

# **Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church**



**May 26, 2019 – 11:00 a.m.**

**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

*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**

**Choral Prelude**

Sandra Perkins & Gail Rollings

**Chiming of the Hour**

**Welcome & Announcements**

Rose Scott

**Passing of the Peace**

Rev. Dr. Jason N. Cashing

**Sharing of Joys/Concerns**

## **Call to Worship**

One: Alleluia, Christ is risen!

**All: The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia!**

One: Let the people praise you, O God.

**All: Let all the peoples praise you.**

One: Friends, lift up your hearts and be joyful!

**All: We lift our voices in glad and triumphant song!**

**\*Opening Hymn #307 – "God of Grace and God of Glory"**

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

Loving God, we confess that we are an anxious people who deny your blessing and fail to keep your word. Forgive us, we pray, for these and all our sins, that we might live in peace and reflect your love in the world; through Jesus Christ 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**

## **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.

## Scriptural Readings

1<sup>st</sup> Reading

Romans 5:1-11

p917

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

Matthew 11:28-30

p792

**Sermon**

“Through Christ”

Dr. Jason N. Cashing

**Reflective Hymn #297** – "In Christ Called to Baptize"

## WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

### Affirmation of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. 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. Amen.

*[from A Brief Statement of Faith]*

### Prayers of the People & Lord’s Prayer

One: Lord, in your mercy,

**All: Hear our prayers.**

**\*Departing Hymn #697** – "Take My Life"

### \*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!

**Yard & Bake Sale – June 1.** Missions, Outreach and Christian Ed Committees are sponsoring a Yard and Bake Sale, Saturday, June 1 here at the church from 8 a.m. to noon. We are depending on the congregation in several ways. First, we need  sellers/vendors. We have flyers in the Narthex for you to share with family and friends or to post at work or other public places. Secondly, we need bakers!! Please think of something you can make that can be sold at our Bake Sale-- baked goods, jams, jellies, pickles, rolls, etc. Bring items to the church Friday evening, May 31, from 4 p.m. - 6.p.m. or Saturday morning, June 1, from 7:30 a.m.- 8 a.m. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex for your bake sale items. Profits from this sale will be used to support programs here at the church.

**Another great opportunity at the Church Yard/Bake Sale!!** If you have that special item in your home that still looks great but you just don't have use for it anymore? Then consider donating it to the Yard Sale. Times that you can bring these items are as follows: (1) during church office hours, (2) Friday, May 31 from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. (3) Saturday, June 1 from 7 a.m. -8 a.m. All proceeds from the sale of these items will go to the church. Thanks to Ingrid and Baerbel for hosting this special booth. Space is limited so we are asking that you **be selective** in what you bring to sell.

**Flying Squirrels Game Tickets** - We have 20 tickets reserved for the Squirrels Game, Saturday, June 29. Game begins at 6:05 p.m. and Fireworks will follow the game. We will meet in the church parking lot at 4:45 p.m. for any that would like to carpool. We have great field level seats, just above the Squirrels Dugout. The tickets are \$11 per ticket. All monies should be given to Patsy Johnson on or before June 21. If paying by check, please make checks payable to Patsy Johnson. To reserve a ticket, please sign up on the "Sign-Up Sheet" located in the Narthex.

### GMPC Information

[www.gregorymemorial.org](http://www.gregorymemorial.org) [www.facebook.com/gmpcva](http://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

Pianist: Gail Rollings

Treasurer: Kevin Foster

Financial Sec.: Sandy Hunter

## 5/26 THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

S	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b> 9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship - 5 Cents a Meal Offering	26	<b>7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b> 9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship 11a Holy Communion 6p Tri-Cities Workcamp plan meeting	2
M	MEMORIAL DAY	27	1p Worship Com.	3
T		28	1p Circle 6p Congregational Care Com. 6p GS Tr5000 7p Facilities Com.	4
W	7p Choir practice	29	7p Choir practice	5
T	2p Church cleaning	30	2p Church cleaning	6
F	All day; set-up for 6/1 event 4-6pm Yard sale item drop-off	31		7
S	<b>JUNE</b> 7:30-8a Yard sale item drop-off 8a-12 noon Yard Sale & Baked Goods Sale, church parking lot	1		8

### SUNDAY SERVANTS

🗝️ GATEKEEPER: Doug Holc (May)  
Gregg Webber (June)

	<b>MAY 26</b> 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	<b>JUN. 2</b> 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter
USHERS	Wayne Powers Brenda Bond Glenda Mayhew Les Mayhew	Sheila Fields Janet Swinton Shill Marguerite Bishop Valerie Harsh
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Rose Scott	Dianne Overstreet
NURSERY	Megan Cashing Shirley MacNeill	Glenda Mayhew Judy Recher
COUNTING	Sandy Hunter Susan Shockley	Morgan Ingram Blake Bishop

### FACTS & FIGURES

		YTD	Thru 4/30/19	Offrg.	Rec'd.
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$137,530	Inc.	\$44,610.75	5/5	\$2,351.00
Ann. Budget exp.	\$145,537	Exp.	( \$44,195.11)	5/12	\$1,594.55
Mo. Budget needs	\$ 12,128	Diff.	\$415.64	5/19	\$1,300.00
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,799			5/26	\$

### ATTENDANCE

	Worship	Sun. School	Children	Youth
May 19, 2019	22			

## OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS

Amy Townson, Josh Ingram's sister  
Doris Karnowski, Josh Ingram's grandmother  
Mary Chadwick, Dink Armstrong's sister  
Evelyn Lichvar, her brother, Martin, & her son, Rick (health issues)  
Becky Smith & her mother, Elizabeth Scott  
Russell Heiser, Ingrid Phoenix's grandson (health issues)  
Kenneth Andrews, Childress family's friend  
Butch Meade, Glenda Mayhew's brother  
Gladys Wiseman  
Steve "Dee" Shortt, Kim Helmer Shortt's husband (health issue)  
Verne & Clara Smith  
Sharon Entwistle, Barbara Taliaferro's friend  
Peggy Allen  
Dink Armstrong's sister, "Shorty" (health issue)  
Eddie Frankenstein  
Grace Cibula  
Nancy Willis, Corey Whelan's grandmother (terminal diagnosis)  
Carol Bowman, Sharon Entwistle's mother (health issue)  
Pam Henry, Mary Holc's family member (health issue)  
Larry Hicks, Doreen Hicks's husband (health concerns)  
Donna Wilson, Doreen Hicks's daughter  
Billy Robertson (health issue)  
Jo Hatfield, Larry & Linda Johnson's friend (injuries from a fall)  
Jerry Hasky (health issue)  
Mattie-Lynn's Metschke's brother, Montana (in VCU w/failed placenta)  
Moneka Surprenant, Sandy Eickmeyer's friend  
Gwen Spicer Shea, Dianne Overstreet's friend  
Joseph & Lindsay Paul (newborn twins born prematurely)  
Cathy Rackley, friend of Doreen Hicks (heart catheterization)  
Ed Seldon, future son-in-law of Doreen Hicks (upcoming heart catheterization)  
Judy Helm, Doug Holc's friend (health issues)  
Les Mayhew (health issue, testing)  
Doris Harmison (The Crossings at Ironbridge, Chester, Va.)  
Tom Merritt (Chippenham Hospital, heart issues)  
Melvin Huff, Marguirite Bishop's friend (health issues)