Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



July 2, 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 Mary Kay Schroeter

Passing of the Peace Rev. Jason N. Cashing

Sharing of Joys/Concerns

Call to Worship

One: I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord,

All: We will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

One: Your steadfast love endures forever.

All: Your faithfulness is as high as the heavens.

One: Happy are those who sing your praise.

All: Joyful are those who extol your righteousness all the day long!

*Opening Hymn #645 – "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

O Lord, you taught us to love you and our neighbor, but we have not lived in right relationship or walked in the light of your love. Forgive us for the wrongs we have done; we know that the wages of sin is death. Yet we trust in your gift of forgiveness, which is freedom and life in Christ. 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 Patsy Johnson 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 - "America"

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: Psalm 28:1-9 p438

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 9:10-15 p942

Sermon "In Appreciation Of..." Rev. Jason N. Cashing

*Reflective Hymn #8 – "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Affirmation of Faith

We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

(from the Iona Abbey Community)

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

One: Lord, in your mercy, **All: Hear our prayers.**

*Departing Hymn #331 – "God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand"

*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

| <u> 1 H</u> | HESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY | | | | | |
|-------------|--|---|---|----|--|--|
| S | 9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship | 2 | "Sunday in the Park" 9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship – Scott Park | 9 | | |
| M | | 3 | 7p Session meeting | 10 | | |
| Т | Independence Day | 4 | | 11 | | |
| W | | 5 | | 12 | | |
| Т | 2-8p Church cleaning 6p Cong Care Committee 7p Worship Committee | 6 | 2-8p Church cleaning 7p Christian Ed program, Fellowship Hall (Performance by Jonathan Austin, "The Juggler") | 13 | | |
| F | | 7 | | 14 | | |
| S | | 8 | | 15 | | |

SUNDAY SERVANTS GATEKEEPER: Gregg Webber

| | July 2, 2017 | July 9, 2017 | |
|---------------|--------------------|--------------------|--|
| | Charles Smyth | Bobby Allen | |
| USHERS | Austin Smyth | Donna Allen | |
| SHERS | Morgan Ingram | Velma Allen | |
| | Josh Ingram | Larry Johnson | |
| ANNOUNCEMENTS | Mary Kay Schroeter | Larry Johnson | |
| JUNIOR SERMON | Patsy Johnson | Minister | |
| JUNIOR CHURCH | Megan Cashing | Jennifer Smyth | |
| COUNTING | Morgan Ingram | Donald Hunter | |
| COUNTING | Ron Recher | Mary Kay Schroeter | |

| 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 | \$2,440.25 |

ATTENDANCE: June 25, 2017

| Worship: 33 | Sunday School: | 11 | |
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| | Spiritual Enrichment: | 6 | 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)

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)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please plan to join us on <u>Sunday, July 9</u>, for "Worship in the Park" (Scott Memorial Park). Worship service will be held in the Park pavilion. Church will provide fried chicken and iced tea/lemonade. Bring your favorite side-dish(es). Also, bring board games, glove and bat for a pick-up ballgame afterward. Prepare for an afternoon of fellowship and fun! See you there!

Camp Hanover is hiring counselors (male and female, 18+) and lifeguards (18+, lifeguard-certified) to round out the staff for the latter part of the summer season, July 9 – August 13. For more info, or to apply, visit **www.camphanover/work-at-camp**.

The Gregory Session will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 10 (for June) in the Session Meeting Room, 2nd Floor. Reports/minutes for months of April and May will be included in the Session agenda.

Don't Miss This! On July 13 at 7:00 p.m. Christian Ed will be hosting 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.

Tri-Cities Workcamp - Gregory Memorial's week at this year's Workcamp is July 16-22. We will commission our Workcampers on the 16th.

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

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)