

Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



February 14, 2016 – 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

Greeters:

Jacob Lively

Ethan McQuage

Prelude

Sandra Perkins & Gail Rollings

Chiming of the Hour

Victor Polemeni

Presentation of the Colors

*Josh Dendler
Isaiah Hodges
Gaven McGee*

Welcome & Announcements

Brandon Brockwell

Passing of the Peace/Sharing of Joys Concerns

Bryce Marsee

**Presentation of Charters
& Introduction of Scout Leaders**

Mr. Lowell Flickenger

Call to Worship

Drake Hannuksela

One: The season of Lent sets us on a journey.

All: The journey begins in the wilderness.

One: We follow the way of Jesus, who faced trials, trouble, temptation and testing.

All: Like Jesus, we are not alone. The Holy Spirit is with us. God's Word is on our lips.

One: Our call is to trust in God alone, to do God's will in all things.

All: For God leads us not only into the wilderness, but also through the wilderness.

***Opening Hymn #336 – “We Gather Together”**

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Nathan Nall

Gracious God, we come before you in need of forgiveness and grace. You call us to trust in you completely, but we do not. We are timid and fearful as we follow your lead. We justify our actions and words, though we know they are not what you require. We struggle to understand the new life Christ offers, preferring old habits to risky change. Forgive us, we pray. Help us to be born again into the life of Christ, trusting that you have included us by grace in the family of faith. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

(A Moment of Silent Confession)

Promise of God's Forgiveness

Nathan Nall

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

[Ushers: Bennett Marsee, Nathan Nall, Jacob Lively, Justin Lopez]

Congregational Response (Hymn #606)

*Prayer of Dedication

Reece Webber

WE ENCOUNTER GOD'S WORD

Time for Children – Junior Sermon

Isaiah Hodges

(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 – “Hymn Tapestry”

Scriptures

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 26: 1-11 [p158]

Justin Lopez

2nd Reading: Luke 4: 1-13 [835]

Victor Polemeni

Sermon “Life for Life”

Rev. Jason N. Cashing

***Reflective Hymn #167 – “Forty Days and Forty Nights”**

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

***We Affirm Our Faith**

Brandon Brockwell

The Lord God is our Great Scoutmaster who provides all our needs. He lets us camp in forests tall and meadows green. He leads us on trails besides waters deep and still, brooks babbling, streams rushing, and rivers raging. He restores our bodies, minds and souls, even as we observe the eagle soaring to greater heights above. He encourages the Eagle Scout in his upward climb. He teaches Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts, and Venturers to live the Scout Oath and Law. Even though the trails may lead through dark valleys with towering mountains, we are courageous because he leads us onward. He continually blesses us with food for mind and body. Even when our enemies dislike or distrust us, he blesses us with the gifts of love and forgiveness. Surely, his goodness and mercy will sustain us all the days of our lives. And, when we climb the final trail through the awesome pass that leads to the Great Councilfire, we shall join those who traveled the trail before us and joyfully live with him forever!

Prayers of the People & Lord’s Prayer

Alex Polemeni

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayers.

***Departing Hymn #8 – “Eternal Father, Strong to Save”**

***Blessing**

Bryce Marsee

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**

Rev. Jason N. Cashing

***Choral Benediction & Postlude**

THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

S	<i>Begin Lent</i>	1	9:45 am Sunday School	2
	“Scouts Sunday”	4	11:00 am Worship	1
	9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship, followed by Mural dedication & reception			
M		1 5	1:00 pm PG Triad, PG Library	2 2
T	7:00 pm Session meeting	1 6		2 3
W	7:00 pm Choir	1 7	7:00 pm Choir	2 4
T	9:00 am News articles in 12:00-1:00 pm Lenten Service & Lunch (Host: GMPC) 2-8:00 pm Cleaning	1 8	12:00-1:00 pm Lenten Service & Lunch (Host: Sycamore UMC) 2:00 am Newsletter out 2:00 pm Annual records to POJ 2-8:00 pm Cleaning	2 5
F		1 9		2 6
S	10:00 am-2:00 pm Scrapbooking, Fellowship Hall	2 0		2 7

SUNDAY SERVANTS



Gatekeeper: Josh Ingram

	February 14 2015	February 21, 2015
USHERS	SCOUTS	Robert Hartsell Dianne Overstreet Rose Scott Wayne Powers
ANNOUNCEMENTS	SCOUTS	Rose Scott
JUNIOR SERMON	SCOUTS	Pat Hunter
JUNIOR CHURCH	Susan Walker Jared Smyth	Pat Hunter Jamie Meurer
COUNTING	Morgan Ingram Rose Scott	Donald Hunter Glenda Mayhew

The 2015 Facts & Figures	YTD	Thru 12/31/15	Offrg.	Rec'd.
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$130,219	Inc.	\$139,399.64	2/07 \$3,354.50
Ann. budget exp.	\$136,257	Exp.	\$138,322.38	2/14 \$
Mo. budget needs	\$ 11,355	Diff.	\$ 1,077.26	2/21 \$
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,620			2/28 \$

ATTENDANCE: February 7, 2015

Worship	54	Sunday School	19
		Spiritual Enrich.	9
		Children	2
		Fellowship	6
		Youth	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
Mary Chadwick, Dink Armstrong's sister
David Childress, Beverly Childress' brother
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
Russell Heiser, Ingrid Phoenix's grandson (health issues)
Aida Faries
Helen Cibula
Cheryl May, Susan Walker's employee (Cheryl's dad's health issues)
Elizabeth Scott
Ruth Figg
Kenneth Figg (accidental injury)
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
Terry Robertson, Billy Robertson's son
Elisha Beverly, Valerie Harsh's daughter (health issue recurrence)
T. J. Orr, friend of the Bishops (home)
Valerie Harsh (recov., foot surgery)
Sharon Maderly, Kaitlyn Hartsell's grandmother (health issue)
Lucille Link, Patsy Johnson's mother (recov., surgery)
Peggy Allen (home)
Anita Arth, Ruby Hasky's sister (health issue)
The Juliano family, the Cashings' friends (fire/smoke damage to home)
Berthel & Izzy Garza, Mary Kay Schroeter's friends (health issue)
Tiffany Portser, Melissa Johnes's cousin (health issue)
Mary Mistr (fire damage to home)
Otto Eickmeyer, Sandy Eickmeyer's dad (pending surgery: back)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Sanctuary flowers are given to the glory of God by the Hunter family in memory of Sandy's mother, Pearle Livesay (Birthday: Feb. 11).



Today, in observance of "Scouts Sunday" members of Venture Crew 900, Boy Scout Troop 900 and Cub Scout Pack #910 are participating in our morning worship service.

After the service, Gregory's congregation is invited to the dedication of the mural painted by Eagle Scout Joshua Wallace (his Eagle Scout project) on the upstairs Youth Sunday school classroom. The Scouts have invited the congregation to celebrate Scouts Sunday at a reception. Please join our Gregory Scouts in celebrating Scouts Sunday!

Scouts Fund-raisers: Tickets for the Scouts' Pancake Breakfast (Saturday, Feb. 27) at Hopewell Moose Club may be purchased today from the Scouts after worship today at a cost of \$6 per person. Meal includes a delicious hot breakfast of pancakes, sausage, and beverage. (Tickets are also available at Sebera's Hardware!) And, the Scouts are also selling gourmet chocolate bars and beef sticks for \$1 each. *Let's support our Gregory Scouts by purchasing some delicious treats!*

2016 LENTEN SERVICES & LUNCHEON SCHEDULE: Lenten services will held at these area churches beginning at 12 p.m., followed by a light lunch:

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| Feb. 18 | Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church |
| Feb. 25 | Sycamore United Methodist Church |
| Mar. 3 | Trinity United Methodist Church |
| Mar. 10 | Newville United Methodist Church |
| Mar. 17 | Bethlehem Congregational Church |

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

Pat Hunter (2016); Josh Ingram (2016); Bobby Allen (2016)
Mary Holc (2017); Susan Walker (2017); Robert Hartsell (2017)
Blake Bishop (2018); Valerie Harsh (2018); Marquita Simpson (2018)
Donald Hunter (Clerk of Session)

Trustees

Morgan Ingram (2016); Gregg Webber (2017); Mary Kay Schroeter (2018)