

Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



July 1, 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

Mary Kay Schroeter

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Jason N. Cashing

Sharing of Joys/Concerns

Call to Worship

One: Sing praises to God,

All: Give thanks for God's name!

One: For God clothes us with strength and joy,

All: And God turns our mourning into dancing.

One: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;

All: God's mercies are everlasting.

One: Sing praises to God,

All: For great is God's faithfulness.

***Opening Hymn #331 – “God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand”**

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Holy God, we confess that we have sinned against you and have strayed from living wholeheartedly. Envy and fear have dulled our generosity, and we have grown mean and destructive. Forgive us our sins and return us to health, through the grace and mercy of Christ. 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

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: Genesis 45:4-15 p37
 2nd Reading: John 17:20-26 p880

Sermon "Of One Accord" Rev. Jason N. Cashing

***Reflective Hymn #340 – "This Is My Song"**

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Affirmation of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. In gratitude to God empowered by the Holy 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!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

[excerpted from PC(USA) Brief Statement of Faith]

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayers.

***Departing Hymn #305 – "Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!"**

***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!

Our Sanctuary flowers are given to the glory of God by the Hunters in memory of Wilma Hunter, and in honor of those serving our country in the military.

Game Night!! Mark your calendar for Friday, July 20 for Game Night. We will serve a hot dog dinner and have lots of fun games for all ages!! Come out and join the fun!!

Sign-up for "Faith Night" with the Richmond Squirrels, August 9!!! A sign-up sheet has been placed in the Narthex for our upcoming Squirrels baseball event. There will be pre-game, faith-based music and player testimonials. In addition, there will be "In Your Face Fireworks" after the game. Opening pitch will be at 6:35 p.m.!!! Don't miss this!! We have field-level seats reserved and the cost is only \$11 per ticket. If writing a check, please make checks payable to Patsy Johnson. All reservations and money is needed by July 20, 2018.

No Choir practice Jul. 1-Aug. 14 (summer hiatus); resumes Aug. 15.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- July 20: "Game Night"; Hot dogs and games; details TBA
July 22-28: GMPC's week at Tri-Cities Workcamp. We will commission our Workcampers during Sunday morning worship on June 22.
Aug. 5: "Sunday in the Park 2.0"; Worship service with Holy Communion, 11 a.m., Scott Park, followed by Pot Luck Lunch.
Aug. 7: "National Night Out"; Rolling Meadows Community, GMPC parking lot; hot dogs, refreshments, 5-7 p.m.
Aug. 9: "Faith Night" at The Diamond; Flying Squirrels Game; Limited tickets available; early sign-up on sheet in the Narthex is encouraged; details TBA.

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

7/1 THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

		JULY	
S	9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship <i>Flowers: Hunters</i>	1	8
M		2	9
T	6p Congregational Care Com. 7p Facilities Com.	3	10
W	“INDEPENDENCE DAY”	4	11
T	7p Church cleaning	5	12
F		6	13
S		7	14

SUNDAY SERVANTS

🗝️ GATEKEEPER: Bobby Allen

	July 1, 2018	July 8, 2018
USHERS	Charles Smyth Austin Smyth Morgan Ingram Josh Ingram	Bobby Allen Donna Allen Velma Allen Larry Johnson
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Mary Kay Schroeter	Larry Johnson
JUNIOR SERMON	Patsy Johnson	Minister
JUNIOR CHURCH	Jennifer Smyth	Susan Shockley
COUNTING	Morgan Ingram Ron Recher	Donald Hunter Susan Shockley

FACTS & FIGURES – Updates to be provided later

		YTD	Thru 4/30/18	Offrg	Rec'd.
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$137,530	Inc.	\$41,516.96	6/3	\$2,131.55
Ann. Budget exp.	\$145,537	Exp.	(\$48,302.09)	6/10	\$2,218.01
Mo. Budget needs	\$ 12,128	Diff.	(\$ 6,785.13)	6/17	\$1,549.00
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,799			6/24	\$2,212.00

ATTENDANCE: June 24, 2018 – Updates to be provided later

Worship: 53	Sunday School:	Children:	Youth:
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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.
Travis Walker & family (preparing for transition to Ft. Drum, NY)
Peggy Allen (home, physical therapy)
Dink Armstrong's sister, "Shorty" (serious illness)
Eddie Frankenstein
Donna Fields-Duvall, Sheila Fields's daughter
Ann Hartsell (broken pelvis)
Nancy Adams (upcoming procedure)
Blake Bryant, family friend of Mary Kay Schroeter, (health issues)
Johnny Maxie, father-in-law of Dianne Overstreet's son (health issues)
Erle Potter, good family friend of Haskys (cancer diagnosis & treatment)
Friends/family of Callyn Pollack, Janet Shill's great-nephew
Friends /family of Rev. Cheryl Sumner (d. 6/14)
Grace Cibula (JRMC)