#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

We welcome the Rev. Sylvester H. Bullock, back to our pulpit!

#### The Pulpit line-up for June:

June 5: Rev. H. Carson Rhyne, Jr. ("Day of Pentecost")

June 12: Rev. Sylvester H. Bullock ("Trinity Sunday"); Session Moderator

June 19: Rev. Pat Elder ("Father's Day"; "Juneteenth")

June 26: Rev. Marvin Daniel ("Sunday in the Park" at Scott Mem. Park pavilion)

**Session Meeting** – Today after worship service; Moderator: Rev. Sylvester Bullock.

Meeting location change - Ch. 19 Order of Arrow meets in the Scout Hut June 13.

Circle Meeting – Tuesday, June 14 at 1 p.m.; location TBA.

"Sunday in the Park" – Sunday, June 26, (no Sunday School). Worship service begins at 11 a.m. in Scott Memorial Park pavilion (6680 Courthouse Rd., Prince George, VA) followed by picnic lunch. Fried chicken, iced tea and water will be provided. Congregation is asked to please bring a favorite covered-dish "side."

#### **GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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#### **Session Members**

(Term = 3 yrs.; \* indicates a partial term)

Mary Holc (2022); Sandy Hunter (2022); Charles Smyth (2022) Lisa Brown (2023); Donald Hunter (2023); William Shill\* (2023) Rose Scott (2024); David L. Johnson\* (2024); Susan Shockley (2024) Donald Hunter (Clerk of Session - 2022)

#### Trustees

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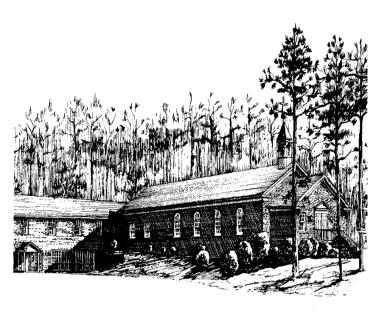
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# **Gregory Memorial**Presbyterian Church



Christians Who Love and Care.

"Look, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to each person according to what they have done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End." ~ Revelations 22:12-13

TRINITY SUNDAY June 12, 2022

# GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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 that 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 God's presence!

Prelude

Sandra Perkins, Organist Gail Rollings, Pianist

**Chiming of the Hour** 

Welcome & Announcements

**Rose Scott** 

Passing of the Peace/ Sharing of Joys & Concerns Rev. Sylvester H. Bullock, Guest Preacher

Call to Worship [Pastor, responsive]

One: Come, weary one...

All: for God is in this place.

One: Come, restless one...

All: for God is in this place.

One: Come, hopeful one...

All: for God is in this place.

One: Come, curious one...

All: for God is in this place.
One: God is in me, and God is in you.

All: So, in every place in this place, God is here.

\* Opening Hymn #41 "O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!"

#### **OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS**

Amy Townson, Josh Ingram's sister

**Becky Scott Smith** 

Russell Heiser, Ingrid Phoenix's grandson (health issues)

Butch Meade, Glenda Mayhew's brother

Verne & Clara Smith

Peggy Allen

Eddie Frankenstein

Grace Cibula

Etta Holc

Jerry Hasky (health issue)

Lee Harsh, Valerie Harsh's brother-in-law (health issue)

Sandra Elder, Kelly Knupp's mother (health issues)

Jennifer Caldwell, friend of Grace Cibula (health issue)

Reese Etheridge, Wayne Powers' uncle (health issue)

Dana Etheridge, Wayne Powers' cousin (health issue)

Randy Warthan (health issue)

Inez Paul, Mary Holc's mother (health issue, rehab)

Floyd M. Brown, Sr. (health issues)

Traci Wells, Glenda Mayhew's friend (health issue)

Larry Brown of Chesterfield, Larry Johnson's friend (health issue)

Billy Hudson, friend of Dianna Lykins Flaherty, Mary Lykins' daughter

Renee' Renier, Diana Flaherty's long-time friend (health issue)

Shirley MacNeill (health issue)

Emily Henry, Mary Holc's sister (health issue)

Kenny Overstreet (health issue)

Charlie Perkins (surgery, health issue)

Jim & Karen Hamilton of Charlotte, NC, Judy Recher's nephew

& niece (injured, vehicular accident)

Ron Recher (recovering, home)

Judy Recher

ANNOUNCEMENTS - See back cover.

#### THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

	TRINITY SUNDAY	12	"FATHER'S DAY" "JUNETEENTH"	19
	9:30a Sunday School		<b>9:30a</b> Sunday School	
	11a Worship Service			
S	*Guest preacher:		11a Worship Service	
	Rev. Sylvester H. Bullock		*Guest preacher:	
	<b>12p</b> Session Meeting; Moderator: Rev. Sylvester H. Bullock		Rev. Pat Elder	
		13		20
Т	<b>9a</b> 111 <sup>th</sup> Presby. Meeting (via Zoom; Bill Shill, Comr.)	14		21
	1p Circle (Location: TBA)			
	<b>7p</b> Faith Cmte.			
W		15		22
Т	<b>6a</b> Church cleaning	16	<b>6a</b> Church cleaning	23
	<b>2p</b> News articles due		<b>2p</b> Newsletter out	
	<b>7p</b> Finance Cmte.			
F		17		24
S	7a Possible use of church parking lot for graduation parking spillover, if requested	18		25

#### ATTENDANCE: WORSHIP SUNDAY SCHOOL

	М	V	М	V
June 5, 2022	23	4	6	
June 12, 2022				
June 19, 2022				
June 26, 2022				

M=Members V=Visitors

#### Call to Confession [Pastor]

God invites us to a real relationship, a place where we are honest with ourselves, others and God. Let's start here, confessing the uncomfortable truth of our sin, together.

#### Prayer of Confession [In unison]

If we say we have no sin, we are not being honest, and the truth is not in us. Therefore we confess our true selves: that we have often ignored our own privilege even as we benefit from it. That we have not listened to the pain of others but have instead dismissed it to keep ourselves comfortable. That we have not done the hard work of belonging to each other. We also confess that we are better than this: our sin is not all we are. With your help, God, we can change. We can listen. We can heal and bring healing to others. We confess this possibility, in the name of the One who makes all things possible. Amen. (Continuing in silent personal confessions....)

#### Assurance of Pardon [Pastor]

We belong to God. We belong to each other. God does not look at us and see only sin; God sees belovedness. Believe that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven, in ways we may never fully understand. This is good news.

# \*Congregational Response Hymn #581 "Glory Be to the Father"

# Prayer for Illumination [In unison]

Soften us, God, so that we may approach your word without pride or rigidity. Show us, Jesus, what it means to belong to each other and to you. Stir us up, Spirit, that these words may be made incarnate in our lives. Amen.

# **Scriptural Readings**

Old Testament: Proverbs 8: 1-4, 22-31 p. 515 New Testament: Romans 5: 1-5 p. 917

Sermon: "No Term Appointment" Rev. Sylvester H. Bullock

#### Affirmation of Faith [In unison]

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.

[Apostles' Creed]

# Call for the Offering [Pastor]

We are called to hold the gifts we have been given with hands open, ready to share. We do not hoard or hold tightly to what we own because we do not own much but borrow it for a time. Let us give from a place of abundant love and mindful care, knowing with God there is more than enough.

#### Offering, Offertory

\* Doxology Hymn #606 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

# Prayer of Dedication [In unison]

Use these gifts, God, to do more than we could believe or imagine, building a world of justice and healing where there is enough for all. Amen.

# Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer [Pastor]

What does it mean that you are sovereign, God? Does it mean that you direct our days with a strong hand, marshalling us into obedience and servitude? Does it mean that creation is for the exercise of your dominion, for you to show your power and might? Or maybe, does your sovereignty mean something more like a pouring out: an emptying of the political words that do nothing; an emptying of religion that only serves to make a show of itself, to gain votes and money and power; an emptying of the very heavens themselves, raining down upon a

weary world with something like joy; an emptying of our theologies of safety and comfort that we may be filled with the courage and creativity of the wild dreamers and builders of new worlds; an emptying of our borders of church walls and building projects and bottom lines, so that we can remember what it really means to be your people, to do church and not incorporate it, to live who we say you are in our every moment; an emptying of our deep places of despair and fear and rage and insecurity so that we can be filled like cracked cups overflowing still with a grace that cannot be contained.

If this is what it means for you to be our sovereign God, we welcome it. We welcome you, birther of new worlds and new life, to come and disrupt our patterns that serve neither us nor you nor our neighbor.

We welcome you, birther of new worlds and new life, to create something alive in us, even now, especially now. It is in this recognition of hope that we pray in the way that you taught us, "Our Father..."

#### \*Departing Hymn #310 "I Love Thy Kingdom Lord"

#### \*Charge & Benediction [Pastor]

Go with the creativity of the One who made you. Go with the compassion of the One who claims you. Go with the courage of the One who stirs you to action. Go in peace. Amen.

#### \*Postlude

# Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church Hymns for Worship Service – June 12, 2022 (Trinity Sunday)

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# Hymn #41 "O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!"

- 1) O worship the King, all glorious above! O gratefully sing God's power and God's love: our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.
- 2) O tell of God's might; O sing of God's grace, whose robe is the light, whose canopy space, whose chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form; and bright is God's path on the wings of the storm.
- 3) The earth with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, your power has founded of old; established it fast by a changeless decree, and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.
- 4) Your bountiful care what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air; it shines in the light; it streams from the hill; it descends to the plain, and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.
- 5) Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in you do we trust, nor find you to fail; your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

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# Hymn #310 "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

- 1) I love thy kingdom, Lord, the house of thine abode, the church our blest Redeemer saved with his own precious blood.
- 2) I love thy church, O God. Her walls before thee stand, dear as the apple of thine eye, and graven on thy hand.
- 3) For her my tears shall fall; for her my prayers ascend; to her my cares and toils be given, till toils and cares shall end.
- 4) Beyond my highest joy I prize her heavenly ways: her sweet communion, solemn vows, her hymns of love and praise.
- 5) Sure as thy truth shall last, to Zion shall be given the brightest glories earth can yield, and brighter bliss of heaven.