

Gregory Memorial presbyterian Church



April 29, 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

Larry Johnson

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Nicole Ball
Guest Preacher

Sharing of Joys/Concerns

Call to Worship

One: Sing joyful songs to God, our Savior.

All: Remember the Lord, who set us free!

One: Blow the trumpet; sound the tambourine!

All: Remember the Lord, the God of Life!

One: Jesus says, "Follow me."

All: We arise and follow. Praise the Lord!

***Opening Hymn #366 – "Love Divine, All Love's Excelling"**

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Merciful God, you know when we are afraid to love; you know when we are too cowardly to show mercy. Remind us again that perfect love casts out fears. Surround us and strengthen us with your perfect love, even in the face of our imperfections. Fill us with a love so strong that we may cast aside our pride and embrace the power of love. In Christ's name we pray. 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

Susan Shockley

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 – "Because He Lives"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parents of Little Ones: We want worship to be a nurturing experience for your whole family. As such, Nursery services are available for your benefit and the enjoyment of your child. Let one of our greeters know and they'll help you get set up!

We welcome Rev. Nicole Ball to the Gregory pulpit as today's Guest Preacher.

Firefighters' Appreciation Sunday & Luncheon: Remember to join us for worship on **Sunday, May 6**, as we celebrate the service of some of our local firefighters and show appreciation by feeding them a good meal following service!

REMINDER:

All scholarship applications for the Fall 2018 semester must be received at the church by May 31, 2018.

Session meeting is May 15 at 7 p.m. Please send all reports to Nancy Adams by Tuesday, May 1 at this email address: office@gregorymemorial.org

Christian Ed Committee has no meeting in May.

Minister's DMin Retreat: While the scope of his project is changing, Jason continues to work on his DMin project and appreciates continued prayers.

Bull Hill Road Trash Pick-up (sponsored by Missions Committee) will be on Saturday, May 12. Volunteers will meet in church parking lot at 8:30 a.m. and proceed to pick-up site. Boy Scouts will assist with the trash pick-up. [Contact: Sandy Hunter]

Pocket Directory Update: It's time to update the Pocket Directory! Please make necessary changes to your contact info on the draft that's on the Narthex table. The draft will be available only for 3 weeks, then reviewed by committee. The plan is to make copies available by June.

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

4/29 THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

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|---|--|----|--|----|
| S | 9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship 11a Local Emergency Aid Offering Guest preacher: Rev. Nicole Ball | 29 | FIREFIGHTERS' APPRECIATION SUNDAY" 9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship 12:30p Firefighters' Appreciation Lunch, Fellowship Hall | 6 |
| M | 2p Committee reports due | 30 | | 7 |
| T | MAY 1p Circle, Fellowship Hall 6p Congregational Care Com. 6p GS Tr. 5000 7p Facilities Com | 1 | 6p GS Tr. 553 | 8 |
| W | 7p Choir practice | 2 | 7p Choir practice | 9 |
| T | 2p Church cleaning | 3 | 2p Church cleaning | 10 |
| F | | 4 | | 11 |
| S | | 5 | 8:30a Bull Hill Rd. Trash Pick-up; volunteers meet in GMPC parking lot first | 12 |

SUNDAY SERVANTS

🗝️ GATEKEEPER: Bobby Allen (Apr.)
Gregg Webber (May)

| | April 29, 2018 | May 6, 2018 |
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| USHERS | Bobby Allen Donna Allen Velma Allen Larry Johnson | Wayne Powers Brenda Bond Glenda Mayhew Les Mayhew |
| ANNOUNCEMENTS | Larry Johnson | Rose Scott |
| JUNIOR SERMON | Susan Shockley | Valerie Harsh |
| JUNIOR CHURCH | Rose Scott | Marguerite Bishop |
| COUNTING | Sandy Hunter Megan Cashing | Morgan Ingram Rose Scott |

| Facts & Figures | | YTD | Thru 2/28//18 | Offrg | Rec'd. |
|---------------------|-----------|-------|---------------|-------|------------|
| Pledged/proj. incr. | \$137,530 | Inc. | \$19,645.37 | 4/1 | \$5,068.01 |
| Ann. Budget exp. | \$145,537 | Exp. | \$22,517.64 | 4/8 | \$1,241.55 |
| Mo. Budget needs | \$ 12,128 | Diff. | (\$ 2,872.27) | 4/15 | \$1,485.00 |
| Wk. budget needs | \$ 2,799 | | | 4/22 | \$2,099.00 |
| | | | | 4/29 | \$ |

ATTENDANCE: April 22, 2018

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| Worship: 69 | Sunday School: 12 | |
| | Spiritual Enrichment: 11 | Children: |
| | Fellowship: 1 | 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, & her brother, Martin (health issues)
Becky Smith
Russell Heiser, Ingrid Phoenix's grandson (health issues)
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
Michelle Coleman (health issues & recovery)
Courtney Stewart, friend of the Hunters (Duke Hospital)
Jane Arehart, Glenda Mayhew's friend (health issues)
Gene Vasek (health issue)
Gladys Wiseman
Steve "Dee" Shortt, Kim Helmer Shortt's husband (health issue)
Verne & Clara Smith
Brenda Wahl, Keith Spain's mother (health issues)
Leigh Primmer, PG County Finance Dept. (health issue)
Scott Guelcher, friend of Larry Johnson (health issues)
Carol Knight, friend of Rose Scott (health issues)
Karen Titmus & family, friends of the Wiseman/Scott families
(health concerns)
Donna Fields-Duvall, Sheila Fields' daughter (recovering from surgery)
Rev. Pat Elder
Charlie Perkins
Sharon Noblin, Susan Shockley's neighbor (caregiver concerns)
Elizabeth & H. F. Scott, Jr. (H. F. is recovering from surgery)
Grace Cibula
Travis Walker & family (preparing for transition to Ft. Drum, NY)
Family/friends of Helen Cibula (d. 4/9)
Family/friends of Paul Cerny, Jr. (d.4/13)
Family friends of Nace Metzner (mother is Susan Shockley's neighbor)
The Bennett family (fire destroyed their home)
Friends/family of Michael Bogese, Jr. (d.4/25)
Friends/family of Karen Lewis Havard, wife of William "Bill"
Havard (d/ 22)