Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



July 7, 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

Dianne Overstreet

Passing of the Peace

Led by Congregation Elder

Sharing of Joys/Concerns

Call to Worship

One: Call upon the Lord!

All: I asked for help and I was healed!

One: We asked for freedom,

All: And we were given liberty beyond measure!

One: Praise God!

All: Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

*Opening Hymn #12 – "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Source of all that gives life, we have turned away from your authority to our own small concerns. Forgive us for our failure to bear one another's burdens, for boasting of anything but your cross, for believing in our own power to justify our lives, and for denying your call to take comfort in you alone. Lead us to the river of life that, in all we do, we may honor your 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

Choral Anthem

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
 Psalm 30:1-12
 p439

 2nd Reading
 Matthew 5:1-7:29
 p785

Sermon "The Sermon on the Mount" Congregation Elder

Reflective Hymn #385 – "All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Affirmation of Faith

We are not alone, we live in God's world. 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 United Church of Canada)

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayers.

*Departing Hymn #649 – "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

*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!

Today's worship service will be led by a congregation elder using a sermon prepared by Pastor Jason, who is on vacation.

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 Pianist: Gail Rollings Treasurer: Kevin Foster 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)

7/7 THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

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S	9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship 6p Tri-Cities Workcamp plan meeting	7	9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship	14			
M	1p Worship Com.	8		15			
Т	7p Missions & Outreach Com.	9		16			
W		10		17			
T	2p Church cleaning	11	2p Church cleaning2p News articles due in church office7p Stewardship & Finance Com.	18			
F		12		19			
S		13		20			

SUNDAY SERVANTS

○ GATEKEEPER: Bobby Allen

	JUL. 7	JUL. 14	
USHERS	Sheila Fields Janet Swinton Shill Marguerite Bishop Valerie Harsh	John Carl Allen Dianne Overstreet Rose Scott Wayne Powers	
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Dianne Overstreet	Valerie Harsh	
NURSERY	Valerie Harsh Sandy Hunter	Mary Webber Donald Hunter	
COUNTING	Donald Hunter Susan Shockley	David Johnson Blake Bishop	

FACTS & FIGURES

		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	
				6/30	\$1,490.00	

ATTENDANCE

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	Worship	Sun. School	Children	Youth			
June 30, 2019	37	9					

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