

# **Gregory Memorial presbyterian Church**



**August 25, 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 our rock and our fortress,

**All: God is our refuge and our strength.**

One: God is our hope and our trust.

**All: Praise the Lord, now and always!**

**\*Opening Hymn #260 – "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"**

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

God of life, you come to us as a consuming fire, and the one who has consecrated us before time. You promise us a kingdom that cannot be shaken and call us to serve you with praise and thanksgiving. But we forget, and yield to fear. We trust in the tangible rewards of this world, and neglect your promises. We confess that we are a divided people; we foster separations and widen rifts in our families, our communities, and in the world. Open us to your healing. Free us from all that distances us from your presence. Give us your grace and inspire us to serve you with courage; through Jesus Christ who comes to save. 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 <sup>st</sup> Reading	Hebrews 9:1-14	p975
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	Matthew 12:1-6	p792

**Sermon** "The Holy Place" Dr. Jason N. Cashing

**Reflective Hymn** #223 – "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

## **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** #824 – "There Is a Place of Quiet Rest"

### **\*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 worshipping 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)

## 8/25 THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

S	9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship <i>5 Cents A Meal Offering</i>	25	SEP.	1
M		26	LABOR DAY	2
T	.	27	.1p Circie meeting; (G. Cibula home) 6p Congregational Care Com.	3
W	7p Choir practice	28	7p Choir practice	4
T	2p Church cleaning	29	2p Church cleaning	5
F	.	30	.	6
S		31		7

### SUNDAY SERVANTS

🔑 GATEKEEPER: Charles Smyth (Aug.)  
Doug Holc (Sep.)

	AUG. 25	SEP. 1
USHERS	Charles Smyth Austin Smyth Morgan Ingram Josh Ingram	Bobby Allen Donna Allen Velma Allen Larry Johnson
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Mary Kay Schroeter	Larry Johnson
NURSERY	Morgan Ingram Josh Ingram	Megan Cashing Shirley MacNeill
COUNTING	Morgan Ingram Blake Bishop	Donald Hunter Megan Cashing

### 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	\$1,525.55
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,799			8/25	\$

### ATTENDANCE

	Worship	Sun. School	Children	Youth
Aug. 18, 2019	31	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;  
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  
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, premie 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)