Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



August 18, 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

Valerie Harsh

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Dr. Jason N. Cashing

Sharing of Joys/Concerns

Call to Worship

One: The Lord will guide you continuously and satisfy your needs in parched places;

All: You shall be like a watered garden, whose spring never fails.

One: With thanksgiving and praise, let us worship God!

All: Together in faith, let us praise the One who sustains us!

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

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God of goodness and truth, we have failed to seek after your wisdom and have followed paths that have led away from you. Forgive our foolish ways, and lead us in your truth, that we may live in the fullness of life as you intend through 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 – "What A Day That Will Be"

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
 Hebrews 4:14-5:10
 p973

 2nd Reading
 Matthew 26:36-40
 p808

Sermon "Known on High" Dr. Jason N. Cashing

Reflective Hymn #836 – "Abide with Me"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Affirmation of Faith

In Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Christ God reconciles all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of the cross. In Christ's name, therefore, the Church is sent out to bear witness to the good news of reconciliation with God, with others, and with all creation. In Christ the Church receives its truth and appeal, its holiness, and its unity. Amen.

[from the PC(USA) Book of Order]

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

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

*Departing Hymn #187 - "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

*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!

"Back to Church Sunday" is September 8! September is not just the beginning of a new school year but is a time for us to recommit ourselves to worshiping our Lord. To celebrate this recommitment the Christian Ed Committee has invited The Virginia Harmonheirs to join us in worship Sept. 8 followed by a covered dish luncheon.

The Virginia Harmonheirs is a southern gospel quartet from Central Virginia. They are known for singing of the love of Christ through traditional gospel songs, as well as, some originals and some that are a little more obscure. Their goal is to reach those who don't know Christ, inspire those who do and create an enjoyable and immersive musical experience for all.

Please plan on joining us Sept. 8. Take this opportunity to invite a friend and bring your favorite dish to share!

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); _____ (2021); ____ (2021)

Donald Hunter (Clerk of Session)

Trustees

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

8/18 THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

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|-----|---|----|------------------------------------|----|--|--|--|
| | 9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship | 18 | 9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship | 25 | | | |
| S | | | 5 Cents A Meal Offering | | | | |
| M | | 19 | | 26 | | | |
| T | | 20 | | 27 | | | |
| W | 7p Choir practice | 21 | 7p Choir practice | 28 | | | |
| T | 2p Newsletter out 2p Church cleaning 4-7p Back to School Fair, Scott Park (GMPC has an informational booth at Fair) 7p Stewardship & Finance Com. | 22 | 2p Church cleaning | 29 | | | |
| F | - | 23 | | 23 | | | |
| S | 11a-4p BS Tr900 Eagle Scout ceremony & reception (Polemeni), Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall | 24 | | 31 | | | |

SUNDAY SERVANTS

GATEKEEPER: Charles Smyth

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| | AUG. 18 | AUG. 25 | | |
| USHERS | John Carl Allen Rose Scott Wayne Powers | Charles Smyth Austin Smyth Morgan Ingram Josh Ingram | | |
| ANNOUNCEMENTS | Valerie Harsh | Mary Kay Schroeter | | |
| NURSERY | Lisa Brown Evelyn Foster | Morgan Ingram Josh Ingram | | |
| COUNTING | Sandy Hunter Susan Shockley | Morgan Ingram Blake Bishop | | |

FACTS & FIGURES

| | | YTD | Thru 6/30/19 | Offrg. | Rec'd. |
|---------------------|-----------|-------|---------------|--------|------------|
| Pledged/proj. incr. | \$137,530 | Inc. | \$76,027.28 | 8/4 | \$3,610.00 |
| Ann. Budget exp. | \$145,537 | Exp. | (\$69,199.47) | 8/11 | \$ 771.00 |
| Mo. Budget needs | \$ 12,128 | Diff. | \$ 6,827.81 | 8/18 | \$ |
| Wk. budget needs | \$ 2,799 | | | 8/25 | \$ |

ATTENDANCE

| | Worship | Sun. School | Children | Youth |
|---------------|---------|-------------|----------|-------|
| Aug. 11, 2019 | 48 | 11 | | |

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 Entwhistle, Barbara Taliaferro's friend

Peggy Allen

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

Eddie Frankenstein

Grace Cibula

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

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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)

Corey Whelan, Pat Hunter's grandson (health issues)

T.R. Brockwell, Marguerite Bishop's son (health issues)

Patsy Johnson (broken wrist)

Family/friends of Nancy Willis, Corey Whelan's grandmother (d. 8/12)