

Gregory Memorial presbyterian Church



October 1, 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

Dianne Overstreet

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Jason N. Cashing

Sharing of Joys/Concerns

Call to Worship

One: Praise the Lord who is our provider!

All: The Lord is our hope; our trust is in God!

One: God has brought us out of bondage and made us free!

All: The Lord is our hope; our trust is in God!

One: Glorious are the deeds of our God, and mighty are His acts!

All: The Lord is our hope; our trust is in God!

***Opening Hymn #49 – “The God of Abraham Praise”**

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Righteous God, we confess that we have not lived as your obedient children. We have honored you with our words, but we have denied you with our actions. We have not pursued the mind of Christ, who took the form of a servant, for we have acted with selfish ambition. Forgive us our arrogance, awaken our hearts to sincere repentance, and enable us to will and to work for your good pleasure, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. 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 – “We Gather Here in Jesus’ Name”

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: Exodus 2:23-23; 3:1-15; 4:10-17 p44, 45
2nd Reading: John 8:58 p871

Sermon “An Historical Name” Rev. Jason N. Cashing

***Reflective Hymn #451 – “Open My Eyes, That I May See”**

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Affirmation of Faith

We believe in God, whose love is the source of all life and the desire of our lives, whose love was given a human face in Jesus of Nazareth, whose love was crucified by the evil that waits to enslave us all and whose love, defeating even death, is our glorious promise of freedom. Therefore, though we are sometimes fearful and full of doubt, in God we trust; and, in the name of Jesus Christ, we commit ourselves, in the service of others, to seek justice and to live in peace, to care for the earth and to share the commonwealth of God’s goodness, to live in the freedom of forgiveness and the power of the Spirit of love, and in the company of the faithful so to be the Church, for the Glory of God. Amen.

[from the Iona Abbey community]

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION [Insert]

Prayers of the People & Lord’s Prayer

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayers.

***Departing Hymn #69 – “I, the Lord of Sea and Sky”**

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**

ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

Today is World Communion Sunday. Please use the envelope provided in the bulletin for the World Peace & Global Witness Offering.

Next Sunday's guest preacher will be the Rev. Dr. John W. Vest, Associate Professor of Practical Theology at Union Presbyterian Seminary.

"These Days" (Oct. – Dec.) issues are available in the Narthex. Pick up your copy today for some inspirational reading while quantities last!

Do you struggle to pay for your prescriptions? Uninsured? We can help. Call Susie's Fund for Medication Assistance (804) 541-7464

Susie's Fund for Medication Assistance is a new, local program connecting uninsured people who can't pay for their prescription medication with free drug programs and the CrossOver Community Pharmacy. If you qualify, the prescriptions you need will be made available to you at no cost. You must have no prescription insurance, and your household income must be less than a certain amount depending on the number of people in your family. To apply, just give us a call at (804) 541-7464.

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GMPC Information

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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); _____(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

	OCT			
S	World Communion Sunday 9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship 11a Holy Communion 11a Peace Offering	1	9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. John Vest Flowers: Hunters	8
M		2		9
T	12:30p Circle 6p Congregational Care 6p GS Tr5000	3	6p GS Tr553 6p Preschool Bd. Dir. Meeting 7p Missions-Outreach	10
W	7p Choir practice	4	7p Choir practice	11
T	2-8p Church cleaning	5	2-8p Church cleaning	12
F		6		13
S		7		14

SUNDAY SERVANTS



GATEKEEPER Doug Holc

	October 1, 2017	October 8, 2017
USHERS	Sheila Fields Janet Swinton Marguerite Bishop Valerie Harsh	Robert Hartsell Dianne Overstreet Rose Scott Wayne Powers
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Dianne Overstreet	Valerie Harsh
JUNIOR SERMON	Patsy Johnson	Minister
JUNIOR CHURCH	Megan Cashing	Jennifer Smyth
COUNTING	Donald Hunter Mary Kay Schroeter	David Johnson Blake Bishop

Facts & Figures		YTD	Thru 8/31/17	Offrg.	Rec'd.
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$137,530	Inc.	\$92,278.50	9/3	\$3,267.25
Ann. budget exp.	\$145,537	Exp.	\$89,492.70	9/10	\$ 738.00
Mo. budget needs	\$ 12,128	Diff.	\$ 2,785.80	9/17	\$3,362.05
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,799			9/24	\$1,517.00

ATTENDANCE: September 24, 2017

Worship: 34	Sunday School:	13	
	Spiritual Enrichment:	8	Children:
	Fellowship:	5	Youth:

OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS

Those affected by recent hurricanes & the emergency responders
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 & H. F. Scott, Jr.
Kenneth & Sue Andrews, Childress family's friends
Jimmy Clark
Elisha Beverly, Valerie Harsh's daughter (health issue recurrence)
Peggy Allen
Eleanor Jones
Butch Meade, Glenda Mayhew's brother
Teresa Knott, PG County employee (health issue)
Michelle Coleman (health issues & recov.)
Ralph Summerson
Courtney Stewart, friend of the Hunters (Duke Hospital)
Adrienne Wallace, member of Hopewell News staff
Jane & Ralph Arehart, Glenda Mayhew's friends (health issues)
Gene Vasek (health issue)
Gladys Wiseman
Eddie Frankenstein, ret. PGPD Chief (health issues)
Steve "Dee" Shortt, Kim Helmer Shortt's husband (health issue)
Charles Story
Shirley MacNeil (health issues)
Perry Lewis (pneumonia)
Bill Langston, David Johnson's friend (recov., bypass surgery)
Debbie Hudson, Susan Walker's friend (upcoming surgery)
Kathy Sulc, Susan Walker's friend (loss of husband)
Brendan Scott, Rose Scott's grandson (eye issues)
Kenny Overstreet (upcoming surgery)
Brenda Wahl, Keith Spain's mother (health issues)