

Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



September 23, 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

Rose Scott

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Charles Summers
Guest Preacher

Sharing of Joys/Concerns

Call to Worship

One: Gracious is the Lord, and righteous;

All: Our God is full of compassion.

One: Let us walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living;

All: Let us proclaim God's Kingdom to our neighbors.

One: Let us bless the Lord!

All: The Lord's name be praised!

***Opening Hymn #299 – “You Servants of God,
Your Master Proclaim”**

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God of wisdom, forgive our foolishness. We desire what we do not need and corrupt our relationships with envy. You urge us to gentleness, but we stir up conflict. Give us your grace, that we may harvest righteousness and peace, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Teacher, 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

Valerie Harsh

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 – “Knowing You”

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: Psalm 22:1-11 p434
 2nd Reading: Psalm 23:1-6 p435

Sermon "Living Between the Psalms"
 Rev. Charles Summers

***Reflective Hymn** #729 – "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Affirmation of Faith

We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen. *[from The Iona Community]*

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayers.

***Departing Hymn** #803 – "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"

***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 guest preacher today is the Rev. Charles Summers, Honorably Retired Member-At-Large, Presbytery of the James.

Next Sunday's guest preacher is Ms. Colleen Earp, Director of Youth, Environmental and Service Ministries at Camp Hanover.

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)

9/23 THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

S	9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship 11a 5 Cents A Meal Offering Guest preacher: Rev. Charles Summers	23	9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship 11a Local Emerg. Aid Offering Guest preacher: Ms. Colleen Earp 2p Committee reports due <i>Flowers: J. Cashing</i>	30
M		24	OCT. 10a Worship Com.	1
T		25	12:30p Circle 6p Congregational Care Com. 6p GS Tr5000 7p Christian Ed Com. 7p Facilities Com.	2
W	6p BS Troop Honor Ct. & dinner (set-up begins 1p) 7p Choir practice	26	7p Choir practice	3
T	2p Church cleaning 2p Newsletter out	27	2p Church cleaning	4
F		28		5
S		29		6

SUNDAY SERVANTS

🗝️ GATEKEEPER: Doug Holc

	September 23, 2018	September 30, 2018
USHERS	Wayne Powers Brenda Bond Glenda Mayhew Les Mayhew	Sheila Fields Janet Shill Marguerite Bishop Valerie Harsh
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Rose Scott	Dianne Overstreet
JUNIOR SERMON	Valerie Harsh*	Patsy Johnson
JUNIOR CHURCH	Jennifer Smyth	Susan Shockley
COUNTING	Morgan Ingram Ron Recher	Donald Hunter Susan Shockley

*5 Cents A Meal Offering

FACTS & FIGURES

		YTD	Thru 6/30/18	Offrg	Rec'd.
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$137,530	Inc.	\$59,160.80	9/2	\$2,552.00
Ann. Budget exp.	\$145,537	Exp.	(\$71,899.28)	9/9	\$3,547.55
Mo. Budget needs	\$ 12,128	Diff.	(\$12,738.48)	9/16	\$1,801.00
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,799			9/23	\$
				9/30	\$

ATTENDANCE

	Worship	Sun. School	Children	Youth
September 16, 2018	41	12		

OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS

Maxine Newton (mother-in-law of Wayne Powers' daughter)
Amy Townson, Josh Ingram's sister
Doris Karnowski, Josh Ingram's grandmother
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)
Jeff Mundy (heart procedure)
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
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)
Sharon Entwistle (friend of Barb Taliaferro)
Elizabeth Scott
Harry Steele (friend of Dianne Overstreet)
Peggy Allen (home, physical therapy)
Dink Armstrong's sister, "Shorty" (serious illness)
Eddie Frankenstein
Erle Potter, good family friend of Haskys (cancer diagnosis & treatment)
Grace Cibula
Biff Riggan
George Poulson
Richard Harsh
Nancy Willis, grandmother of Corey Whelan, who's also Pat Hunter's
grandson (terminal cancer diagnosis)
Carol Bowman (Sharon Entwistle's mother, brain blockages)
Sandra Perkins (recovering from eye procedure)
Debbie Hudson, Susan Shockley's friend (health concerns)
Joy for birth of Wayne Powers' great-granddaughter
Family/friends of Donald ("Big Boy") Robinson, ret. PG Sheriff Dept. (d. 9/4)
Family/friends of Travis Whitley, Janet Lammey's nephew (d. 9/5)
Family/friends of Evan Whitley, Janet Lammey's son (d. 9/16)
Family/friends of Beverly L. Childress (d. 9/20)