

Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



February 16, 2020 – 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 who walk in the way of the Lord;

All: Those who seek God with their whole hearts will be fulfilled.

One: Love the Lord, and choose what is good.

All: Hold fast to God, so that you may flourish and grow.

One: How shall we turn our hearts again to our Lord and God?

All: We will lift our hearts and our voices in worship and praise!

***Opening Hymn #65 – "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"**

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Holy God, we confess that we bow down before other gods; we have turned our hearts away from you. Our worship of work and devotion to consumerism disorders our love of you and each other. Forgive us, God, and mend what is broken, that we may be one with you in Christ, our Lord. 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 – "I Feel the Spirit"

Prayer for Illumination

Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove: Open our ears to the truth of your Word, that the testimony of Christ may be strengthened among us and the glad news of deliverance revealed. Amen.

Scriptural Readings

1st Reading

Psalm 51:1-3, 6-7

p452

2nd Reading:

Mark 7:1-23

p818

Sermon

"Truly Clean" Rev. Dr. Jason N. Cashing

Reflective Hymn #216 – "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

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.

[The Apostles' Creed]

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayers.

Departing Hymn #707 – "Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord"

*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!

TWC'20 Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser will be held on Sunday, February 23, from 9:00 a.m-10:00 a.m.

Shrove/"Fat" Tuesday Dinner and Service for the burning of palms is scheduled for Tuesday, February 25 in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 p.m. and worship service will follow.

Ash Wednesday Service will be held on February 26, at 7:00 p.m.

Session Workshop/Discussion (non-business meeting) will be held at 12:30 p.m. today in the Session Meeting Room after the worship service.

Lent begins February 27. Schedule for Lenten services followed by a simple lunch as follows; all are welcome!

March 5	Gary's UMC
March 12-	Sycamore UMC
March 19	GMPC
March 26	TBA
April 2	Bethlehem Congregational Church

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

Lisa Brown (2020); Pat Hunter (2020); Susan Shockley (2020)
Blake Bishop (2021); Larry Johnson (2021); Barbara Taliaferro (2021)
Mary Holc (2022); Sandy Hunter (2022); Charles Smyth (2022)
Larry Johnson (Clerk of Session)

Trustees

Donald Hunter (2020); John Carl Allen (2021); Ron Recher (2022)

2/16 THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

S	9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship 12:30p Session Workshop/Discussion	16	9-10a TWC'20 Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser 9:45a Sunday School 11a Worship 5 Cents a Meal Offering	23
M	WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY/ PRESIDENTS DAY	17		24
T	6p GSA Tr5000	18	SHROVE "FAT" TUESDAY 6:30p Shrove/"Fat" Tuesday dinner followed by burning of palms, Fellowship Hall	25
W	7p Choir practice	19	ASH WEDNESDAY 2p Annual reports to Presbytery 7p Ash Wednesday. service 7p Choir practice	26
T	2p Newsletter out 2p Church cleaning 7p Stewardship & Finance Com.	20	BEGIN LENT 2p Church cleaning	27
F		21		28
S		22	2p Committee reports due	29

SUNDAY SERVANTS

 GATEKEEPER Doug Holc

	Feb. 16	Feb. 23
USHERS	Charles Smyth Austin Smyth Morgan Ingram Josh Ingram	Bobby Allen Donna Allen Larry Johnson
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Mary Kay Schroeter	Larry Johnson
NURSERY		
COUNTING	Donald Hunter Megan Cashing	David Johnson (Sub.)

FACTS & FIGURES

		YTD	Thru 1/31/20	Offrg.	Rec'd.
Pledged/proj. incr.	\$137,530	Inc.	\$ 8,184.55	2/2	\$2,845.00
Ann. Budget exp.	\$145,537	Exp.	(\$10,744.39)	2/9	\$1,383.05
Mo. Budget needs	\$ 12,128	Diff.	(\$ 2,559.84)	2/16	\$
				2/23	\$

ATTENDANCE

	Worship	Sun. School	Children	Youth
Feb. 9, 2020	130	10		

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
Steve "Dee" Shortt, Kim Helmer Shortt's husband (health issue)
Verne & Clara Smith
Peggy Allen
Eddie Frankenstein
Grace Cibula
Etta Holc
Gladys Wiseman
Jerry Hasky (health issue)
Doris Harmison (The Crossings at Ironbridge, Chester, Va.)
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
Sandra Elder, Kelly Knupp's mother (health issues)
Velma Allen (health issue)
Adele Linkenhoker, Barbara Taliaferro's friend (health concerns)
Jackie Woodruff (health issues)
Jane & Bob Jones (health issues)
Junie "Bug" Treaster (recovering from surgery)
Lee Harsh, Valerie Harsh's brother-in-law (health issue)
Rev. Paul Luthman, previously our pastor (recovering from surgery)
Irene Ondisko, Donna Allen's mother (moved into hospice care)
Sharon Reed & family, Susan Shockley's co-worker (health issue)
Jennifer Caldwell, friend of Grace Cibula (health issue)
Reese Etheridge, Wayne Powers' uncle (health issue)
Randy Warthan (health issue)
David Minor (health issue)
Chris Harvey (MCV, burns accident)
Inez Paul, Mary Holc's mother (health issue, rehab)
Ron Recher (recov. from surgery)