

Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



July 21, 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

Mary Kay Schroeter

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Dr. Jason N. Cashing

Sharing of Joys/Concerns

Call to Worship

One: God is good and loving to the faithful.

All: Give thanks and praise for all that God has done for us!

One: God is good!

All: Praise the Lord!

***Opening Hymn #463 – "How Firm a Foundation"**

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we have been distracted with many things and have not loved you with our whole heart and strength. We have not paid attention to your Word. We have allowed the poor to be neglected and the weak to be oppressed. We have been impatient in worship and insincere in our dealings with others. Forgive us, we pray, and teach us repentance. Free us from our habits of pride, and make us steadfast in faith, that we may live as those who are reconciled with you in Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom 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

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

1 st Reading	Psalm 52:1-9	p453
2 nd Reading	Luke 10:38-42	p845

Sermon "Be Welcomed" Dr. Jason N. Cashing

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

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)

Commissioning of 2019 Workcampers

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayers.

***Departing Hymn** #475 – "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

*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 we commission our 2019 Gregory Workcampers during this morning's worship. They appreciate your prayers and support as we send them off for the week. A list of campers is available in the Church office. Workcamp base is: Colonial Heights Middle School., 500 Conduit Road, Colonial Heights, VA

Lunch providers for Workcamp: _Mon. (July 22) – Christian Ed; Tues. (July 23) – Missions Outreach; Wed. (July 24) – Congregational Care; Thurs. (July 25) – Worship; Fri. (July 26) – Facilities

Mailing address for the campers is:

[Camper's name]
c/o Tri-Cities Workcamp 2019
P. O. Box 1761
Petersburg, VA 23805

Visitors to Workcamp site must first check in at the Workcamp base at the school and be over the age of 18 and with a government-issued picture I.D. If you would like to attend the closing ceremonies for Workcamp 2019, come to Coloial Heights Mifddle School at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 27. *Thanks for giving us another year of your terrific support, Gregory congregation!*

Flying Squirrels Baseball Game Group Outing - We have rescheduled the Squirrel's Game to Saturday, Aug.10. Once again we have 20 tickets reserved. 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 Squirrel's Dugout. The tickets are \$11 per ticket. All monies should be given to Patsy Johnson on or before Aug.4. If paying by check, please make checks payable to Patsy Johnson. If interested in reserving a ticket, please sign up on the "Sign-Up Sheet" located in the Narthex.

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

e7/21 THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

S	9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship Commissioning of GMPC Workcampers 12:30p Session meeting	21	9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship 5 Cents A Meal Offering	28
M	Tri-Cities Workcamp Lunch host: Christian Ed.Com.	22		29
T	Tri-Cities Workcamp Lunch host: Missions-Outreach Com.	23		30
W	Tri-Cities Workcamp Lunch host: Congregational Care Com.	24	2p Committee reports due	31
T	Tri-Cities Workcamp Lunch host: Worship Com. 2p Church cleaning 2p Newsletter out	25	AUGUST 2p Church cleaning	1
F	Tri-Cities Workcamp Lunch host: Facilities Com.	26	.	2
S	8:30a Tri-Cities Workcamp ends	27		3

SUNDAY SERVANTS

 GATEKEEPER: Bobby Allen

	JUL. 21	JUL. 28
USHERS	Charles Smyth Austin Smyth Morgan Ingram Josh Ingram	Bobby Allen Donna Allen Velma Allen Larry Johnson
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Mary Kay Schroeter	Larry Johnson
NURSERY	Linda Johnson Mary Lykins	Donna Allen Mary Holc
COUNTING	Sandy Hunter Megan Cashing	Morgan Ingram (Sub.)

FACTS & FIGURES

		YTD	Thru 5/31/19	Offrg.	Rec'd.
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$137,530	Inc.	\$53,363.72	7/7	\$3,931.55
Ann. Budget exp.	\$145,537	Exp.	(\$55,477.93)	7/14	\$1,972.00
Mo. Budget needs	\$ 12,128	Diff.	(\$2,114.21)	7/21	\$
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,799			7/28	\$

ATTENDANCE

	Worship	Sun. School	Children	Youth
July 14, 2019	30	7		

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;
Evelyn's now living in North Carolina)
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)
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, Marguerite 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
Randy & Kay Recher, son & daughter-in-law of Ron & Judy Recher
(head-on crash in Oklahoma)