

Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



July 19, 2015 – 10:00 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 will 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 the quiet stillness of the presence of God!

GOD GATHERS THE PEOPLE

Prelude

Sandra Perkins & Gail Rollings

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Dianne Overstreet

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Jason Cashing

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Call to Worship

One: Christ says, "Come away to a deserted place and rest a while."

All: God calls us to quiet and rest.

One: Even as we continue to minister to those in need,

All: God prepares a place for us to be renewed and restored.

One: Let us join in worship, and seek the peace of our Lord.

All: Let us sing praise to God, who alone can refresh our spirits.

***Opening Hymn #451 – Open My Eyes, That I May See**

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God of green pastures, we confess that we can get so busy and distracted that we lose sight of your love and care for us. We forget to live in gratitude and fail to live lives of goodness and mercy.

Forgive us, heal us, and lead us down gentle paths that restore our souls. 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

Pat Hunter

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

Anthem

Scripture1st Reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-14a

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2nd Reading: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

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Sermon

“With the People”

Rev. Jason Cashing

Reflective Hymn #630 – Fairest Lord Jesus*WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD*****We Affirm Our Faith**

We believe in God, whose love is the source of all life and the desire of our lives, whose love was given a human face in Jesus of Nazareth, whose love was crucified by the evil that waits to enslave us all, and whose love, defeating even death, is our glorious promise of freedom. Therefore, though we are sometimes fearful and full of doubt, in God we trust; and, in the name of Jesus Christ, we commit ourselves, in the service of others, to seek justice and to live in peace, to care for the earth and to share in the commonwealth of God’s goodness, to live in the freedom of forgiveness and the power of the Spirit of Love, and in the company of the faithful to be the Church, for the glory of God.

Amen.

*[from The Iona Abbey Community]***Prayers of the People & Lord’s Prayer**

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayers.***Departing Hymn #305 – Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!*****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	9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship	1 9	9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship <i>5 Cents A Meal Offering</i>	2 6
M	<i>Tri-Cities Work Camp</i> <i>(Lunch: Presby. Women)</i>	2 0	<i>7 pm Christian Ed</i>	2 7
T	6:30 pm Missions <i>Tri-Cities Work Camp</i> <i>(Lunch: Congregational Care)</i>	2 1		2 8
W	<i>Tri-Cities Work Camp</i> <i>(Lunch: Worship)</i>	2 2		2 9
T	2:00 am Newsletter out 2-8:00 pm Cleaning 7:00 pm Stewardship & Fin. <i>Tri-Cities Work Camp</i> <i>(Lunch: Facilities)</i>	2 3	2-8:00 pm Cleaning	3 0
F	<i>Tri-Cities Work Camp</i> <i>(Lunch: Missions)</i>	2 4	9:00 am Committee reports in	3 1
S	<i>Tri-Cities Work Camp (ends)</i> 8:00 am-1:30 pm Cub Scouts Yard Sale, GMPC parking lot	2 5	AUG	1

SUNDAY SERVANTS



Gatekeeper: Gregg Webber

	July 19, 2015	July 26, 2015
USHERS	Sheila Fields Janet Swinton Marguerite Bishop Valerie Harsh	Robert Hartsell Dianne Overstreet Melissa Johnes Chris Johnes
ACOLYTES	Kiley Johnes Ella Johnes	Jaime Meurer Kaitlyn Hartsell
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Dianne Overstreet	Rose Scott
JUNIOR SERMON	Pat Hunter	Megan Cashing
JUNIOR CHURCH	Lisa Brown Jamie Meurer	Patsy Johnson Breeana Hunter
NURSERY	Ruby Spain	Rose Scott
COUNTING	Sandy Hunter Mary Kay Schroeter	Morgan Ingram Donald Hunter

The 2015 Facts &	Figures	YTD	Thru 4/30/15	Offrg.	Rec'd.
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$130,219	Inc.	\$ 47,003.21	07/05	\$3,310.00
Ann. budget exp.	\$136,257	Exp.	\$ 48,265.53	07/12	\$1,405.00
Mo. budget needs	\$ 11,355	Diff.	\$ (1,262.32)	07/19	
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,620			07/26	
				07/30	

ATTENDANCE: July 12, 2015

Worship: 55	Sunday School: 10	
	Spiritual Enrich	Youth
	Fellowship 10	Children

OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS

Our military members & their families
Lucille Link, Patsy Johnson's mother
Wayne Hedgepeth, Ruth Figg's nephew (health issue)
Don Vtipil
Marion 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, the Spain family's friend
Mila Campen, Ann Hartsell's mother
Mary Chadwick, Dink Armstrong's sister
David Childress, Beverly Childress' brother
Mark Chariton
Evelyn Lichvar (health issues)
Martin Bauer, Evelyn Lichvar's brother (health issue)
Rick Lichvar, Evelyn Lichvar's son (chronic illness)
Becky Smith
Jimmy Clark (hospitalized)
Audrey Turner (health issues)
Larry Katz, Keith Spain's co-worker
Chuck Barnes, the Ingrams' friend
Dawn Kriigel, Morgan Ingram's friend
Dianne Overstreet & Jaylon
Dr. Shannon Bowman (health issue)
Peggy Allen
Bob Hogsett, father-in-law to the Rechters' daughter
Russell Heiser, Ingrid Phoenix's grandson (health issues)
Aida Faries
Frances Sebera (recovering, health issue)
Helen Cibula
Cheryl May, employee of Susan Walker
Joanne Overstreet
Elizabeth Scott
Ruth Figg
Donnie Grove, Bobby & Donna Allen's friend, (Chippenham ICU)
Carol & Hugh Mayes, Pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church, hospitalized
Brandon Quinton Lambert, son of Morgan Ingram's coworker,
Micah Murphy (newborn, MCV) & parents, Jennifer & James Murphy
Kenneth & Sue Andrews, Childress family's friends
Justin Ellis-Bowman (wrist injury)
Charlie Lambert, MCV
Robert Hunter, Don's brother (health issues)
Charlie Curtis, father of PGHS staff member (health issues, UVA)

OUR JOY THAT THEY ARE HOME: "Ricki" Rolley; Mark Smiley

ANNOUNCEMENTS

To the Gregory Congregation: The Bond Family would like to express their heartfelt thanks for the loving support of the Gregory Church Family during this difficult time. The many prayers, calls, visits, cards, and wonderful food are greatly appreciated. *[Brenda Bond]*

Today is Work Camp “Send-off Day” for our young campers and old staffers. They will appreciate your prayers and support as we send them off for the week. Work Camp base is: Colonial Heights Middle School, 500 Conduit Road, Colonial Heights, Va.

Mailing address for the campers is:

[Camper's name]
c/o Work Camp 2015
P. O. Box 1761
Petersburg, VA 23805.

Visitors to Work Camp's job site must be over age of 18 with a government-issued picture I.D. If you would like to attend the closing ceremonies for Work Camp 2015, come to Colonial Heights Middle School at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 24. ***Thanks for giving us another year of your terrific support, Gregory congregation!***

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 (office@gregorymemorial.org)
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 (2015) - Morgan Ingram (2016) - Gregg Webber (2017)

WorkCamp Commissioning

Leader: This week, these youth and adults will journey from Prince George to Petersburg for an incredible mission of service and love. During this week of incredible experience they, along with other Christians, will touch the lives of hundreds of people. Through the hard work of these WorkCampers, the residents of Petersburg, Virginia, will see God's love in action, and the Kingdom of God come near. Please join us in sending them off with our blessings and prayers...

WorkCamper 1: James 2:17-18 says, "So faith by itself, if it had no works, is dead."

WorkCamper 2: But some will say, "You have faith, and I have works."

Work Camper 1: "Show me your faith apart from your works, and I by my works will show you my faith."

All WorkCampers: During the WorkCamp we will repair homes:

Congregation Men: Nailing, painting, cleaning, sawing...

Congregation Women: Caulking, weatherizing, repairing and digging.

All WorkCampers: During the WorkCamp we will repair lives:

Congregation Men: Caring, sharing, hugging, praying...

Congregation Women: Listening, growing, crying and laughing.

All WorkCampers: The people of Petersburg, Virginia, will never be the same.

All Congregation: YOU will never be the same.

Leader: Lord, bless the attitudes and actions of these WorkCampers. Help them see that you have made them to be valuable tools of love.

All Congregation: All of us can't be at Workcamp. Will you be our church's representatives in Petersburg?

All WorkCampers: We will gladly represent Gregory Memorial.

All Congregation: Will you freely give of your time, energy, and Christian love?

WorkCamp Commissioning

All WorkCampers: We will be servants of God.

All Congregation: We are grateful for your commitment to service, and we pray God's blessings on you.

All WorkCampers: Will you, as a congregation, continue to support us with your prayers?

All Congregation: We will pray for your safety and growth each day.

All WorkCampers: Will you see US as an extension of YOU?

All Congregation: Yes, and we will celebrate your efforts, your ministry.

All WorkCampers: Will you pray that God uses our week of work to demonstrate God's love and Kingdom?

All Congregation: We will pray that the people of Petersburg see a glimpse of God at work through you.

Leader: One of the things we'd like to do this year is to anoint the hands of our WorkCampers, as we send them off. In the Bible, the act of anointing was used to signify the calling of an individual, a setting apart for service. It represented the presence of God in the life of the one anointed for service and leadership. By anointing the hands of our WorkCampers, we are setting them apart for service, and sending them with the Spirit of God.

(Invite down church members for prayer) As a church community, we offer these prayers...(leader continues)...Amen.

With the strength and power of the Holy Spirit, the fellowship of Jesus Christ, and the love of God, Gregory Memorial gladly joins in sending you to Petersburg. May God's presence be with you.

All Congregation: God bless you as you experience the work of God's Kingdom for neighbor and needy!