

Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



March 8, 2015 – 11:00 a.m.

We welcome you to worship with us this morning, as we gather in community to draw closer to God, made known in Christ. We pray you would know the presence of the Lord, through our worship, and through the work of the Spirit. We invite you to take these moments before worship to calm your hearts and minds, and open yourself to quiet stillness of the presence of God!

GOD GATHERS THE PEOPLE

Prelude

Sandra Perkins & Gail Rollings

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Jerry Bond

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Jason Cashing

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Call to Worship

One: The message of the cross sounds foolish to the world;

All: But to us it is the power of God!

One: We proclaim the scandal of Christ crucified.

All: The foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom,

One: And the weakness of God is stronger than our strength.

All: Let us seek God with our hearts in worship!

***Opening Hymn #39 – Great Is Thy Faithfulness**

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Merciful God, how fickle we are; we sin against you without even knowing it. Clear us, we pray, of any unknown sin, and save us from willfully ignoring your way. Forgive us for worshiping anyone or anything but you. Forgive us for failing to honor all our relationships. Help us to speak words of blessing and kindness. Forgive us for thinking everything depends on our efforts and power, and help us to depend on you alone, and to rest in your peace. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

(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 that we have been forgiven, and be at peace!

All: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

Amen!

***Congregational Response (Hymn #581)**

The Giving of our Tithes, Gifts, & Selves to God – Offertory

***Congregational Response (Hymn #606)**

***Prayer of Dedication**

WE ENCOUNTER GOD'S WORD

Time for Children – Junior Sermon

Rev. Jason Cashing

(Children ages 3 – 1st Grade are invited to Junior Church following the anthem; older youth may take a 'Worship Board')

Choral Anthem – My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

Scripture Readings

1st Reading: Exodus 20:1-17

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2nd Reading: John 2:13-22

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Sermon

“Can and Should”

Rev. Jason Cashing

***Reflective Hymn** #166 – Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***We Affirm Our Faith**

We are not alone; we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our Judge and our Hope. In life, in death, life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

[from The Iona Abbey]

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayers.

***Departing Hymn** #816 – If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee

***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 & Postlude**

THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

S	2:00 am Start Daylight Saving Time 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship, followed by Luncheon & discussion <i>Place your Easter Lily orders</i>	8	9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship <i>Place your Easter Lily orders</i>	1 5
M	1-9 pm Scouts Order of Arrow I'net com. class Fellowship Hall	9		1 6
T	6:30 pm Outreach 7:00 pm Stewardship & Finance	1 0		1 7
W	7:00 pm Choir	1 1	7:00 pm Choir	1 8
T	9:00 am News letter articles in 12:00 pm Lenten Service & Lunch (Host: Sacred Heart Ch.) 2-8:00 pm Cleaning 6:00 pm Relay For Life meeting	1 2	12:00 pm Lenten Service & Lunch (Host: Newville UMC Ch.) 2-8:00 pm Cleaning	1 9
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S	9:00 am-6:00 pm Turner/Rosenthal family baby shower in Fellowship Hall	1 4	8:00 am Breakfast/GMPC Work Day (Rain date: 3/28)	2 1

SUNDAY SERVANTS



Gatekeeper: Keith Spain

	March 8, 2015	March 15, 2015
USHERS	Robert Hartsell Dianne Overstreet Melissa Johnes Chris Johnes	Keith Spain Ruby Spain Morgan Ingram Josh Ingram
ACOLYTES	Chayse Hartsell Justin Ellis-Bowman	Kiley Johnes Ella Johnes
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Jerry Bond	Mary Kay Schroeter
JUNIOR SERMON	Minister	Megan Cashing
JUNIOR CHURCH	Melissa Johnes Justin Ellie-Bowman	Mary Holc Jared Smyth
NURSERY	Rose Scott	Susan Walker
COUNTING	Kevin Foster Glenda Mayhew	Donald Hunter Rose Scott

FINANCIAL UPDATE

The 2015 Facts & Figures	YTD	Thru 2/28/15	Offrg.	Rec'd.
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$130,219	Inc.	\$ 17,198.94	03/01 \$5,070.00
Ann. budget exp.	\$136,257	Exp.	\$ 17,847.87	03/08
Mo. budget needs	\$ 11,355	Diff.	\$ (648.93)	03/15
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,620			03/22
				03/29

ATTENDANCE: March 1, 2015

Worship: 39	Sunday School: 12		
	Spiritual Enrich. 7	Youth 0	
	Fellowship 1	Children 4	

OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS

Our military and their families
Our college students & the 2014/15 K-12 School Year
Lucille Link, Patsy Johnson's mother
Helen Cibula
Mark Smiley
Bucky Allen
Beverly Childress
Ruby Hasky
Wayne Hedgepeth, Ruth Figg's nephew (health issue)
Bill McAllister
Frank Solesbee
Donna Allen
Aida Faries
Don Vtipil
Marian McDonald
James Hartsell, Robert Hartsell's brother
Amy Townson, Josh Ingram's sister
Doris Karnowski, Josh Ingram's grandmother
Mike & Brenda Harrington, Valerie Harsh's friends
Maryland Blanchard, Grace and Helen Cibula's friend
Ben Nicely, Spain family's friend
Mila Campen, Ann Hartsell's mother
Bob Hogsett, father-in-law to the Rechers' daughter
Mary Chadwick, Dink Armstrong's sister
David Childress, Beverly Childress' brother
Inez Paul, Mary Holc's mother
Tracy Taliaferro
Brittany Mason, Kenny Overstreet's niece (surgery)
Peyton Audrey, Audrey Turner's great-granddaughter
Mark Chariton (new health issue)
Martin Bauer, Evelyn Lichvar's brother (health issue)
Becky Smith (recovery from procedure)
David Johnson
Joanne Overstreet
Jimmy Clark (hospitalized)
Audrey Turner (health issues)
Jerry Bond
Beth Thompson, Susan Walker's co-worker (health issues)
Marty Moran, Marguerite Bishop's friend (surgery)
Larry Katz, coworker of Keith Spain
Chuck Barnes, friend of Ingrams
Peggy Allen, recovering from procedure
Sterling Riggs, Glenda Mayhew's friend (health issue)
Family/friends of Henry Parker (d. 02/16)
Family/friends of Ruth Grieser

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reminder: Following worship this morning, we will gather for lunch in the Fellowship Hall, after which we will hold our annual meeting (briefly) and then hear from Pastor Jason about his trip to Israel!

Note to Gregory Congregation: We gratefully appreciate and thank you for all of your prayers and kindnesses during the illness and passing of our esteemed colleague and dear friend, Henry Parker.

[Blake and Marguerite Bishop]

PLEASE USE CARE while near the areas under repair in the upstairs and downstairs church areas! Bathroom situation: Men's and Women's upstairs and downstairs bathrooms are out of service, but the small upstairs classroom bathroom and Pastor's study bathroom are available, if needed.

Line Dancing class is cancelled until further notice, pending repairs.

Order Easter Lilies (\$12.50 each) or make a charitable donation on the enclosed form until March 22. Please leave the completed form and check payable to Gregory Memorial Church in collection plate.

Change to Lenten Schedule: Our thanks to Church of the Sacred Heart for hosting our Lenten service while we repair our water damaged areas.

Lenten Schedule: Prayer at 12 noon followed by a simple lunch.

Mar. 12 Church of the Sacred Heart, 9300 Community Lane

Mar. 19 Newville UMC, 9014 Hines Road

Mar. 26 Bethlehem Congregational Church, 10501 Pole Run Road

GMPC Information

www.gregorymemorial.org www.facebook.com/gmpcva
804.732.1081 Office Hours: Tuesday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Pastor: Rev. Jason Cashing (Jason@gregorymemorial.org)

Secretary: Nancy Adams (gregorymemorialoffice@verizon.net)

Organist: Sandra Perkins Accompanist: Gail Rollings

Treasurer: Kevin Foster Financial Sec.: Sandy Hunter

Session Members

Rose Scott (2015); Glenda Mayhew (2015); Mary Kay Schroeter (2015);

Pat Hunter (2016); Josh Ingram (2016); Keith Spain (2016);

Mary Holc (2017); Susan Walker (2017); Robert Hartsell (2017);

Donald Hunter (Clerk of Session)

Trustees

Donald Hunter (Class of 2015)

Morgan Ingram (Class of 2016)

Greg Webber (2017)