

Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church

GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Pastor: As announced

Secretary: Nancy Adams (office@gregorymemorial.org)

Organist: Sandra Perkins Pianist: Gail Rollings

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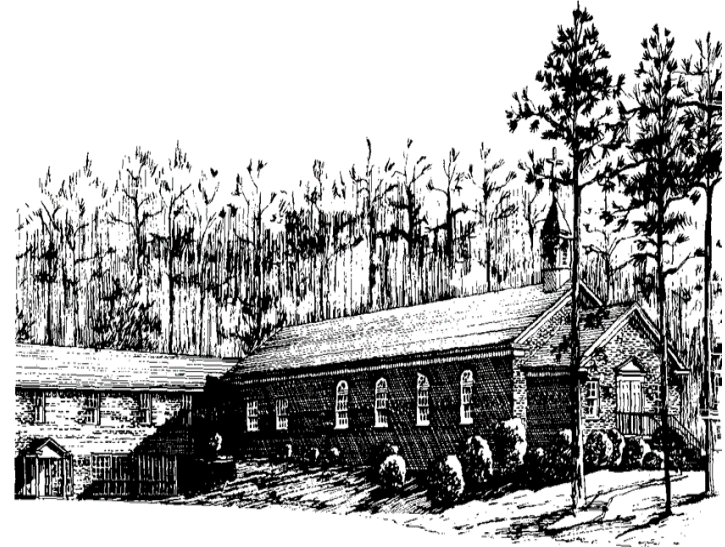
Session Members

*(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

Ron Recher (2022); Gail Rollings (2023); Donald Hunter (2024)



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 31, 2022
11:00 a.m.**

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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

Sandy Hunter

PASSING OF THE PEACE/ SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Rev. Pat Elder,
Guest Preacher

CALL TO WORSHIP [*Responsive, led by Pastor, from Isaiah 55:1-3*]

One: Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat!

All: Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.

One: Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live.

* OPENING HYMN #65 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

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 Brittney's husband (health issues)
Larry Johnson (surgery, recovering at home)

THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

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| | JULY 31 | 7 |
| S | 9:30a Sunday School 10:15a 5 th Sunday Fellowship 11a Worship Service ➤ Local Emergency Aid Offering *Guest preacher: Rev. Pat Elder 2p Cmte. reports due | 9:30a Sunday School 11a Worship Service & Holy Communion *Guest preacher: Rev. H. Carson Rhyne, Jr. |
| | AUGUST 1 | 8 |
| T | 7p Congregational Care Cmte. | 7p Faith Cmte. |
| W | | 2p Deadline for bringing donated items to church for "Back to School Fair" backpacks |
| T | 6a Church cleaning | 6a Church cleaning |
| F | | |
| S | | |

ATTENDANCE:

WORSHIP

SUNDAY SCHOOL

| | M | V | M | V |
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| July 3, 2022 | 18 | 6 | 7 | |
| July 10, 2022 | 16 | 5 | 5 | |
| July 17, 2022 | 21 | 14 | 6 | |
| July 24, 2022 | 13 | 7 | 4 | |
| July 31, 2022 | | | | |

M=Members

V=Visitors

CALL TO CONFESSION [PASTOR]

PRAYER OF CONFESSION [In unison]

Merciful God, you give us chance after chance to do right and bear good fruit. But we continue to stray from your path of righteousness, losing ourselves in the wilderness of sin. Gracious God, return us to you this Lent. Receive us. Redeem us. Transform us into the disciples you deserve. Amen.

(Continuing in silent personal confessions....)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON [PASTOR]

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN #581 "Glory Be to the Father"**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION [In unison]

Holy God, humble us and open us to your life-giving Word. As we hear your Word read and proclaimed today, may our hearts and minds be open to the Spirit's moving and Jesus' teaching. Amen.

SCRIPTURAL READINGS

Old Testament Lesson: Exodus 20:2-7 p. 58

New Testament Lesson: Mark 12:28-31 p. 825

SERMON: "The Life We Live" Rev. Pat Elder

CALL FOR THE OFFERING [PASTOR]

OFFERING, OFFERTORY

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

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]

PRAYER OF DEDICATION *[In unison]*

We have been called to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. Let us return a portion of the gifts we have been given to Christ's ministry and those most in need.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER *[Pastor offers prayers]*

Congregation response: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers."

Pastor: "We join with Christians everywhere, praying as Christ taught us, by saying, "Our Father..."

*DEPARTING HYMN #269 "Lead On, O King Eternal!"

CHARGE & BLESSING *[Pastor]*

*POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome the Rev. Pat Elder 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: Rev. Pat Elder

Next Sunday's (Aug. 1) guest preacher - Rev. H. Carson Rhyne, Jr.

Presbyterian Women – No meeting in August.

Back to School Fair – Saturday, Aug. 18: Filled Backpacks are needed! Flyers are on Narthex table. **Deadline for bringing donated items to the church is 2 p.m. on Wednesday, August 10.**

"National Night Out" Festivities - This event (usually held on 2nd Tuesday of Aug.) will be observed in Gregory Memorial's parking lot in October. Details TBA.

Newsletter articles are needed! We've had some good lead newsletter stories and have now run out. If you have an article you'd like to share, please leave it in Nancy's office door mailbox, or email it to: office@gregorymemorial.org

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