Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



June 25, 2017 – 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. Charlie Summers Guest Preacher

Sharing of Joys/Concerns

Call to Worship

One: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless

God's holy name.

All: Bless the Lord, and forget not all God's benefits.

One: The One who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases.

All: Who ransoms your soul from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love as long as you live. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless God's holy name!

*Opening Hymn #611 – "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Loving God, without your grace we are like sheep without a shepherd. Sometimes we are harassed by sin and feel helpless against its power. Sometimes, in our sin, we use our own power to harass the helpless. We are wolves in sheep's clothing, innocent as serpents and wise as doves. Forgive us, O Lord, and bring us home. Restore us to your flock and fold, we pray; through Jesus Christ, our good shepherd. 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 Valerie Harsh 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

Prayer for Illumination (unison)

Gracious Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that we may hear your word with joy. Amen.

Scripture 1st Reading: Matthew 11:28-30 p792 2nd Reading: Psalm 23:1-6 p435

Sermon "A Psalm for All Seasons" Rev. Charlie Summers

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

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Affirmation of 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 #182 – "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

*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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's guest preacher is Rev. Charlie Summers. Rev. Summers is a member of the Presbytery of the James. He retired last year as Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Richmond. He is married to Marsha, and he enjoys fishing, tennis, and playing with his grandchildren.

New Mailing Address: Karen Tull, 1330 Station Drive, Watkinsville, GA 30677.

No Choir practice July 1-August 15 (on summer hiatus until Aug. 16).

<u>"These Days (July-September)</u> issues are available in the Narthex. Pick up your copy today for some inspirational reading while quantities last!

Don't Miss This! On July 13 at 7 p.m., Christian Ed will host Jonathan Austin. Mr. Austin is a well-known juggler in the Richmond area and promises to give an incredible show. Please take this opportunity to invite someone to join you as this will be entertaining for all ages. Ice cream sundaes will follow Mr. Austin's performance.

GMPC Information

www.gregorymemorial.orgwww.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

Mary Holc (2017); Susan Walker (2017); Robert Hartsell (2017) Blake Bishop (2018); Valerie Harsh (2018); Marquita Simpson (2018) Sandy Hunter (2019), Patsy Johnson (2019); (2019) Charles Smyth (2019) Donald Hunter (Clerk of Session)

Trustees

Gregg Webber (2017); Mary Kay Schroeter (2018); Morgan Ingram (2019)

THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

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	9:45a Sunday School	25	9:45a Sunday School	2				
	11a Worship		11a Worship					
S	11a 5 Cents a Meal offering		•					
	11a Guest preacher: Rev. Charlie							
	Summers							
M		26		3				
T		27	Independence Day	4				
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W	7p Choir practice	28		5				
T	2-8p Church cleaning	29	2-8p Church cleaning	6				
			6p Cong Care Committee					
			7p Worship Committee					
F	2pm Committee reports due	30		7				
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S	JULY	1		8				

SUNDAY SERVANTS

GATEKEEPER: Charles Smyth (June)
Gregg Webber (July)

	June 25, 2017	July 2, 2017	
	Robert Hartsell	Charles Smyth	
USHERS	Dianne Overstreet	Austin Smyth	
USTIERS	Rose Scott	Morgan Ingram	
	Wayne Powers	Josh Ingram	
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Valerie Harsh	Mary Kay Schroeter	
JUNIOR SERMON	Valerie Harsh	Patsy Johnson	
JUNIOR CHURCH	Morgan Ingram/ Josh Ingram	Megan Cashing	
COUNTING	Sandy Hunter	Morgan Ingram	
	Glenda Mayhew	Ron Recher	

Facts & Figures		YTD	Thru 5/31/17	Offrg.	Rec'd.
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$137,530	Inc.	\$58,332.69	6/4	\$2,039.50
Ann. budget exp.	\$145,537	Exp.	\$55,243.55	6/11	\$4,144.55
Mo. budget needs	\$ 12,128	Diff.	\$ 3,089.14	6/18	\$1,219.25
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,799			6/25	\$

ATTENDANCE: June 18, 2017

Worship: 38	Sunday School:	13	
	Spiritual Enrichment:	8	Children:
	Fellowship:	5	Youth:

OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS

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

Mary Chadwick, Dink Armstrong's sister

Evelyn Lichvar, her son, Rick, and her brother, Martin (health issues)

Becky Smith

Russell Heiser, Ingrid Phoenix's grandson (health issues)

Helen & Grace Cibula

Elizabeth Scott

Kenneth & Sue Andrews, Childress family's friends

Jimmy Clark

Terry Robertson, Billy Robertson's son

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

Peggy Allen

Eleanor Jones

Vivian Johnes (improved, at-home rehab)

Butch Meade, Glenda Mayhew's brother

Teresa Knott, PG County employee (health issue)

Billy Robertson (home, feeling better)

Eileen Mozucha (continued recov., home)

Michelle Coleman (health issues & recov.)

Ralph Summerson

George Poulson

Courtney Stewart, friend of the Hunters (Duke Hospital)

Adrienne Wallace, member of Hopewell News staff

Irma Honeycutt, Dave & Patsy Johnson's friend (health issue)

Harvey Spain, (recov., heart surgery)

Ed Armstrong (home, going through dialysis)

T. J. Webb

Jane & Ralph Arehart, Glenda Mayhew's friends (health issues)

Gene Vasek (health issue)

Barbara Taliaferro (recov., knee surgery)

Kay Slade, Rose Scott's friend (health issue)

Ron Woody (health issues)

Carrie King (health issues)

Mila Campen (hospice care)

Gladys Wiseman (home)

Janet Shockley, Susan Walker's mom (recov. after surgery)

Sandy Eickmeyer (recov., home)

Matt Metschke, Mattie-Lynn's dad (lap-band surgery, recov., home)

Perry Lewis

Roger Overstreet (continued health concerns