

Gregory Memorial presbyterian Church



“DAY OF PENTECOST”

May 20, 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

Valerie Harsh

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Jason N. Cashing

Sharing of Joys/Concerns

Call to Worship

One: Sing to God a new song.

All: God has done marvelous things!

One: Make a joyful noise to the Lord!

All: Break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

One: Let the sea roar and all that fills it.

All: Let the world and its people sing together for joy!

***Opening Hymn #620 – “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”**

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Holy and Merciful God, we do not know how to pray as we ought, and we know too well our constant failures to do as you commanded and to hold fast to your word. Forgive us for the divisions we nurture, guide us to your way, keep us in your care, and lead us into faith. We trust your word that the Spirit of truth will show us all things and grant us courage and peace. 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

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 – “There’s A Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

Prayer for Illumination

Almighty God, send your Spirit to open our hearts and minds as we listen to your word, hearing again of your holy mysteries and invitations to life, for the glory of your Kingdom. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Scripture 1st Reading: John 14:16-17 p877
 2nd Reading: Acts 2:1-21 p885

Sermon “New Beginnings” Rev. Jason N. Cashing

***Reflective Hymn #317 – “In Christ There Is No East or West”**

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Affirmation of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church in culture, to hear the voices of people long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!” Amen.

Prayers of the People & Lord’s Prayer

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayers.

***Departing Hymn #289 – “On Pentecost They Gathered”**

***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

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!

Please use the enclosed envelope for the Pentecostal Offering.

The **Gregory Session** will meet after worship today in the Session Meeting Room beginning at 1:00 p.m. (rescheduled from May 15 Stated Meeting date).

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

Don't forget these dates in June:

June 17: "Fathers' Day"

June 24: "Sunday in the Park" at Scott Park.

June 26: "Puppet Show by Hiz Handz of Suffolk", followed by "make your own Sundae." Free-will offerings accepted.

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

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

Trustees

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

5/20 THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

S	“DAY OF PENTECOST” 9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship 11a Pentecost Offering 1p Session meeting	20	“TRINITY SUNDAY” 9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship 11a 5-Cents A Meal Offering	27
M	1-9p BS Crater District Mtg (6p dinner) Fellowship Hall	21		28
T		22	6p GS Tr5000	29
W	7p Choir practice	23	7p Choir practice	30
T	Last Day 2017-18 Preschool Year 2p Church cleaning 6:30p Preschool Graduation, Sanctuary.	24	Last day to submit applications for Christine Belsches Mem. Scholarship for Fall 2018 semester 2p Church cleaning 2p Committee reports due	31
F		25	JUNE	1
S		26		2

SUNDAY SERVANTS

🗝️ GATEKEEPER: Gregg Webber

	May 20, 2018 “Day of Pentecost”	May 27, 2018 “Trinity Sunday”
USHERS	John Carl Allen Dianne Overstreet Rose Scott Wayne Powers	Charles Smyth Jared Smyth Morgan Ingram Josh Ingram
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Valerie Harsh	Mary Kay Schroeter
JUNIOR SERMON	Patsy Johnson	Pat Hunter*
JUNIOR CHURCH	Lisa Brown	Tara Foster
COUNTING	David Johnson Ron Recher	Sandy Hunter Susan Shockley

*Also 5 Cents A Meal Offering

FACTS & FIGURES

	YTD	Thru 3/31//18	Offrg	Rec'd.	
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$137,530	Inc.	\$29,933.13	5/6	\$2,942.55
Ann. Budget exp.	\$145,537	Exp.	(\$37,339.05)	5/13	\$2,226.00
Mo. Budget needs	\$ 12,128	Diff.	(\$ 7,405.92)	5/20	\$
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,799			5/27/	\$

ATTENDANCE: May13, 2018

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Worship: 57	Sunday School: 9*	
	(*Spiritual Enrichment: Fellowship Merged class)	Children:
		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 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)
Eleanor Jones
Butch Meade, Glenda Mayhew's brother
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
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)
Charlie Perkins
Sharon Noblin, Susan Shockley's neighbor (caregiver concerns)
Elizabeth & H. F. Scott, Jr.
Grace Cibula
Travis Walker & family (preparing for transition to Ft. Drum, NY)
Peggy Allen (home, physical therapy)
Family/friends of Russell Lamme, Janet Lamme's son (d. 5/12)