

Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



November 22, 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: God established the world from of old.

All: God's reign shall never end!

One: God delivered us in freedom and truth.

All: God's love is everlasting!

One: God sent Jesus into the world to lead us in the Kingdom of God.

All: Praise and thanks to our Lord, our King!

***Opening Hymn #267 – “Come, Christians, Join to Sing”**

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Holy One, we dare to call you Lord, but yield to you only fragments of our lives. You had nowhere to lay your head; we surround ourselves with comfort. We expect to serve you with what remains after we have indulged our desires. Forgive our greed, our lack of trust, our desire to pick the times and places we will respond to our call. In your abundant mercy, teach us what it means to follow, even at the cost of our lives. 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; 'Worship Boards' are on the front pew for older youth.)

Choral Anthem – “Here I Am to Worship/O Worship the King”

Scripture 1st Reading: 2 Samuel 23: 1-7
2nd Reading: John 18: 33-37

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Sermon “Last Words”

Rev. Jason N. Cashing

***Reflective Hymn #307** – “God of Grace and God of Glory”

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

***We Affirm Our Faith**

Almighty God, who raised Jesus Christ from the dead and set him above all rule and authority, has given to him all power in heaven and on earth, not only in this age but also in the age to come. God has put all things under the Lordship of Jesus Christ and has made Christ Head of the Church, which is his body. The Church’s life and mission are a joyful participation in Christ’s ongoing life and work...In Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Christ God reconciles all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of the cross. In Christ’s name, therefore, the Church is sent out to bear witness to the good news of reconciliation with God, with others, and with all creation. In Christ the Church receives its truth and appeal, its holiness, and its unity.”
(from The Book of Order, F-1.0201, F-1.0205)

Prayers of the People & Lord’s Prayer

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayers.

***Departing Hymn #269** – “Lead On, O King Eternal!”

***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> Congregational mtg. after worship Decorate Sanctuary after worship 1:30 pm Choir	2 2	9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship <i>Local Emergency Aid Offering</i> 1:30 pm Choir	2 9
M	OFFICE OPEN 7:00 pm Christian Ed	2 3		3 0
T	OFFICE OPEN	2 4	DEC	1
			12:30 pm Circle 6:00 pm Congregational Care	
W	OFFICE OPEN 7:00 pm Choir 2:00 pm Newsletter out 2-8:00 pm Cleaning	2 5	7:00 pm Choir	2
T	<u>Thanksgiving</u>	2 6	2-8:00 pm Cleaning 6:30 pm Advent Kickoff (Tex-Mex food) & Raffle	3
F		2 7		4
S		2 8	3:00 pm GMPC's "Cookies 'N' Cocoa after PG Christmas Parade	5

SUNDAY SERVANTS



Gatekeeper: Bobby Allen

	November 22, 2015	November 29, 2015
USHERS	Bobby Allen Donna Allen Velma Allen Rose Scott	Jerry Hasky Wayne Powers Glenda Mayhew Les Mayhew
ACOLYTES	Kiley Johnes Ella Johnes	Jaime Meurer Kaitlyn Hartsell
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Rose Scott	Rose Scott
JUNIOR SERMON	Patsy Johnson	Pat Hunter
JUNIOR CHURCH	Rose Scott Madison Foster	Jennifer Smyth Austin Smyth
NURSERY	Glenda Mayhew	Ann Hartsell
COUNTING	David Johnson Rose Scott	Morgan Ingram Sandy Hunter

The 2015 Facts &	Figures	YTD	Thru 10/31/15	Offrg.	Rec'd.
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$130,219	Inc.	\$114,306.47	11/01	\$3,981.31
Ann. budget exp.	\$136,257	Exp.	\$115,011.49	11/08	\$3,150.00
Mo. budget needs	\$ 11,355	Diff.	(\$705.02)	11/15	\$1,851.00
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,620			11/25	\$
				11/29	

ATTENDANCE: November 15, 2015

Worship 60	Sunday School 24		
	Spiritual Enrich. 9	Youth 3	
	Fellowship 10	Children 2	

OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS

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

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)

Jean Waymack

Frank Solesbee

Joanne Overstreet (health issue)

Terry Robertson, Billy Robertson's son

Robert Hartsell (recov., health issue)

Elisha Beverly, Valerie Harsh's daughter (health issue recurrence)

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)

Sharon Maderly, Kaitlyn Hartsell's grandmother (health issue)

H. Martin Robertson (health issues) & wife Carol

Lucille Link, Patsy Johnson's mother (recov., surgery)

Peggy Allen (home)

Anita Arth, Ruby Hasky's sister (health issue)

Family/friends of Wayne Hedgepeth, Ruth Figg's nephew (d. 11//5)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our Congregational Meeting will be held today immediately after worship.

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

Christmas Poinsettias – Time to order yours! Cost: \$11 each.
Deadline: Nov. 29. Please use the form provided to order your poinsettia and place the form with payment check in the collection plate.

Bookmarks for Sale! Marguerite is selling bookmarks that she made. They are \$3 each, or 2 for \$5.

Items for Advent Raffle (Fund-raiser for Homecoming) – The Congregational Care Committee is accepting donated items for a raffle during Advent Kick-off to be held Dec. 3. Items need to be at the church by Sunday, Nov. 29.

Advent Kick-off is Dec. 3. Don't forget to sign up to bring your favorite Tex-Mex food to share at our Advent Kick-Off festivities that will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 3. This will be a fun evening as we gather in this special time. Please sign up by Sunday, Nov. 29.

Gregory's Cookies & Cocoa – To be held after PG Christmas Parade, Saturday, Dec. 5. *Watch for cookie sign-up sheet!* Details to follow.

Christmas Card Mail Box – Save postage! Send your Christmas greetings to each other by using the mail box in the Narthex. All cards must be in by Sunday, Dec. 13.

Thanksgiving Week - Church office hours this week are: 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday (Nov. 23-25).

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)