

Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church

"SCOUTS SUNDAY"



February 11, 2018 – 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

Today's Greeters: Representatives, BS Troop 900

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| Prelude | <i>Sandra Perkins & Gail Rollings</i> |
| Chiming of the Hour | <i>Josh Dendler</i> |
| Presentation of the Colors:
American Flag, Christian Flag, Boy/Cub Scout Flags
<i>[Flag Bearers: Zander Browder, Josh Dendler, Christian Philpot, and Colin Dendler]</i> | <i>Michael Helmer, Marshal</i> |
| Welcome & Announcements | <i>Josh Dendler</i> |
| Passing of the Peace
/Sharing of Joys & Concerns | <i>Bennett Stoke</i> |
| Introduction of Leaders
& Presentation of the Charters
<i>[Scout Leaders, Ralph Orr, Christy Blankenship and Kevin Foster]</i> | <i>Victor Polemeni</i> |

Call to Worship

Thomas Carden

One: Sing praise to God, who gathers us here;

All: From the ends of the earth we come.

One: With a word of promise, God turns our mourning in to dancing.

All: By the presence of His Spirit, God turns our sorrow into joy.

One: Arise, shine, for your light has come!

All: Behold the glory of the Lord! Alleluia!

***Opening Hymn #634 – “To God Be the Glory”**

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Thomas Carden

Merciful God, we confess that without you, we are not whole. Forgive our foolish ways, reform our prideful selves, make us listen to the way of peace, remove from us the disbelief to which we cling. You are the One who liberates with a word and nourishes us without your own body. Give us thankful hearts as we come to the waters of life with trust and hope. Amen.

(A Moment of Silent Confession)

Promise of God’s Forgiveness

Brandon Brockwell

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

Christian Philpot

& Selves to God - Offertory

[Ushers: Bryce Marsee, Nathan Nall, and Nick Riggs]

Congregational Response (Hymn #606)

*Prayer of Dedication

Alex Huffman

WE ENCOUNTER GOD’S WORD

Time for Children – Jr. Sermon *Isaiah Hodges, Chaplain’s Aid*

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 – “Kumbaya”

Scripture

1st Reading: Psalm 27:1-4, p437

2nd Reading: John 9:1-41, p864

*Justin Lopez
Drake Hannuksela*

Sermon “Sight Beyond Sight”

Rev. Jason N. Cashing

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

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

***We Affirm Our Faith**

Gavin McGee

The Lord God is our Great Scoutmaster who provides all our needs. He lets us camp in forests tall and meadows green. He leads us on trails besides waters deep and still, brooks babbling, streams rushing, and rivers raging. He restores our bodies, minds and souls, even as we observe the eagle soaring to greater heights above. He encourages the Eagle Scout in his upward climb. He teaches Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts, and Venturers to live the Scout Oath and Law. Even though the trails may lead through dark valleys with towering mountains, we are courageous because he leads us onward. He continually blesses us with food for mind and body. Even when our enemies dislike or distrust us, he blesses us with the gifts of love and forgiveness. Surely, his goodness and mercy will sustain us all the days of our lives. And, when we climb the final trail through the awesome pass that leads to the Great Councilfire, we shall join those who traveled the trail before us and joyfully live with him forever! Amen.

[from The Boy Scouts of America]

Prayers of the People & Lord’s Prayer

Reece Weber

[Lead prayer: Reece Weber]

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayers.

***Departing Hymn #450 – “Be Thou My Vision”**

***Blessing**

Bryce Marsee, Jr., Assistant Scout Master

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**

Rev. Jason N. Cashing

***Choral Benediction & Postlude**

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Today we celebrate “Scouts Sunday” with worship services led by representatives of Gregory’s Boy Scout Troop 900 and Scouting affiliates.

Our Sanctuary flowers are given by Sandy and Donald Hunter to the glory of God and in memory of Pearle Livesay (aka “Mama Pearle”) on her birthday today.

The congregation is invited to an Appreciation Reception hosted by Cub Scout Pack 910 in the Fellowship Hall immediately after this morning’s worship service.

“Driving Miss Daisy” matinee at the Ft. Lee Playhouse – Performance starts at 3 p.m. today. Those wishing to carpool will meet at Gregory parking lot at 2 p.m. and leave promptly at 2:15 p.m. All attendees’ names have been turned in which will enable easy entry into the Post. There will be 23 of us, which includes some friends of friends and friends from Tinsley Charter. Tickets will be distributed as soon as I receive them. Thank you for your support of this activity. *Contact: Judy Recher*

A Workcamp meeting will be held today at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

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

Mary Holc (2017); Susan Shockley (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)

2/11 THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

S	8:00a Boy Scouts' Appreciation Pancake B'fast, Fellowship Hall 9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship 12:15p Cub Scouts' Appreciation Reception, Fellowship Hall 3p "Driving Miss Daisy starts; carpoolers to meet in GMPC parking lot at 2p & depart 2:15p 6p TriCities WorkCamp plan meeting, Fellowship Hall	11	9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship <i>Guest Preacher (TBA)</i>	18
M		12		19
T	6p GS Tr. 553	13	6p GS Tr. 5000	20
W	ASH WEDNESDAY 11:30a Preschool Valentine Program 7p Choir practice 7p Ash Wednesday service	14	7p Choir practice	21
T	2p News articles due 2p Church cleaning 7p Stewardship & Finance	15	12p Lenten service & lunch (Host: Gary's UMC) 2p Newsletter out 2p Church cleaning	22
F		16		23
S		17		24

SUNDAY SERVANTS



GATEKEEPER: Gregg Webber

	February 11, 2018	February 18, 2018
USHERS	Scouts	Sheila Fields Janet Swinton Marguerite Bishop Valerie Harsh
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Scouts	Dianne Overstreet
JUNIOR SERMON	Scouts	Patsy Johnson
JUNIOR CHURCH	Scouts	Marguerite Bishop
COUNTING	Morgan Ingram Blake Bishop	Donald Hunter Megan Cashing

Facts & Figures		YTD	Thru 12/31/17	Offrg	Rec'd.
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$137,530	Inc.	\$132,601.20	2/4	\$2,210.00
Ann. Budget exp.	\$145,537	Exp.	\$134,790.62	2/11	\$
Mo. Budget needs	\$ 12,128	Diff.	(\$ 2,189.42)	2/18	\$
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,799			2/25	\$

ATTENDANCE: February 4, 2018

Worship: 35	Sunday School: 12	
	Spiritual Enrichment: 9	Children:
	Fellowship: 3	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 & 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, former PGPD Chief (health issues)
Steve "Dee" Shortt, Kim Helmer Shortt's husband (health issue)
Perry Lewis (health issue)
Verne & Clara Smith
Kenny Overstreet (health issue)
Brenda Wahl, Keith Spain's mother (health issues)
Leigh Primmer, PG County Finance Dept. (health issue)
Scott Guelcher, friend of Larry Johnson (health issues)
Carole Kreiger, friend of Dianne Overstreet (health issues)
Carol Knight, friend of Rose Scott (health issues)
Karen Titmus & family, friends of the Wiseman/Scott families
(health concerns)
Reid Foster, recovering from ankle surgery
Donna Fields-Duvall, Sheila Fields' daughter (recovering from surgery)
The Rev. Pat Elder (recovering from heart surgery)
Discernment for Travis Walker
Family/friends of Edward Hornbuckle, Megan Cashing's grandpa (d. 01/28)