# Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



### February 18, 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

**Prelude** Sandra Perkins & Gail Rollings

**Chiming of the Hour** 

Welcome & Announcements Dianne Overstreet

**Passing of the Peace**Rev. Charles Summers
Guest Preacher

**Sharing of Joys/Concerns** 

Call to Worship

One: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

All: Worship the Lord in gladness, come into God's presence with singing.

One: For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever. All: His faithfulness is to all generations. Let us worship God!

\*Opening Hymn #1 – "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

# Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. 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 – Jr. Sermon** Rev. Charles Summers Children ages 3 – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade are invited to Junior Church after the Anthem; 'Worship Boards' are on the front pew for older youth.

Choral Anthem - "Love Led My Savior"

 Scripture
 1st Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-10
 p215

 2nd Reading: Mark 1:12-14
 p812

**Sermon** "The Gospel of God" Rev. Charles Summers

\*Reflective Hymn #187 – "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

# WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

## \*We Affirm Our Faith

Then Jesus began to speak, and taught them, saying, "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account."

-*Matthew 5:2-12* 

# Prayers of the People & Lord's

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

\*Departing Hymn #783 – "Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

\*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

We welcome Rev. Charles Summers to Gregory's pulpit this morning. 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.

# 2018 Lenten Service & Lunch Schedule:

All are welcome! Prayer begins at 12 noon; a simple lunch follows at 12:30 p.m.

Feb. 22: Gary's United Methodist ChurchMar. 1: Sycamore United Methodist ChurchMar. 8: Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church

March 15: Oakland Baptist Church

March 22: Bethlehem Congregational Church

The Facilities Committee has scheduled a **Church Work Day** on <u>Saturday, March 10</u>. The day will start at 8:00 a.m. with breakfast in the Fellowship Hall for the volunteers.

(Rain date: Saturday, March 31)

### **GMPC** Information

 $www.gregorymemorial.orgwww.facebook.com/gmpcva\\804.732.1081 \qquad Office Hours: Tuesday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.$ 

Pastor: Rev. Jason Cashing (Jason@gregorymemorial.org)
Secretary: Nancy Adams (office@gregorymemorial.org)
Organist: Sandra Perkins
Treasurer: Kevin Foster
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Financial Sec.: Sandy Hunter

### Session Members

Blake Bishop (2018); Valerie Harsh (2018); Dianne Overstreet (2018) Sandy Hunter (2019), Patsy Johnson (2019); (2019) Charles Smyth (2019) Pat Hunter (2020); Susan Shockley (2020); \_\_\_\_\_\_(2020) Donald Hunter (Clerk of Session)

#### Trusteees

Mary Kay Schroeter (2018); Morgan Ingram (2019); Donald Hunter (2020)

#### 2/18 THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

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	9:45a Sunday School	18	9:45a Sunday School	25			
	11a Worship		11a Worship				
S			11a 5 Cents A Meal				
	Guest Preacher:		Offering				
	Rev. Charles Summers						
M		19		26			
T	<b>6p</b> GS Tr. 5000	20		27			
W	<b>7p</b> Choir practice	21	<b>7p</b> Choir practice	28			
T	12p Lenten service & lunch	22	MAR.	1			
	(Host: Gary's UMC)		<b>2p</b> Session Minutes due at POJ				
	<b>2p</b> Newsletter out		reader				
	<b>2p</b> Church cleaning		12p Lenten service & lunch				
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			<b>2p</b> Church cleaning				
			<b>7p</b> Christian Ed				
F		23		2			
S		24		3			

### SUNDAY SERVANTS

GATEKEEPER: Gregg Webber

	February 18, 2018	February 25, 2018
	Sheila Fields	Robert Hartsell
USHERS	Janet Swinton Shill	Dianne Overstreet
USHEKS	Marguerite Bishop	Rose Scott
	Valerie Harsh	Wayne Powers
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Dianne Overstreet	Valerie Harsh
JUNIOR SERMON	Minister	Pat Hunter
JUNIOR CHURCH	Marguerite Bishop	Lisa Brown
COUNTING	Donald Hunter	David Johnson
COUNTING	Megan Cashing	Rose Scott

Facts & Figures		YTD	Thru 1/31/18	Offrg	Rec'd.
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$137,530	Inc.	\$8,026.82	2/4	\$2,210.00
Ann. Budget exp.	\$145,537	Exp.	\$11,275.98	2/11	\$3,780.00
Mo. Budget needs	\$ 12,128	Diff.	(\$3,249.16)	2/18	\$
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,799			2/25	\$

#### ATTENDANCE: February 11, 2018

Worship: 154	Sunday School:	17	
	Spiritual Enrichment:	13	Children:
	Fellowship:	4	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)

Rev. Pat Elder (recovering from heart surgery)

Discernment for Travis Walker