Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



June 5, 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

Valerie Harsh

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Jason N. Cashing

Sharing of Joys/Concerns

Call to Worship

One: Sing praise to the Lord, you faithful people!

All: Give thanks to God's holy name! One: For the Lord restores our life:

All: God raises us from the dead. One: The Lord will reign forever.

All: Praise the Lord!

*Opening Hymn #610 – "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Lord, forgive us. We are blind to our own brokenness, yet focused on the failings of others. We are deaf to the cries of those who need us, numb to the need of those who hurt. We are silent when words are needed, impotent when action is required. Lord, hear our anguish, pity our brokenness, speak life and forgiveness to our weary souls. 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 Rev. Jason N. Cashing Children ages $3 - 1^{st}$ Grade are invited to Junior Church after the anthem; 'Worship Boards' are on the front pew for older youth.

Choral Anthem – "This Is Our Freedom"

Prayer for Illumination (unison)

Gracious Lord, open our ears that we might hear your Word to us this day, and follow where it leads us. Open our eyes, that we might witness you in the world and proclaim your presence with joy. For the glory of your Kingdom, we pray. Amen. **Scriptures**

1st Reading: 1 Kings 17:8-16

2nd Reading: Luke 7: 11-17

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Sermon

"At Death's Door"

Rev. Jason N. Cashing

*Reflective Hymn #504 – "We Come as Guests Invited"

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 and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and 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.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

[Please refer to the insert.]

*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 CRECORY

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S	9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Holy Communion	5	9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship	12			
M		6	7:00 pm Session meeting	13			
Т	12:30 pm Circle 6:00 pm Congregational Care	7	9:00 am POJ meeting, Providence Forge	14			
W	7:00 pm Choir	8	7:00 pm Choir	15			
Т	2-8:00 pm Cleaning 7:00 pm Stewardship & Finance	9	2:00 pm News articles in 2-8:00 pm Cleaning	16			
F		10		17			
S	8:45 am Rain date for Bull Hill Rd. Clean-up, volunteers meet in GMPC parking lot	11	6:05 pm Flying Squirrels game, Richmond Diamond	18			

SUNDAY SERVANTS		atekeeper: Bobby Allen
	June 5, 2016	June 12, 2016
	Robert Hartsell	Rose Scott
USHERS	Dianne Overstreet	Wayne Powers
	Rose Scott	Morgan Ingram
	Wayne Powers	Josh Ingram
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Valerie Harsh	Mary Kay Schroeter
JUNIOR SERMON	Minister	Megan Cashing
HINHOD CHUIDCH	Marguerite Bishop	Tara Foster
JUNIOR CHURCH	Jared Smyth	Kevin Foster
COUNTING	Donald Hunter	Kevin Foster
COUNTING	Glenda Mayhew	Rose Scott

Facts & Figures		YTD	Thru 4/30/16	Offrg.	Rec'd.
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$133,663	Inc.	\$55,981.47	5/01	\$3,981.60
Ann. budget exp.	\$145,387	Exp.	\$45,772.84	5/08	\$2,131,60
Mo. budget needs	\$ 12,116	Diff.	\$10,208.63	5/15	\$2,201.00
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,796			5/22	\$2,304.50
				5/29	\$1,312.50

ATTENDANCE: May 29, 2016

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Worship 38		Sunday School	16		
			Spiritual Enrich.	8	Children
			Fellowship	8	Youth

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

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

Grace Cibula

Elizabeth Scott

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

Terry Robertson, Billy Robertson's son

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

Peggy Allen

Tiffany Portser, Melissa Johnes's cousin (health issue)

Paul Cerny, Jr. (recov., surgery)

Ruth Figg (recov., knee replacement surgery)

Ruth Dalton (Donny Vtipil's mother), Chippenham with heart problems

Mila Campen, Ann Hartsell's mother (rectal cancer diagnosis)

Eleanor Jones

Dottie Adkins, Bobby Allen's co-worker (upcoming surgery)

Chris Johnes, in Jordan for next month

Vivian Johnes, (Chris Johnes' mother (recov.: heart attack)

Billy Robertson, health issue

Kenny Overstreet, awaiting results

Alan Foster (recov., eye surgery)

Russ Tatum, Dianne Överstreet's cousin (recov.: surgery)

Butch Meade, Glenda Mayhew's brother

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Sanctuary flowers are given to the glory of God by Ron and Judy Recher in honor of their 57th Anniversary.

Flying Squirrels Baseball Game on Saturday, June 18 - Plans are pretty much same as last year: Those who will car-pool are asked to meet at the Gregory parking lot between 4:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Persons who will drive directly to the Diamond and meet the group at the Diamond are asked to contact Jason about their tickets. *Game begins at 6:05 p.m.*

"Sunday in the Park", June 26 at 11:00 a.m. – Please plan to join us for worship in Scott Park! Bring your favorite side-dish(es) to Scott Park for our "Sunday in the Park" worship service. The Church will provide the fried chicken and tea/lemonade. If you have board games, gloves and bats, bring those also for a pick-up game afterward (don't forget your sunscreen lotion!) Prepare for an afternoon of fellowship and fun! See you there!

GMPC Information

 $www.gregorymemorial.org \\ 804.732.1081 \\ Office Hours: Tuesday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.$

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)

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us pray:

All: Loving God, through your goodness, we have this bread and cup to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. May we know your presence in the sharing of this bread, so that we know your touch in all bread, all matter. We celebrate the life that Jesus has shared among his community through the centuries, and shares with us now. Made one in Christ and one with each other, we offer these gifts and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice. Amen.

One: Among friends, gathered round a table, Jesus took bread ... [Minister continues]...The gifts of God for the people of God.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

One: Let us give thanks together:

All: We offer you praise, dear God, and hearts lifted high, for in the communion of your love Christ comes close to us, and we come close to Christ. Therefore, with the whole realm of nature around us, with earth, sea and sky, we sing to you. And with our loved ones, on earth and in your heavenly host, with brothers and sisters around the world, we join in the song of your unending greatness. Amen.

Adapted from the Iona Abbey Community, Scotland