Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



November 3, 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: Let all who are faithful offer prayers to God. All: In times of distress, we will not be overwhelmed. One: You are our hiding place, O Lord; All: You preserve us from trouble. One: In our is our comfort and shelter. All: We offer you praise for the joy of our lives.

*Opening Hymn #1 - "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God of the covenant, who calls all people to reconciliation, you have made us members of the very body of Christ; yet we persist in wounding that body with our divisions, our suspicions, and our neglect. Forgive us, and teach us to nurture unity and peace. For the sake of Jesus Christ and the world he came 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 - "Song of the Saints"

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 |
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| 1 st Reading | 1 Kings 18:17-39 | p283 |
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| 2 nd Reading | Mark 9:2-4 | p820 |

Sermon

"Call On the Name"

Dr. Jason N. Cashing

Reflective Hymn #463 - "How Firm a Foundation"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Affirmation of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. Amen.

(from The PC(USA) Brief Statement of Faith)

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer One: Lord, in your mercy, **All: Hear our prayers.**

#263 – "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

*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!

"Bright Hope Retreat" – Camp Hanover (Nov. 7) – Camp Hanover and POJ's Older Adult Ministry are hosting a one-day retreat for adults on <u>Thursday, Nov. 7 from 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.</u> Cost is \$20/person and includes a continental breakfast and a hearty lunch. Register on-line at www.camphanover.org/bright-hope, or call 804.779.2911. (Flyer on Narthex table).

Christmas Poinsettias – Order forms for Christmas Poinsettias will be included in the Sunday bulletins from Nov. 10 through Dec. 1 (last day to order). Cost is \$13 (includes \$1 delivery fee). Please make check payable to: Gregory Memorial Church. Plants will be delivered in time for display beginning Dec. 15. This year, you may choose either red or white plants. <u>If you do not mark your color preference, a red plant will be ordered for you.</u> So be sure to indicate your color choice on the form!

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)

11/3 THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

| | | 3 | | 10 |
|---|------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|-----|
| | 2a Daylight Saving Time ends | | 9:45a Sunday School | |
| s | 9:45a Sunday School | | 11a Worship | |
| 2 | 6:30p WorkCamp | | - | |
| | planning meeting | | Order Xmas Poinsettias | |
| | | | Cut-off date is 12/1 | |
| Μ | | 4 | VETERANS DAY | 11 |
| | | | 6-9p Crater BS Karakona | |
| | | | Chapt. meeting (Veterans | |
| | | | Recognition program) | |
| Т | ELECTION DAY | 5 | 7p Missions-Outreach Com. | 12 |
| | 1p Circle meeting | | | |
| | 6p Congregational Care Com. | | | |
| | 6p GS Tr5000 | | | |
| | 7p Facilities Com. | | | |
| W | 7p Choir practice | 6 | 7p Choir practice | 13 |
| | | 7 | | 14 |
| Т | 2p Church cleaning | 7 | 2p News articles due in | 14 |
| | | | office | |
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SUNDAY SERVANTS Or GATEKEEPER: Doug Holc

| | Nov. 3 | Nov. 10 |
|---------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| | Charles Smyth | Bobby Allen |
| USHERS | Austin Smyth | Donna Allen |
| USHERS | Morgan Ingram | Velma Allen |
| | Josh Ingram | Larry Johnson |
| ANNOUNCEMENTS | Mary Kay Schroeter | Larry Johnson |
| NURSERY | Rose Scott | Marguerite Bishop |
| NORSERT | Susan Shockley | Blake Bishop |
| COUNTING | David Johnson | Sandy Hunter |
| | Ron Recher | Susan Shockley |

* 5 Cents a Meal Offering

FACTS & FIGURES

| | | YTD | Thru 6/30/19 | Offrg. | Rec'd. |
|---------------------|-----------|-------|---------------|--------|------------|
| Pledged/proj. incr. | \$137,530 | Inc. | \$76,027.28 | 10/6 | \$2,930.65 |
| Ann. Budget exp. | \$145,537 | Exp. | (\$69,199.47) | 10/13 | \$1,895.00 |
| Mo. Budget needs | \$ 12,128 | Diff. | \$ 6,827.81 | 10/20 | \$1,338.00 |
| Wk. budget needs | \$ 2,799 | | | 10/27 | \$1,476.05 |

ATTENDANCE

| | Worship | Sun. School | Children | Youth |
|---------------|---------|-------------|----------|-------|
| Oct. 27, 2019 | 37 | 6 | | |

OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS

Amy Townson, Josh Ingram's sister Mary Chadwick & Adelaide "Shorty" Smith, "Dink" Armstrong's sisters (health issue) Evelyn Lichvar, her brother, Martin, & her son, Rick (health issues) Becky Scott Smith 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 Eddie Frankenstein Grace Cibula Jerry Hasky (health issue) 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) 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) Pam Henry, Mary Holc's family member (health issue) Sandra Elder, Kelly Knupp's mother (health issues) Velma Allen (severe arthritis) Gregg Webber (moved to Encompass Rehab., Petersburg) Etta Holc (broken foot; home) Buck Nunnally (health issue) Jim & Adele Linkenhoker, friends of Barb Taliaferro (health concerns) Jackie Woodruff (health issues) Shirley MacNeill (heart attack, recovering at home) Family/friends of Gwen Spicer Shea (d. 10/19) Family & Friends of Doris Karnowski, Josh Ingram's grandmother (d.10/20) Jane & Bob Jones (health issues)