

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome the Rev. Beverly Sherrill Bullock back to our pulpit!

July's Guest Preachers:

July 3: Rev. Sylvester H. Bullock

July 10: Rev. Clay Macaulay

July 17: Rev. Beverly Sherrill Bullock

July 24: Rev. Dr. Errol G. Rohr

July 31: TBA

Tri-Cities Workcamp for 2022 – July 17-23. Today we commission our 2022 Gregory Workcampers who appreciate your prayers and support as we send them off for the week. Workcamp base is Colonial Hgts. Middle School., 500 Conduit Road, Colonial Heights, VA. Workcamp site is 607 Columbia Road, Petersburg, VA 23803. Visitors to Workcamp site must first check in at the Workcamp base at school and be over the age of 18 and with a government-issued picture I.D.

Address mail to Workcampers as follows:

(Workcamper's name) c/o Tri-Cities Workcamp, P.O. Box 1761, Petersburg, VA 23805.

To attend Camp's closing ceremonies, come to Colonial Hgts. Middle Middle School at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 23. *Thanks for giving us another year of your terrific support!*

Lunch Schedule: Provide entre', dessert & fruit for Workcampers at work site;

Arrive at work site at noon - 607 Columbia Road, Petersburg, VA 23803

Mon., July 18: Finance Cmte. (S. Shockley; subs)

Tues., July 19: Worship Cmte. (R. Scott; McDonald's)

Wed., July 20: Congregational Care Cmte. (M. Holc; chicken)

Thurs.; July 21: Presbyterian Women (G. Cibula, S. Hunter; pizza)

Fri.: July 22: Faith Cmte. (S. Hunter; tacos)

GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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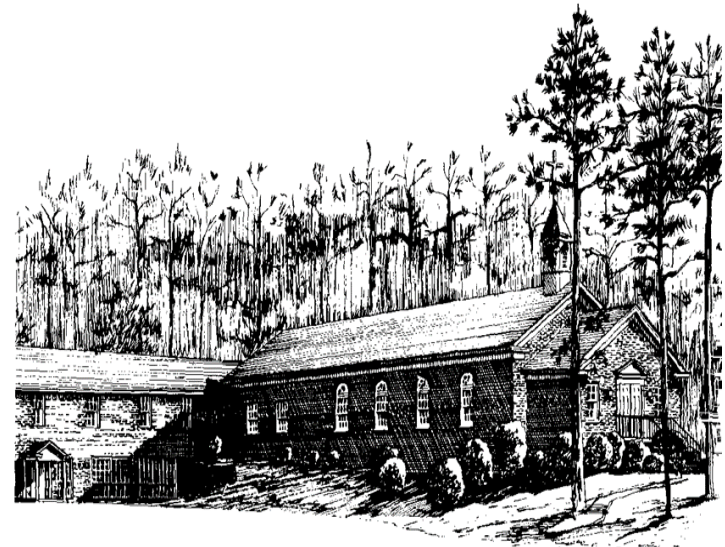
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Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



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

**July 17, 2022
11:00 a.m.**

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

Valerie Harsh

PASSING OF THE PEACE/

- Rev. Beverly Sherrill Bullock

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Guest Preacher

CALL TO WORSHIP [*Responsive reading*] (Based on Luke 10:38-42)

One: Christ invites and welcomes us;

All: We come to sit at Jesus' feet.

One: There is need of only one thing:

All: Let us not be distracted during this sacred time.

* OPENING HYMN #611 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

CALL TO CONFESSION [*Pastor*]

Sin clings to us and distorts our hearing of God's Word. Therefore, let us confess our personal and communal sins to ready ourselves to receive God's truth.

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

Chris Ashby, Wayne Powers' gr.daughter, Brittany's husband (health issues)

Larry Johnson (surgery, recovering at home)

Family/friends of Bob Lee, ret. PGPD investigator (d.7/5)

ANNOUNCEMENTS – See back cover.

THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

	JULY	17	9:30a Sunday School	24
S	9:30a Sunday School 11a Worship Service & Workcamp Commissioning *Guest preacher: Rev. Beverly Sherrill Bullock		11a Worship Service ➤ 5 Cents-a-Meal Offering *Guest preacher: Rev. Dr. Errol G. Rohr	
M	12p <u>Workcamp lunch</u> 607 Columbia Rd., Petersburg (Finance Cmte./S. Shockley; subs)	18		25
T	12p <u>Workcamp lunch</u> 607 Columbia Rd., Petersburg (Worship Cmte./R. Scott;McDs)	19		26
W	12p <u>Workcamp lunch</u> 607 Columbia Rd., Petersburg Congre. Care Cmte./M. Holc; chidken)	20		27
T	6a Church cleaning 12p <u>Workcamp lunch</u> 607 Columbia Rd., Petersburg (PW/G. Cibula & S. Hunter; pizza) 2p News articles due	21	6a Church cleaning 2p Newsletter out	28
F	12p <u>Workcamp lunch</u> 607 Columbia Rd., Petersburg (Faith Cmte. & S. Hunter; tacos)	22		29
S	8:30a <u>Workcamp closing ceremony</u> Colonial Hgts. Middle School, 500 Conduit Rd., Col. Hgts.	23		30

ATTENDANCE:

WORSHIP

SUNDAY SCHOOL

	M	V	M	V
July 3, 2022	18	6	6	
July 10, 2022	16	5	4	
July 17, 2022				
July 24, 2022				
July 31, 2022				

M=Members

V=Visitors

PRAYER OF CONFESSION [In unison]

Christ our Savior, we are worried and distracted by many things. Our minds wander. Our apathy reigns. We prefer to focus on ourselves than on you. Forgive our lack of attention. Forgive us for not prioritizing you and attending to you. Humbly, we sit at your feet and ask for your grace. Amen.

(Continuing in silent personal confessions....)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON [Pastor]

Receive the forgiveness offered us in Christ. Rejoice in the redemption God provides. Amen.

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION [In unison]

Your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Guide us, Holy Spirit, through your Word read and proclaimed today. Amen.

SCRIPTURAL READINGS

Old Testament: Amos 8:1-12 p. 749-749

New Testament: Luke 10:38-42 p. 844-845

SERMON: "It Remains To Be Seen" - Rev. Beverly Sherrill 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]

COMMISSIONING OF 2022 WORKCAMPERS - Rev. Beverly Sherrill Bullock

WorkCampers: Keili Loran, Sarah Schrum, Reece Weber, Steve Robinson
Adult Leaders: Roger Weber, Valerie Harsh.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING [*Pastor*]

With glad and generous hearts, let us give from what we have received.

OFFERING, OFFERTORY

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION [*In unison*]

God, you meet our needs and transform us for service. Accept these gifts as tokens of our gratitude and bless Christ's ministry with these offerings. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER [*Responsive reading*]

One: The heavens and earth rejoice! God has raised Jesus from the dead and promised us everlasting life. Nothing can separate us from God's love in Jesus Christ. We praise you, O Holy One. We adore you. We celebrate our new life in Christ. Hear these prayers of your people for the power of resurrection to transform us and set us free.

All: In your mercy, resurrect us, O God ...

One: from pandemic exhaustion and anxiety, great resignations, political divisions, gaslighting and culture wars.

All: In your mercy, resurrect us, O God ...

One: from our tendencies to hoard and consume without thought of neighbor or planet, from our need to satisfy every craving, from our habit of stuffing ourselves beyond what is healthy or necessary.

All: In your mercy, resurrect us, O God ...

One: from our thirst for violence, our rationalization of revenge, our disbelief in peace as a pragmatic path.

All: In your mercy, resurrect us, O God ...

One: from all that lays waste to our souls, all the message that we are unworthy and incapable of becoming the people you created us to be, denying the imago Dei that sparks within.

All: In your mercy, resurrect us, O God ...

One: from doubts and depression, from hopeless despair, from overwhelming grief.

All: In your mercy, resurrect us, O God ...

One: from the social evils that plague us, the injustice of poverty, racism, transphobia, homophobia and xenophobia.

All: In your mercy, resurrect us, O God.

One: Living Christ, we praise you for opening the gates of everlasting life and leading us through the wilderness to this glorious day of hope. We are not lost. We are not alone. Alleluia and amen. Hear us now as we pray the prayer Christ taught us, "**Our Father...**"

***DEPARTING HYMN #837 "What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine"**
("Leaning on the Everlasting Arms")

***CHARGE & BLESSING** [*Pastor*]

Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed! Leave this worship a resurrected people, living into the hope of the Gospel's good news!

May the grace, hope, peace and love of God our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer be with you now and always. Amen.

***POSTLUDE**