

# Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church

## GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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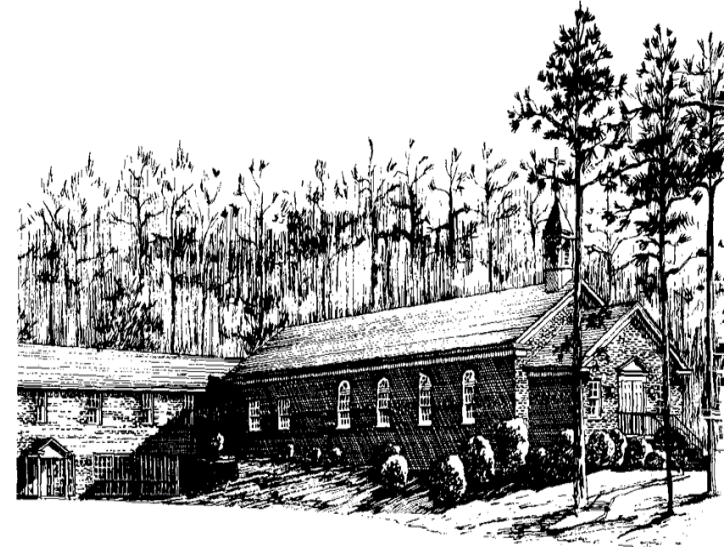
### Session Members

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**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**

**August 7, 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. H. Carson Rhyne, Jr.

### SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Guest Preacher

### CALL TO WORSHIP [*Responsive; based on Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16*]

One: Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the convictions of things not seen.

**All: Like Abraham, let us follow God, even when we don't know where we are going.**

One: By faith, let us look forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God.

**All: Let us worship the God whose promises call and claim us.**

\* OPENING HYMN #175 "Seek Ye First"

## 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**

AUGUST		7	14
S	<b>9:30a</b> Sunday School  <b>11a</b> Worship Service & Holy Communion  *Guest preacher: Rev. H. Carson Rhyne, Jr.	<b>9:30a</b> Sunday School  <b>11a</b> Worship Service  *Guest preacher: Rev. Sylvester H. Bullock  <b>12p</b> Stated Session Meeting Moderator: Rev. Bullock	
		8	15
T	<b>7p</b> Faith Cmte.	9	16
W	<b>2p</b> Deadline for bringing donated items to church for "Back to School Fair" backpacks	10	17
T	<b>6a</b> Church cleaning	11	18
F		12	19
S		13	20

**ATTENDANCE:**

**WORSHIP**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

	M	V	M	V
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	25	12	8	

M=Members

V=Visitors

**CALL TO CONFESSION [PASTOR]**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION [In unison]**

God of Hope and Promise, we confess we do not always believe. We confess our questions and complaints catch up to us. We cannot understand our suffering and the suffering of others. Forgive us when we give up on you and ourselves. Return and restore us to right relationship. Help us to not disengage but remain steadfast in faithful dialogues of grace. Amen.

*(Continuing in silent personal confessions....)*

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON [PASTOR]**

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

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION [In unison]**

Your Word guides every step of our journey, God. Help us be attentive to your Word that is read and proclaimed today, so we may hear your message and act according to your will. Amen.

**SCRIPTURAL READINGS**

Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 85 p. 473

New Testament Lesson: Luke 11: 1-13 p. 845

**SERMON:** "A Friend in Need Is a Friend, Indeed?"

Rev. H. Carson Rhyne, Jr.

**\*REFLECTIVE HYMN #223 – "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"**

## **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]***

### **OFFERING, OFFERTORY**

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

### **PRAYER OF DEDICATION *[In unison]***

God of abundance, everything we have is on loan from you. Help us be good stewards of all your precious resources. Bless these gifts we give in return that they might, in turn, be a blessing to others. Amen.

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, CONCLUDING WITH LORD'S PRAYER**

*[Responsive; Pastor prays, each prayer ending in "Lord, in your mercy..."]*

**All: Hear our prayers.**

### **INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE**

*[The Sacrament of Holy Communion - See insert]*

\***DEPARTING HYMN #465 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"**

### **CHARGE & BENEDICTION *[Pastor]***

\***POSTLUDE**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**We welcome the Rev. H. Carson Rhyne, Jr., back to our pulpit!**

### **August's Guest Preachers:**

**August 7: Rev. H. Carson Rhyne, Jr.**

August 14: Rev. Sylvester H. Bullock; Stated Session Mtg. Moderator

August 21: Rev. Pat Elder

August 28: Rev. Dr. Charles Bagwell

**Deadline for bringing donated Back to School backpack items to church - Wednesday, Aug. 10.** "Back to School Fair" at Scott Park is Saturday, Aug. 18 from 4 p.m. – 7 p.m. Shopping list for needed items is on Narthex table, also in the August newsletter and may be downloaded from the church website: [www.gregorymemorial.org](http://www.gregorymemorial.org)

**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](mailto:office@gregorymemorial.org)

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*Resource:* "Apostles' Creed", BOOK OF ORDER, PC (USA)