

Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



October 25, 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 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 N. Cashing

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Call to Worship

One: I will bless the Lord at all times.

All: God's praise will continually be in my mouth.

One: My soul makes its boast in the Lord,

All: Let the humble hear and be glad.

One: O magnify the Lord with me,

All: Let us exult God's name together!

***Opening Hymn #37 – Let All Things Now Living**

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Merciful God, we have not been humble. We have discouraged others from seeking you. We have not sought your wisdom.

Forgive us, O God, and teach us to boast only of you. Help us to celebrate when others seek after you. Give us the light of your wisdom and way, through Christ our Lord. 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 Megan Cashing
(*Children ages 3 – 1st Grade are invited to Junior Church after the anthem; older youth may take a 'Worship Board.'*)

Choral Anthem – Here I Am, Lord

Scripture 1st Reading: Job 42:1-6, 10-17 p424
2nd Reading: Mark 10:46-52 p823

Sermon “Turning and Returning” Rev. Jason N. Cashing

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

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 #804** – Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

***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	9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship <i>5 Cents a Meal Offering</i> <i>Begin stewardship campaign</i>	25	NOV. 2:00 am End Daylight Saving Time (set clocks back) 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship 1:30 pm Choir	1
M	1:00 pm PG Triad, PG Library	26	6:00 pm Congregational Care	2
T		27	<u><i>Election Day</i></u> 12:30 pm Circle 5:30-7:00 pm Spaghetti Dinner (fund-raiser), Fellowship Hall 7:00 pm Facilities	3
W	7:00 pm Choir	28	7:00 pm Choir	4
T	2-8:00 pm Cleaning	29	2-8:00 pm Cleaning	5
F		30	Advent Retreat at Camp Hanover (Nov. 6-7) 4:00 pm Regis. & check-in.; 6:00 pm Dinner	6
S	<i>Hallowe'en</i> 2:00 pm <i>Committee reports in</i>	31	4:00 pm Retreat concludes	7

SUNDAY SERVANTS



Gatekeeper: Doug Holc (Oct.)
Bobby Allen (Nov.)

	October 25, 2015	November 1, 2015
USHERS	Jerry Hasky Wayne Powers Glenda Mayhew Les Mayhew	Sheila Fields Janet Swinton Marguerite Bishop Valerie Harsh
ACOLYTES	Kiley Johnes Ella Johnes	Jaime Meurer Kaitlyn Hartsell
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Rose Scott	Dianne Overstreet
JUNIOR SERMON	Megan Cashing	Susan Walker
JUNIOR CHURCH	Patsy Johnson Justin Ellis-Bowman	Megan Cashing Mattie Lynn Metschke
NURSERY	Ann Hartsell	Ruby Spain
COUNTING	Morgan Ingram Rose Scott	David Johnson Kevin Foster

The 2015 Facts &	Figures	YTD	Thru 9/30/15	Offrg.	Rec'd.
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$130,219	Inc.	\$102,670.89	10/04	\$3,410.00
Ann. budget exp.	\$136,257	Exp.	\$103,483.53	10/11	\$1,812.00
Mo. budget needs	\$ 11,355	Diff.	(\$812.64)	10/18	\$2,083.25
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,620			10/25	\$

ATTENDANCE: October 18, 2015

Worship 57	Sunday School 17		
	Spiritual Enrich. 6	Youth 2	
	Fellowship 9	Children 0	

OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS

Lucille Link, Patsy Johnson's mother
Wayne Hedgpeeth, 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
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
Chuck Barnes, the Ingrams' friend
Dr. Shannon Bowman (recov. from health issue)
Peggy Allen (recurring chronic health issues)
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 (Cheryl's dad's health issues)
Elizabeth Scott
Ruth Figg
Brandon Quinton Lambert, son of Morgan Ingram's coworker
Kenneth & Sue Andrews, Childress family's friends
Jimmy Clark
Philip Harris, co-worker of Morgan Ingram
Eleanor Jones (home)
Joanne Overstreet (health issue)
Terry Robertson, Billy Robertson's son
Jean Waymack
Robert Hartsell (recov., health issue)
Elisha Beverly, Valerie Harsh's daughter (health issue recurrence)
Frank Solesbee
T. J. Orr, youth friend of the Bishops (home)
Glenda Bly, Dawn Kriigel's sister-in-law's mom (recov., surgery)
Valerie Harsh (foot injury)
Brenda Bond (recov., health issue)
Billy Robertson (recov., heart attack)
Frank Solesbee (Hopewell Convalescent Center)
Sharon Maderly, Kaitlyn Hartsell's grandmother (health issue)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Homecoming Committee has planned the following events:

- Tuesday, Nov. 3, 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.: Election Night Spaghetti Dinner fund-raiser in the Fellowship Hall will offer spaghetti, salad, dessert & beverage at a modest cost of \$7 per person.
- Saturday, Nov. 21, 9:00 a.m. at Hopewell Optimist Club: Brunswick Stew - pick-up of the pre-ordered stew. (Volunteers are needed to cook the stew on Nov. 20! For volunteering, contact Valerie Harsh or Evelyn Foster.) Our mouth-watering stew will be pre-sold by the Homecoming Committee for \$7 per quart!!
- Bookmarks for Sale! Marguerite is selling bookmarks that she made. They are \$3 each, or 2 for \$5.

Advent Retreat “Keeping Advent Wholly” – Nov. 6-7: On-site registration and check-in is on Friday, Nov. 6 from 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.; dinner is at 6:00 p.m. Retreat concludes Saturday at 4:00 p.m. Lodging and meals included. Visit Camp Hanover website for details at www.CampHanover.org/retreats

From November 1 through December 13, the Gregory’s Choir will meet at 1:30 p.m. on Sundays and also at regular time of 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays to prepare for the Christmas Cantata performance that is scheduled for December 20 at 4:00 p.m.

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)
Mary Holc (2017); Susan Walker (2017); Robert Hartsell (2017);
Donald Hunter (Clerk of Session)

Trustees

Donald Hunter (2015) - Morgan Ingram (2016) - Gregg Webber (2017)