



March 13, 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

Prelude

Sandra Perkins & Gail Rollings

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Passing of the Peace/

Sharing of Joys Concerns

Rose Scott

Rev. Jason N. Cashing

Call to Worship

One: When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,

All: We were like those who dream.

One: Then our mouth was filled with laughter and shouts of joy. All: We rejoiced: "The Lord has done great things for us!" One: Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, All: They will come home with joy, carrying the sheaves of their harvest.

*Opening Hymn #463 – "How Firm a Foundation"

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Purifying God, we comfortable with the way things are in our lives, in our church, and in the world. We do not always welcome the new life you offer in Christ, for you overturn our notions of power and protocol. Sure of our own righteousness, we are critical of others. Wanting to control our assets, we hoard the gifts you give us. Forgive us, we pray, for seeking our gain at the expense of others. Help us bend our lives toward your own life of self-giving and sacrifice. Fill us with the abundant love of Christ until we all are made new. In Christ's name we pray. 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 SermonRev. Jason N. Cashing(Children ages 3 – 1st Grade are invited to Junior Church afterthe anthem; 'Worship Boards' are on the front pew for older youth.)

Choral Anthem – "Near the Cross"			
Scriptures	1 st Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21 2 nd Reading: John 12:1-8	p586 p874	
Sermon	"Christ Beside Me"	Rev. Jason N. Cashing	
*Reflective Hymn #702 – "Christ Be Beside Me"			

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*We Affirm Our Faith

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

[Apostles' Creed, p. 35 of Glory to God hymnal]

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

*Departing Hymn #630 – "Fairest Lord Jesus"

*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

T	THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY				
	2:00 am Daylight saving time begins	13	9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship	20	
S	 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship 3:00 pm Youth Workcamp meeting Accepting Easter lily orders 		Last day to order Easter Lilies 3 rd Sunday Luncheon		
Μ		14	3:00 pm Deadline to call in Easter lily order to florist	21	
Т		15		22	
W	7:00 pm Choir	16	1-9:00 pm Scouts Honor Court 6:00 pm dinner), Fellowship Hall 7:00 pm Choir	23	
Т	9:00 am New articles due 12:00-1:00 pm Lenten Service & Lunch, Bethlehem Congregational. Church 2-8:00 pm Cleaning	17	 Maundy Thursday 9:00 am Floral delivery (lilies) 2:00 pm Newsletter out 2-8:00 pm Cleaning 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Holy Communion service 	24	
F		18	Good Friday 12-1:00 pm & 6-7:30 pm Sanctuary open for prayer	25	
S		19	8:00 am Church Work Day beginning with breakfast	26	

SUNDAY SERVANT	S 0 1	Gatekeeper: Bobby Allen
	March 13, 2015	March 20, 2015
	Jerry Hasky	Sheila Fields
USHERS	Wayne Powers	Janet Swinton
	Glenda Mayhew	Marguerite Bishop
	Les Mayhew	Valerie Harsh
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Rose Scott	Dianne Overstreet
JUNIOR SERMON	Minister	Megan Cashing
	Marguerite Bishop	Tara Foster
JUNIOR CHURCH	Madison Foster	Kevin Foster
COUNTING	Kevin Foster	Donald Hunter
COUNTING	Glenda Mayhew	Rose Scott

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	\$3,231.25
Mo. budget needs	\$ 11,355	Diff.	\$ 1,077.26	2/21	\$2,772.50
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,620			2/28	\$1,157.00
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Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,620			3/06	\$3,222.00

ATTENDANCE: Feb. 28 & Mar. 6, 2016

Worship Feb. 28: 44	Sunday School 21	Youth, Children Classes: 0
Worship Mar. 6: 604	. Sunday School 18	Youth, Children Classes: 0

OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS

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 Evelvn 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 (home) Grace Cibula (home) 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 co-worker 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) Valerie Harsh (recov., foot 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 (recov., surgery) Al Rolley (health issues) Kenny Overstreet (health issues) Family/friends of Sharon Matherly (d. 2/7) Family/friends of Norma Berisford, Pam Turner's mother (d. 2/26) Family/friends of Dylan Brockwell, the Bishops' friend (d. 3/3) Family/friends of Ina Beverly, Ruby Hasky's sister (d. 3/3) Family/friends of Scott Sadler, Josh Ingram's friend (d. 3/2) Family/friends of Neal Sorkin, the Cashing family's friend (d. 3/5)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

It's Easter Lily time again!!! <u>Easter lilies may be ordered from</u> <u>now until March 20 at a cost of \$12.50 each</u>. Forms are enclosed in the Sunday bulletin. Please place the completed order form, along with check made payable to "Gregory Memorial Church" in the collection plate.

Tri-Cities WorkCamp Youth meeting, <u>Sunday March 13</u>, 3:00 p.m.

Lenten service and luncheon at Bethlehem Congregational Church, <u>Thursday</u>, <u>March 17</u> (service: 12:00 p.m. and luncheon: 12:30 p.m.)

Church workday for general cleanup, <u>Saturday, March 26</u>, begins with 8:00 a.m. breakfast.

Holy Week Services:

- Maundy Thursday communion service, 7:00 p.m.
- Good Friday Sanctuary open for prayer, 12:00-1:00p.m. and 6:00-7:30 p.m.
- Easter Sunrise Service, March 27, 7:00 a.m. followed by breakfast. Easter egg hunt for children at 9:45 a.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

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)