

Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



"CHRIST THE KING"

November 24, 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

Passing of the Peace

Rev. Dr. Jason N. Cashing

Sharing of Joys/Concerns

Call to Worship

One: Worship Christ, Eternal Son of God;

All: Honor Christ, Incarnate Son of Mary;

One: Serve Christ, Glorious Ruler of creation;

All: For to Christ belong the power and the glory of the Almighty.

One: Praise be to God!

All: Praise and adoration from this day forward!

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

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Holy God, we confess that we have neglected to declare Jesus the king and model for our lives. We have been quick to call on others to follow the ways of Christ yet slow to do the same. We have been bold in demanding generosity, mercy, and forgiveness, yet quiet when it comes to offering inclusion, love, and compassion. Forgive us, O God. Restore in us, yet again, the commitment to be more Christ-like in word, in deed, and in spirit. 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 – "Count Your Blessings"

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

1 st Reading	2 Kings 22:1-23:3	p310
2 nd Reading	Luke 24:30-32	p861

Sermon "Burning Hearts" Dr. Jason N. Cashing

Reflective Hymn #702 – "Christ Be Beside Me"

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 #268 – "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

***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!

Christmas Open House - The PG Christmas Parade is at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 7, and Gregory will again have an Open House following the Parade. Missions-Outreach Committee is asking for your support by baking 3 dozen cookies. Hot chocolate will also be served. Cookies can be brought to church from 2-4 p.m. on Friday. or at noon on Saturday. There is a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall for bringing cookies. Your participation will be greatly appreciated!

Church office Hours, during upcoming holidays:

Thanksgiving Week: Mon.-Wed., 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Christmas Week: Mon., Thurs., Fri., 9 a.m.-2 p.m. (*no Tues & Wed.*)

New Year's Week: Tues. - Thurs., 9 a.m.-2 p.m. (*regular schedule*)

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

Time To Order Christmas Poinsettias! –Cost is \$13 (includes \$1 delivery fee). Please make check payable to: Gregory Memorial Church. 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!

After lunch today, we will be "decking the halls" with our Advent/Christmas decorations.

Thanksgiving Ecumenical Worship Service will be held at 5 p.m. today at Church of the Sacred Heart in New Bohemia. After the service, a Thanksgiving dinner will be served in the Parish Hall by Knights of Columbus Lodge #14511 from 6-7:30 p.m. *All are welcomed to this ecumenical event.*

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

11/24 THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

S	<p>9:00a Pancake Breakfast 24 9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship</p> <p>Bagged lunch, then decorate church for Advent & Xmas</p> <p>5p Thanksgiving Ecumenical Worship Service, Church of the Sacred Heart, then 6p dinner in Parish Hall)</p> <p><i>Order Xmas Poinsettias</i></p>	<p style="text-align: right;">DEC 1</p> <p>9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship Holy Communion</p> <p>6:30p WorkCamp plan Meeting; Fellowship Hall</p> <p><u>Last day to Order Xmas Poinsettias</u></p>
M	9a-2p Church office open 25	1p Worship Com. 2
T	9a-2p Church office open 26	<p>11a Poinsettia order to florist 3 1p Circle meeting (Host TBA) 6p Congregational. Care Com. 6p GS Tr5000 7p Facilities Com.</p>
W	<p>9a-2p Church office open 7p Choir practice 27</p>	7p Choir practice 4
T	<p>THANKSGIVING DAY 28 Church office closed</p>	<p>2p Church cleaning 5 7p Christian Ed. Com.</p>
F	2p Church cleaning 29	6
S	2p Committee reports due 30	<p>3p PG Xmas Parade; GMPC 7 Open House "Cookies 'n' Cocoa" in, Fellowship Hall</p>

SUNDAY SERVANTS

🔑 GATEKEEPER: Doug Holc (Nov.)
 Bobby Allen (Dec.)

	Nov. 24	Dec. 1
USHERS	Wayne Powers Brenda Bond Glenda Mayhew Les Mayhew	Sheila Fields Janet Swinton Shill Marguerite Bishop Valerie Harsh
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Rose Scott	
NURSERY	Lisa Brown Evelyn Foster	Morgan Ingram Josh Ingram
COUNTING	Morgan Ingram Blake Bishop	Donald Hunter Megan Cashing

* 5 Cents a Meal Offering

FACTS & FIGURES

		YTD	Thru 10/31/19	Offrg.	Rec'd.
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$137,530	Inc.	\$110,661.63	11/3	\$2,198.00
Ann. Budget exp.	\$145,537	Exp.	(\$116,229.40)	11/10	\$1,536.55
Mo. Budget needs	\$ 12,128	Diff.	(\$ 5,567.77)	11/17	\$1,409.00
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ATTENDANCE

	Worship	Sun. School	Children	Youth
Nov.17, 2019	50	11		

OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS

Amy Townson, Josh Ingram's sister
Mary Chadwick & Adelaide "Shorty" Smith, "Dink" Armstrong's sisters
(health issues)
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 Entwistle, 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.)
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)
Etta Holc (broken foot; home)
Buck Nunnally (health issues)
Jim & Adele Linkenhoker, Barb Taliaferro's friends (health concerns)
Jackie Woodruff (health issues)
Shirley MacNeill (heart attack; recovering at home)
Jane & Bob Jones (health issues)
Junie ("Bug") Treaster (recovering from brain surgery)
Family/friends of Helen Williams, Patsy Johnson's aunt (d. 11/9)
Family/friends of Gregg Webber (d. 11/13)