Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



June 30, 2019 - 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

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: God, who rules the universe, calls us; All: Christ, who took up his cross, calls us;

One: Holy Spirit, who frees us body and soul, calls us.

All: Let us faithfully answer by worshiping God together!

*Opening Hymn #393 – "O Day of Rest and Gladness"

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we desire what is not your will. We fear failure and cling to unquestioned habits. We are truly sorry and repent of what we have done and what we have left undone. Show us the path of your prophetic way. Open our eyes to new ventures. Help us love our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us and renew us, in the name of life abundant, Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 - "America, the Beautiful"

Prayer for Illumination

Living Word, you still have many things to say to us. Speak, and we will try to bear them. By your Word, may the Spirit guide us into all truth, that our lives may glorify you. Amen.

Scriptural Readings

 1st Reading
 Deuteronomy 15:1-2, 7-11
 p150

 2nd Reading
 Luke 15:11-32
 p850

Sermon "Restored" Dr. Jason N. Cashing

Reflective Hymn #451 – "Open My Eyes That I May See"

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. The same Spirit who inspired prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of 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 and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to service 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.

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

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

One: Lord, in your mercy, **All: Hear our prayers.**

*Departing Hymn #749 – "Come! Live in the Light!"

*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!

*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!

Church office is open on July 4 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Worship services while Pastor Jason is on vacation Sunday, July 7 and Sunday, July 14 will be led by our congregation elders with sermons as prepared by the Pastor.

Choir will be on hiatus July 1-August 13, 2019. Choir practice will resume at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, August 14.

<u>"These Days" (Jul – Sep.) -</u> Summer quarter issues have arrived! A small quantity (20) is available in the Narthex. Pick up a copy today while supply lasts for some inspirational reading!

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
Pianist: Gail Rollings
Financial Sec.: Sandy Hunter

Session Members

Sandy Hunter (2019); Patsy Johnson (2019); Charles Smyth (2019) Pat Hunter (2020); Susan Shockley (2020); _____ (2020) Blake Bishop (2021); Dianne Overstreet (2021); (2021)

Donald Hunter (Clerk of Session)

Trustees

Morgan Ingram (2019); Donald Hunter (2020); John Carl Allen (2021)

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S	9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship Local Emergency Aid Offering	30	9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship 6p Tri-Cities Workcamp plan meeting	7
M	JULY	1	1p Worship Com.	8
T	6p Congregatonal Care Com.	2	7p Missions & Outreach	9
	7p Facilities Com.		Com.	
W		3		10
T	INDEPENDENCE DAY	4	2p Church cleaning	11
	9a-2p Church office open			
	2p Church cleaning			
F		5		12
S		6		13

SUNDAY SERVANTS

GATEKEEPER: Gregg Webber (June)
Bobby Allen (July)

JUN. 30 JUL. 7 Sheila Fields Wayne Powers Brenda Bond Janet Swinton Shill USHERS Glenda Mayhew Marguerite Bishop Les Mayhew Valerie Harsh ANNOUNCEMENTS Rose Scott Dianne Overstreet Valerie Harsh Pat Hunter NURSERY Patsy Johnson Sandy Hunter Morgan Ingram Donald Hunter COUNTING Ron Recher Susan Shockley

FACTS & FIGURES

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		YTD	Thru 5/31/19	Offrg.	Rec'd.		
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$137,530	Inc.	\$53,363.72	6/2	\$3,401.55		
Ann. Budget exp.	\$145,537	Exp.	(\$55,477.93)	6/9	\$2,125.00		
Mo. Budget needs	\$ 12,128	Diff.	(\$2,114.21)	6/16	\$1,885.00		
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,799			6/23	\$1,431.00		
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ATTENDANCE

	Worship	Sun. School	Children	Youth
June 23, 2019	42	5		

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 Entwhistle, 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 Entwhistle'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)

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)

Doris Harmison (The Crossings at Ironbridge, Chester, Va.)

Tom Merritt (health issues)

Melvin Huff, Marguirite Bishop's friend (health issues)

Duane Callis, grandson of Larry Hicks (diabetes complications)

Mark Cheriton, Janet Swinton's son-in-law (returned health issues)

Montag Saldana, preemie born of friends of Susan Shockley