

Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



"WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY" October 6, 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

Larry Johnson

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Dr. Jason N. Cashing

Sharing of Joys/Concerns

Call to Worship

One: Shema, Israel; Adonai elohenu, Adonai ehad.

All: Hear, O Israel; the Lord is God, the Lord alone.

One: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases.

All: God's mercies never come to an end.

One: God's mercies are new every morning!

All: Great is the faithfulness of God!

***Opening Hymn #39 – "Great is Thy Faithfulness"**

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Jesus, Master, have mercy on us. We keep our distance from you, for we are broken and sick with sin. Yet you see us, and cleanse us, and make us whole. Forgive us when we forget to return to you – have mercy when we fail to praise your name, and help us to exude the faith that makes us well. 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 – "Taste and See"

Prayer for Illumination

These are your words, O God. Humble us to speak their weight. Strengthen us to hear their truth. Unbind us to live their call. Through the power of your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Scriptural Readings

1 st Reading	Deuteronomy 5:1-21; 6:4-9	p142; 143
2 nd Reading	Mark 12:28-31	p825

Sermon "Shema" Dr. Jason N. Cashing

Reflective Hymn #757 – "Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Affirmation of Faith

We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of the One God, maker and sustainer of earth, sea, and sky. Born of Mary's womb, faithful to the God of Abraham and Sarah, Jesus healed the sick, served the poor, and proclaimed Heaven on earth. Condemned by the religious, crucified by the state, he died but transformed even death and rose to life everlasting. He blessed the disciples with his Holy Spirit and sent them forth, East and West, North and South. We commit ourselves to Jesus, to one another as brothers and sisters, and to his mission in the world in the grace of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

[from the Iona Abbey Community]

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayers.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION [See insert]

Departing Hymn #515 – "I Come with Joy"

*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 is "World Communion Sunday." The envelope for the Peace & Global Witness Special Offering is provided.

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)

10/6 THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

S	"WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY" 9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship & Holy Communion <i>Peace & Global Witness Special Offering</i>	6	9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship <i>Flowers: R. Scott</i>	13
M	1p Worship Com.	7	"COLUMBUS DAY" 6-9p Crater BS Karakona Chapter Hallowe'en party (setup 1-5p), Fellowship Hall	14
T	7p Missions-Outreach Com.	8	6p GS Tr5000	15
W	7p Choir practice	9	7p Choir practice	16
T	2p Church cleaning 7p Christian Ed. Com.	10	2p News articles due in office 2p Church cleaning 7p Stewardship & Finance Com.	17
F		11		18
S		12		19

SUNDAY SERVANTS



GATEKEEPER: Charles Smyth

	Oct. 6	Oct.13
USHERS	Bobby Allen Donna Allen Velma Allen Larry Johnson	Wayne Powers Brenda Bond Glenda Mayhew Les Mayhew
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Larry Johnson	Rose Scott
NURSERY	Valerie Harsh Sandy Hunter	Mary Webber Donald Hunter
COUNTING	David Johnson Blake Bishop	Sandy Hunter Megan Cashing

FACTS & FIGURES

		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	\$3,288.00

ATTENDANCE

	Worship	Sun. School	Children	Youth
Sep. 29, 2019	34	12		

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 preemie twins)
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 (health issue)
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)
Jane Jones (health issue)