# Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



October 21, 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. Jason N. Cashing

Sharing of Joys/Concerns

# Call to Worship

One: The Lord is our dwelling place, All: A home of peace and plenty.
One: The Lord is our dwelling place, All: A refuge when trouble is near.
One: The Lord is our dwelling place, All: A temple that will stand forever.

\*Opening Hymn #620 – "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

# **Prayer of Confession (in unison)**

Lord Jesus Christ, you know our sin. We want you to do whatever we ask of you, but we are unwilling to do what you ask of us. We want to sit beside you in your glory, but we fail to stand beside you in your suffering. We want to be first in your great kingdom, but we are among the last to serve the least. Forgive us. Pour out your mercy upon us and wash us clean in your saving grace. All this we ask in 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** Megan Cashing Children ages  $3 - 1^{st}$  Grade are invited to Junior Church after the Anthem; 'Worship Boards' are on the front pew for older youth.

Choral Anthem – "Peace Be Unto This Congregation"

## **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.

1st Reading: 2 Samuel 11:1-5, 26-27; 12:1-9 **Scripture** p248 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Matthew 21:33-41 p803

"Sin and Repent" Rev. Jason N. Cashing Sermon

\*Reflective Hymn #438 – "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

#### **Affirmation of Faith**

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence for such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of his own glory. Amen. (from The Scots Confession)

# Prayers of the People & The 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!

**Congregational Meeting** – There will be a Congregational Meeting following worship today to discuss our current financial state and where we are headed.

Church Work Day – Work Day has been rescheduled to Saturday, Oct. 27, and will begin at 8:00 a.m. with the volunteers' breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. A "fix-it" list is on the bulletin board downstairs (Fellowship Hall) for you to write in any items you want repaired on Work Day.

**Donate Items for James House** – This month the Gregory congregation is collecting cleaning items (paper towels, cleaning supplies, soaps, etc.) as well as personal items for women served by James House. Missions Committee will place collections baskets in the Narthex and in the Fellowship Hall's dining area to receive items donated.

#### **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
Treasurer: Kevin Foster

Accompanist: Gail Rollings
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)

#### 10/21 THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

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		21	"Reformation Sunday"	28				
	9:45a Sunday School		9:45a Sunday School					
S	11a Worship		11a Worship					
	<b>12p</b> Congregational Meeting							
			11a 5 Cents A Meal Offering					
M		22		29				
Т		23	<b>6p</b> GS Tr5000	30				
W	<b>7p</b> Choir practice	24	Hallowe'en	31				
	-		<b>2p</b> Committee reports due in					
			office					
			<b>7p</b> Choir practice					
T	<b>2p</b> Church cleaning	25	NOV.	1				
	<b>2p</b> Newsletter out		<b>2p</b> Church cleaning					
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F		26		2				
S		27		3				
	8:30a Work Day at GMPC							
	(begins with volunteers'							
	breakfast at 8a, Fellowship Hall)							

#### SUNDAY SERVANTS

○ GATEKEEPER: Gregg Webber

	October 21, 2018	October 28, 2018	
	Bobby Allen	Wayne Powers	
USHERS	Donna Allen	Brenda Bond	
USHERS	Velma Allen	Glenda Mayhew	
	Larry Johnson	Les Mayhew	
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Larry Johnson	Rose Scott	
JUNIOR SERMON	Megan Cashing	Susan Shockley*	
JUNIOR CHURCH	Marguerite Bishop	Mary Holc	
COUNTING	Morgan Ingram	Donald Hunter	
COUNTING	Rose Scott	Glenda Mayhew	

<sup>\*5</sup> Cents A Meal Offering

# FACTS & FIGURES

	YTD	Thru 6/30/18	Offrg	Rec'd.	
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$137,530	Inc.	\$59,160.80	10/7	\$2,951.55
Ann. Budget exp.	\$145,537	Exp.	(\$71,899.28)	10/14	\$2,904.00
Mo. Budget needs	\$ 12,128	Diff.	(\$12,738.48)	10/21	\$
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,799			10/28	\$

# ATTENDANCE

	Worship	Sun. School	Children	Youth
October 14, 2018	43	13		

#### **OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS**

Communities recovering from recent hurricanes & tornados

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

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 Entwhistle (friend of Barb Taliaferro)

Elizabeth Scott

Peggy Allen (home, physical therapy)

Dink Armstrong's sister, "Shorty" (health issue)

Eddie Frankenstein

Erle Potter, good family friend of Haskys (in treatment for health issue)

Grace Cibula

Biff Riggan

George Poulson

Richard Harsh

Nancy Willis, grandmother of Corey Whelan, who is also Pat Hunter's grandson (terminal diagnosis)

Carol Bowman, Sharon Entwhistle's mother (health issue)

Debbie Hudson, Susan Shockley's friend (health concerns)

Michelle Daschner, PG Fire & EMS office intern (health issue)

Pam Henry, Mary Holc's family member (health issue)

Dennis Allen (recovering from hip replacement surgery)

Joy for birth of Jason & Megan Cashing's daughter, "Carrie" (b. 9/24)

Family/friends of Elisha L. Beverly (d. 10/12)

Family/friends of J. Aubrey Williams (d. 10/15)

Family/friends of Jimmy Clark (d. 10/17)