Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church

November 1, 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 Dianne Overstreet

Passing of the Peace Rev. Jason N. Cashing

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Call to Worship
One: Fling wide the temple gates!
All: Open up the ancient doors!
One: The mighty and glorious one is coming.
All: Who is this mighty and glorious one?
One: This is the Lord for whom we have waited!
All: Let us be glad and rejoice in God!

***Opening Hymn** #93 – Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

Prayer of Confession (in unison)
Almighty Lord and God, in Jesus Christ you came from heaven to dwell among us, calling us to be your faithful people. Yet we remain shrouded in sin – we hurt and disgrace ourselves; we abuse and destroy one another; we dishonor your holy name. Forgive us; unbind us and let us go so that we may stand among your saints, rejoicing in your saving grace; through Jesus Christ our redeemer. 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 Susan Walker
***(Children ages 3 – 1st Grade are invited t**o Junior Church after the anthem; 'Worship Boards' are on the front pew for older youth.)*

Choral Anthem – Find Us Faithful

Scripture 1st Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9 p568
2nd Reading: John 32-44 p 874

Sermon "Death's Promise" Rev. Jason N. Cashing

***Reflective Hymn** #803 – My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***We Affirm Our Faith**
We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence for such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of his own glory. Amen.

(from The Scots Confession)

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer
One: Lord, in your mercy,
All: Hear our prayers.

***Departing Hymn** #826 – Lift High the Cross

***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	**NOV** 1 **2:00 am** End Daylight Saving Time (clocks "fall back") **9:45 am** Sunday School **11:00 am** Worship **1:30 pm** Choir	**9:45 am** Sunday School 8 **11:00 am** Worship **1:30 pm** Choir
M	**6:00 pm** Congregational Care 2	9
T	*Election Day* 3 **12:30 pm** Circle **5:30-7:00 pm** Spaghetti Dinner (fund-raiser), Fellowship Hall **7:00 pm** Facilities	**6:30 pm** Outreach 1 **7:00 pm** Worship Com. 0
W	**7:00 pm** Choir 4	*Veterans Day* 1 **7:00 pm** Choir 1
T	**2-8:00 pm** Cleaning 5	**2-8:00 pm** Cleaning 1 **6:30 pm** Relay for Life meeting 2
F	***Advent Retreat at Camp Hanover*** 6 ***** EVENT IS CANCELLED*****	1 3
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SUNDAY SERVANTS

Gatekeeper: Bobby Allen

	November 1, 2015	**November 8, 2015**
USHERS	Sheila Fields Janet Swinton Marguerite Bishop Valerie Harsh	Robert Hartsell Dianne Overstreet Melissa Johnes Chris Johnes
ACOLYTES	Jaime Meurer Kaitlyn Hartsell	Breeana Hunter Owen Hunter
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Dianne Overstreet	Rose Scott
JUNIOR SERMON	Susan Walker	Minister
JUNIOR CHURCH	Megan Cashing Mattie Lynn Metschke	Melissa Johnes Jared Smyth
NURSERY	Ruby Spain	Rose Scott
COUNTING	David Johnson Kevin Foster	Ron Recher Glenda Mayhew

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	$3,865.00

ATTENDANCE: October 25, 2015

Worship 51	Sunday School 19		
	Spiritual Enrich. 5	Youth 1	
	Fellowship 9	Children 4	

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
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
Chuck Barnes, the Ingrams' friend
Dr. Shannon Bowman
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)
Billy Robertson (recov., heart attack)
Frank Solesbee (Hopewell Convalescent Center)
Sharon Maderly, Kaitlyn Hartsell's grandmother (health issue)
H. Martin Robertson (health issues) & wife Carol
Family/friends of Audrey C. Turner (d. 10/23)
Family/friends of Roger Green (d.10/23)

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 at Camp Hanover (Nov. 6-7): Has been cancelled.

From November 1 through December 13, 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.

Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service will be held on Sunday Nov. 22 at 6:30 p.m. at Trinity UMN in Disputanta. Light refreshments will follow service.

GMPC Information

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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)