Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



September 29, 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: Happy are those whose help is in the God of Jacob.

All: The Lord reigns forever, for all generations.

One: When they call to me, I will answer them, says the Lord.

All: I will be with them in trouble. One: I will rescue and honor them.

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

*Opening Hymn #69 – "I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

We have sinned, O God, hoarding what we have, grasping for me, and ignoring those who hunger and thirst. We stay with our own kind; we are complacent in the face of systems that oppress. Forgive us; purify us; remake us, that we might love as you love. In Christ's name 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

 1st Reading
 Exodus 1: 8-14; 3:1-15
 p43; 44

 2nd Reading
 Mark 12:26-27a
 p825

Sermon "The Living God" Dr. Jason N. Cashing

Reflective Hymn #462 – "I Love to Tell the Story"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Affirmation of Faith

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

[Apostles' Creed, p. 35 of Glory to God hymnal]

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

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

Departing Hymn #772 –"Live into Hope"

*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!

<u>"These Days" (Oct. - Dec.) -</u> Fall 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); _____ (2021); ____ (2021) Donald Hunter (Clerk of Session)

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

9/29 THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

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		29	"WORLD COMMUNION	6
	9:45a Sunday School		SUNDAY"	
	11a Worship		9:45a Sunday School	
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			Communion	
	Local Emergency Aid		Peace & Global Witness	
	Offering		Offering	
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	1p Circle meeting		7p Missions-Outreach Com.	
	6p Congregational Care Com			
	6p GS Tr5000			
	7p Facilities Com.			
W	7p Choir practice	2	7p Choir practice	9
Т	2p Church cleaning	3	2p Church cleaning	10
			7p Christian Ed. Com.	
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SUNDAY SERVANTS

GATEKEEPER: Doug Holc (Sep.)

Charles Smyth (Oct.)

		Charles Shryth (Oct.)
	SEP. 29	Oct. 6
	Charles Smyth	Bobby Allen
USHERS	Austin Smyth	Donna Allen
USHEKS	Morgan Ingram	Velma Allen
	Josh Ingram	Larry Johnson
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Mary Kay Schroeter	Larry Johnson
NURSERY	Pat Hunter	Valerie Harsh
NURSERI	Patsy Johnson	Sandy Hunter
COLINTING	Donald Hunter	David Johnson
COUNTING	Susan Shockley	Blake Bishop

FACTS & FIGURES

THE IS WITGERES					
		YTD	Thru 6/30/19	Offrg.	Rec'd.
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$137,530	Inc.	\$76,027.28	9/1	\$2,526.00
Ann. Budget exp.	\$145,537	Exp.	(\$69,199.47)	9/8	\$ 3,013.55
Mo. Budget needs	\$ 12,128	Diff.	\$ 6,827.81	9/15	\$1,045.00
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,799			9/22	\$1,407.00
				9/29	\$

ATTENDANCE

	Worship	Sun. School	Children	Youth
Sep. 22, 2019	33	10		

OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS

Amy Townson, Josh Ingram's sister

Doris Karnowski, Josh Ingram's grandmother

Mary Chadwick, Dink Armstrong's sister

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

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

Carol Bowman, Sharon Entwhistle's mother (health issue)

Peggy Allen

Eddie Frankenstein

Grace Cibula

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)

Larry Hicks, Doreen Hicks's husband (health concerns)

Donna Wilson, Doreen Hicks's daughter

Cathy Rackley, friend of Doreen Hicks (heart catheterization)

Ed Seldon, future son-in-law of Doreen Hicks (upcoming heart catheterization)

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

Tom Merritt (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)

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

Judy Helm, Doug Holc's friend (health issues)

Pam Henry, Mary Holc's family member (health issue)

Etta Holc (mini-strokes; home)

Sandra Elder, Lauren Knupp's mother (health issues)

Jensen Gallaher, Kelly Knupp's daughter & Sandra Elder's granddaughter (recov., surgery)

Velma Allen (severe arthritis)

Family/friends of Judge James D'Alton (d. 9/13)