Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



November 10, 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: God has chosen us as the first fruits of salvation; All: We have been called to receive the good news of Jesus Christ! One: Thanks be to God for such extravagant grace! All: Praise the Lord!

*Opening Hymn #634 – "To God Be the Glory"

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Gracious God, we call upon you, for you will answer us. We confess that we have transgressed in our speech and have not always avoided the ways of the violent. Our steps have not always held to your paths. Try us, forgive us, and heal us, dear God. Set us on your right ways, and guard us as the apple of your eye, embracing us once more in your steadfast love. 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 – "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"

Prayer for Illumination

Pour out your Spirit upon us, O God; with your Word enlighten the eyes of our hearts, that we might live in hope; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Scriptural Readings

Sermon	"As Children"	Dr. Jason N. Cashing
1 st Reading	Hosea 11:1-9	p737
2 nd Reading	Mark 10:13-14	p822

Reflective Hymn #488 - "I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry"

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.**

Departing Hymn #691 – "Lord, When I Came into This Life"

*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!

Paper Products Needed - The Congregational Care Committee is seeking donations of paper products for church use (paper towels, toilet tissue).

It's Time to Order Christmas Poinsettias! - Order forms for Christmas Poinsettias will be included in the Sunday bulletins from today 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. If you do not mark your color preference, a red plant will be ordered for you. So be sure to indicate your color choice on the form!

Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser - A Pancake Breakfast to benefit our WorkCamp 2020 group will be held on Sunday, November 24, from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m., in the Fellowship Hall prior to worship. Donations will be accepted.

Following worship on Sunday, November 24, we will be "decking the halls" with our Advent/Christmas decorations. Bring a bag lunch and come ready to prepare our space for the season to come!

Thanksgiving Ecumenical Worship Service will be held by Church of the Sacred Heart in New Bohemia on Sunday. November 24, 2019 beginning at 5:00 p.m.

<u>GMPC Information</u> 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)

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s	9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship Order Xmas Poinsettias Cut-off date is 12/1	10	9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship 12:30p Session meeting Order Xmas Poinsettias Cut-off date is 12/1	17
М	VETERANS DAY 6-9p Crater BS Karakona Chapter meeting (Veterans Recognition program)	11		18
Т	7p Missions-Outreach Com.	12	6p GS Tr5000	19
W	7p Choir practice	13	7p Choir practice	20
Т	 2p News articles due in office 2p Church cleaning 7p Christian Ed. Com. 	14	 2p Newsletter out 2p Church cleaning 7p Stewardship & Finance Com. 	21
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SUNDAY SERVANTS

GATEKEEPER: Doug Holc

	Nov. 10	Nov. 17	
	Bobby Allen	Wayne Powers	
USHERS	Donna Allen	Brenda Bond	
USHERS	Velma Allen	Glenda Mayhew	
	Larry Johnson	Les Mayhew	
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Larry Johnson	Rose Scott	
NURSERY	Marguerite Bishop	Lisa Brown	
NUKSEKI	Blake Bishop	Evelyn Foster	
COUNTING	Sandy Hunter	Morgan Ingram	
COUNTING	Susan Shockley	Blake Bishop	

* 5 Cents a Meal Offering

FACTS & FIGURES

		YTD	Thru 9/30/19	Offrg.	Rec'd.
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$137,530	Inc.	\$103,022.67	11/3	\$2,198.00
Ann. Budget exp.	\$145,537	Exp.	(\$102,985.22)	11/10	\$
Mo. Budget needs	\$ 12,128	Diff.	\$ 37.45	11/17	\$
Wk. budget needs	\$ 2,799			11/24	\$

ATTENDANCE

	Worship	Sun. School	Children	Youth
Nov. 3, 2019	42	12		

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)

Jane & Bob Jones (health issues)