

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome Barbara Chalfant, Presbyter for Congregational Life - Presbytery of the James, to our pulpit! Barbara guides and equips presbytery members and ministries in exploring new opportunities for enriching congregational life. She also serves as staff liaison to the Committee on Nominations, the Committee on Representation and the Youth Council. A graduate of Union Presbyterian Seminary and a certified Christian educator, Barbara has served congregations in Pennsylvania, Tennessee, and Virginia. Prior to joining the staff of Presbytery of the James, Barbara was associate for missions for Presbytery of West Virginia where she worked with ministries involved in peacemaking, social justice, hunger action, disaster response, and serving older adults.

October's Guest Preachers:

October 2: Rev. Dr. Errol G. Rohr

October 9: Barbara Chalfant

October 16: Rev. Dr. Shelly Barrick Parsons

October 23: Rev. Charles Philips

October 30: TBA

Circle – Tuesday, October 11, 1:00 p.m.; location: TBA

Stated Session Meeting – Sunday, October 16, 12 p.m., after worship service. Moderated by Dr. Shelly Barrick Parsons.

Donation for CCHASM Thanksgiving Meals – Sunday, October 16 -This year the Faith Committee is supporting CCHASM Alliance for Social Ministry that will be providing Thanksgiving Meal Packages to those in need from Chesterfield, Colonial Heights, Dinwiddie, Hopewell, Petersburg and Prince George. An envelope will be included in the October 16 bulletin so that your donation may be made at that time. If making a donation by check, it is asked that you make the check payable to Gregory Memorial. It is the hope of the Faith Committee that our donation can help this reputable organization brighten the Thanksgiving holiday for many people in our area.

Dinner and a Movie – Wednesday, October 26: The Faith Committee will be showing the movie, "David", from the amazing performances by the Sight and Sound Theater. A Hot Dog Dinner is planned. Be sure to mark your calendar and come join us for food, fellowship and fun!! Dinner will be at 6 p.m., and the movie will follow at 6:30 p.m. (approx.) ***Feel free to bring a guest!***

GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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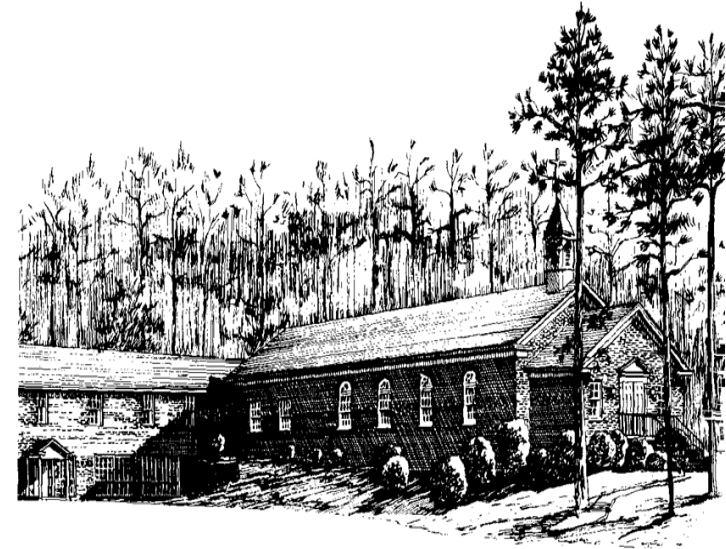
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Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church



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

**OCTOBER 9, 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 Rose Scott

PASSING OF THE PEACE/SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS Barbara Chalfant
Guest Preacher

CALL TO WORSHIP [*Responsive; Ps. 66:1-5, 8-9*]

One: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; Sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise. Say to God:

All: "How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you. All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you, sing praises to your name."

One: Come and see what God has done: He is awesome in his deeds among mortals.

All: Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard, who has kept us among the living, and has not let our feet slip.

* OPENING HYMN #451 "Open My Eyes, That I May See"

* *Please stand, as able.*

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 & Dennis 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)
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)
Charlie Perkins (health issue)
Chris Ashby, Wayne Powers' gr.daughter Brittney's husband (health issues)
Larry Johnson (recovering at home from surgery)
Judy Recher (problem with knee)
Barbara Taliaferro (recov, surgery, Encompass Rehabilitation Hospital)
Family/friends of Kenny Overstreet (d. 9/22)
Ruth Figg (recov. surgery, MCV)

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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 OFFERING [Pastor; from Luke 17:15-16]

Luke tells us, "Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him." So let us also return and give thanks, presenting a portion of what we have received from the generous hand of the Lord for God's own work.

OFFERING, OFFERTORY

*** DOXOLOGY HYMN #606 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION [In unison; from 2 Tim. 2:15; Luke 17:15-16]

Christ Jesus, Author of our Salvation, we present ourselves to you as your workers, and we present our gifts and goods to you for your work, with praise on our lips and thanks in our hearts. Amen.

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

One: Lord God, to whom we give our praise and thanks, We know you do not leave those suffering disaster alone and bereft. We remember the places struggling to survive disasters: those suffering, injured and dying in the war in Ukraine; those in Puerto Rico, Cuba and Florida, and others who have suffered the devastating destruction of hurricanes; those still suffering the after-effects of the flooding in Pakistan; those in Jackson, Mississippi, and everywhere at home and abroad who do not have safe drinking water; those suffering and dying in the heat waves which continue to hit across the northern hemisphere; [Do not forsake them, but speak into these circumstances of suffering your word of hope, word of comfort, and word of life.

All: Lord, we seek and pray for your shalom, peace and prosperity for all the earth.

One: We remember the leaders of our state and communities, grant them a spirit of courage, and faithfulness, that they may work for the shalom of all those they serve. We remember first responders and all those bringing aid, support, and comfort to places of destruction and crisis, grant them your strength, and be present in their work.

All: Lord, we seek and pray for your shalom, peace and prosperity for all the earth.

One: We remember those who suffer in body and mind: those discouraged or in pain, those oppressed or in need, those waiting and keeping watch, calling on you for healing for themselves or their loved ones.

All: Lord, we seek and pray for your shalom, peace and prosperity for all the earth.

One: We remember all the saints who have gone before us, our loved ones who have died, and we trust will live with you. Make us also your workers unashamed of your truth. And we pray as Christ taught us, "**Our Father...**"

***DEPARTING HYMN #542 "God Be with You Till We Meet Again"**

***CHARGE & BENEDICTION [Pastor; from 2 Tim. 2:12; Jer. 29:7]**

May God empower you to endure and to pray for and seek the shalom, the peace and prosperity, of your community and all the earth. Go forth this week, children of God, as workers for the one who saves: God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit — the Mother, Master and Mover of us all. Amen.

***POSTLUDE**

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