

Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



August 30, 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

Rose Scott

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Jason Cashing

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Call to Worship

One: Who may abide in the presence of God?

All: Who may live on God's holy mountain?

One: All those who walk blamelessly and do what is right.

All: All those who speak truth from their heart.

One: Let us worship God, that we would be led in righteous paths.

All: Let us praise our Creator, with every breath and fiber of our being!

***Opening Hymn #14 – For the Beauty of the Earth**

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Loving, righteous God, our hearts are defiled with the wickedness you hate. You have called us to yourself, but we have gone away.

Forgetting your Living Word, we cling to dead traditions.

Deceiving ourselves, we abandon your commandments. Cleanse

our hearts from evil intentions; cleanse our tongues from evil

words, so that our worship may be pure and undefiled, and that we may live with you in love for others. 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')

Choral Anthem - When Peace Like a River

Scripture 1st Reading: Song of Solomon 2:8-13 p544
 2nd Reading: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 p818

Sermon “From Joy” Rev. Jason Cashing

***Reflective Hymn #441 – Hear the Good News of Salvation**

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, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

[from The United Church of Canada]

Prayers of the People & Lord’s Prayer

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayers.

***Departing Hymn #362 – Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers**

***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 <i>Local Emergency Aid Offering</i>	3 0		9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship	6
M		3 1		<u>Labor Day</u>	7
T	SEP.	1		<u>First Day of School</u> 6:30 pm Outreach	8
	12:30 pm Circle 7:00 pm Facilities 7:00 pm Worship				
W	2-8:00 pm Cleaning 6:00 pm Personnel 7:00 pm Choir	2		7:00 pm Choir	9
T	6:30 pm Preschool Orientation for Parents, Fellowship Hall	3		2-8:00 pm Cleaning 7:00 pm Stewardship & Finance	1 0
F		4		<u>Patriots Day</u> 11:30 am – 1:00 pm Sanctuary <i>Open</i>	1 1
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SUNDAY SERVANTS



Gatekeeper: Doug Holc (Aug.)
Bobby Allen (Sep.)

	August 30, 2015	September 6, 2015
USHERS	Robert Hartsell Dianne Overstreet Melissa Johnes Chris Johnes	Rose Scott Wayne Powers Morgan Ingram Josh Ingram
ACOLYTES	Jaime Meurer Kaitlyn Hartsell	Breeana Hunter Owen Hunter
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Rose Scott	Mary Kay Schroeter
JUNIOR SERMON	Pat Hunter	Megan Cashing
JUNIOR CHURCH	Jennifer Smyth Austin Smyth	Pat Hunter Kaitlyn Hartsell
NURSERY	Rose Scott	Susan Walker
COUNTING	Sandy Hunter Pat Hunter	Kevin Foster Glenda Mayhew

The 2015 Facts &	Figures	YTD	Thru 6/30/15	Offrg.	Rec'd.
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$130,219	Inc.	\$ 68,944.35	08/02	\$3,476.00
Ann. budget exp.	\$136,257	Exp.	\$ 69,577.58	08/09	\$3,474.00
Mo. budget needs	\$ 11,355	Diff.	\$ (633.23)	08/16	\$1,592.00
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,620			08/23	\$1,775.00
				08/30	

ATTENDANCE: August 23, 2015

Worship: 61	Sunday School: 9
	Spiritual Enrich Youth Fellowship Children

OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS

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
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
Audrey Turner (health issues)
Chuck Barnes, the Ingrams' friend
Dawn Kriigel
Dianne Overstreet & Jaylon
Dr. Shannon Bowman (health issue)
Peggy Allen
Bob Hogsett, father-in-law to the Rechers' daughter
Russell Heiser, Ingrid Phoenix's grandson (health issues)
Aida Faries
Frances Sebera (recovering, health issue)
Helen Cibula
Cheryl May, Susan Walker's employee (& coping w/dads health issues)
Elizabeth Scott
Ruth Figg
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 Curtis, father of PGHS staff member (health issues, improving)
Etta Holc, Doug's mom (recovering, surgery)
Elisha Beverly (Valerie Harsh's daughter), kidney problems
Jimmy Clark, out of hospital
Philip Harris, co-worker of Morgan Ingram
Travis, Bridgette, & Kyle Walker, traveling to 3-yr. deployment: Italy
Valerie Harsh, injured ankle
Eleanor Jones (moved to Johnston-Willis)
Robert Hunter, Don's brother (recovering, surgery)
Family/friends of Joe Yanovitch (d. 8/22)
Family/friends of Charlie Curtis (d. 8/19)
Family/friends of Mitchell Harris (d. 8/22)
Family/friends of Roy Stout (d. 8/22)
Joanne Overstreet, (serious health issue: relapse)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

REMINDER: Next Sunday, Sep. 6, we return to our regular start times for Sunday School (9:45 a.m.) and Worship service (11:00 a.m.).

Preschool Parents' Night Orientation will be held Thursday, Sep. 3 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

School Year 2015/16 starts Tuesday, Sep. 8.

"Back to Sunday School" Sunday is Sunday, Sep. 13 beginning with breakfast in the Fellowship Hall at 9:15 a.m. served by some of Gregory's finest cooks! *Make plans to join us!*

"Relay for Life" meeting will be held Thursday, Sep. 17 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Congregational Care Committee will meet Tuesday, Sep. 22 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

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)