shout it from the mountain top, I want the world to know:

The Lord of love has come to me, I want to pass it on.

All hymns taken from the <u>Worship & Rejoice</u> hymnbook: Hope Publishing Company, 2001, and <u>The Presbyterian Hymnal</u>: Westminster/John Knox Publishing, 1990. CCLI: 3162073

ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDERS

LINE DANCE CLASS for tomorrow is cancelled.

PRINCE GEORGE TRIAD will be meeting tomorrow at 1 p.m. in the PG Library. Ms. Toy Newcomb, Director of Marketing and Admissions for Dunlap House Assisted Living, will address the group with the topic of "Maintain Your Brain". Also, Cindy Simmons will share information on a new Prince George business (approved by Medicare) called HCC Personal Care. Attend and learn how they can help families in need!

BOY SCOUT TROOP 900 HONOR COURT & DINNER - Wednesday, June 25, 6:00 p.m., GMPC Fellowship Hall.

CAMP HANOVER DAY CAMP AT GMPC - <u>June 23-27</u>, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Also, Camp Hanover "Parents" Night" on June 26 from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m.

CUB SCOUTS SPAGHETTI DINNER FUND-RAISER - Saturday, June 28 at 5 p.m. in the GMPC Fellowship Hall.

DO YOU LIKE TO BAKE? Is it a joy for you to show hospitality to others? If so, please consider assisting the Outreach Committee with an important task – baking and delivering cookies to new visitors of Gregory Memorial! Every time someone visits and leaves information, someone brings them cookies within 72 hours, welcoming them and showing our hospitality. Outreach is looking to expand the pool of volunteers who provide this service. If you're interested, please sign up in the Narthex, and speak to Judy Recher. Thank you!

<u>2014 STEWARDSHIP TO DATE</u>

Offering 06/01 Offering 06/08 \$3,582.50 \$2,894.00 Offering 06/15 \$1,041.00

ATTENDANCE June 15, 2013 - Worship: 69; Sunday Sch: 15 (Enrich.: 5; Fellowship: 10; Youth:0; One Room: 0)

NEXT SUNDAY'S (June 29) SERVANTS: Ushers & Acolytes(*): Keith Spain, Ruby Spain, Morgan Ingram, Josh Ingram, Breeana Hunter*, Kaitlyn Hartsell* Ushers & Acolytes(*):

Announcements: Mary Kay Schroeter

Junior Sermon: Valérie Harsh Junior Church: Marguerite Bishop, Mattie Lynn Metschke

Susan Walker Nursery:

Counting: Sandy Hunter, Kevin Foster

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