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To the Saints and Friends of Gregory Memorial:

A CHILD/TEEN OF THE SIXTIES

Did you grow up in the 60's?

What was it like growing up in the 1960's? Were you there? Can you remember it if you were there? Do you have lots of really cool memories of how much fun it was to be a kid growing up in the nineteen sixties?

If You Were a Child/Teen in the 1960's:

Looking back, it's hard to believe that we have lived as long as we have....after living through all we did

As children, we would ride in cars with no seat belts or air bags. Remember how "Sis" or "Junior" would hang out the car window and got their hind-parts tanned by Daddy for it? Riding in the back of a pickup truck on a warm day was always a special treat. Remember hangin' off the sides?

Our baby cribs were covered with bright-colored leadbased paint that we cut our first teeth on. We had no childproof lids on medicine bottles, doors, or cabinets, and when we rode our bikes, we had no helmets. (*Not to mention hitchhiking to town as a young kid. Yikes!*)

We played dodge ball and sometimes that ball would really hurt! Boohoo! We would spend hours building our go-carts out of scraps and then rode down the hill, only to find out we forgot the brakes. After running into the bushes a few times we learned to solve the problem.

We would leave home in the morning to play all day, as long as we were back when the streetlights came on and no one could reach us all day. No cell phones. *Unthinkable!* Imagine such a thing. Without asking a parent! All by ourselves! Out there in the cold cruel world! Without a guardian. How ever did we do it?

Remember accidents?

We got cut and broke bones and broke teeth and there were no lawsuits from these accidents. They were *accidents*. No one was to blame but us. We had fights and punched each other, got black and blue and learned to get over it, and hopefully we learned our lesson.

As a Child/Teen in the 1960's:

We ate cupcakes, bread and butter, and drank sugared soda but we were never overweight......we were always outside playing. We drank water from the garden hose and not from a bottle.... *EUW*! Remember sharing 1 grape soda with four friends, from one bottle, and how no one died from this?

We did not have Play Stations, Nintendo 64, X Boxes, video games at all, 500+ channels via satellite TV, video tape movies, surround sound, personal cellular phones, personal Computers, Internet chat rooms, etc., we had friends! We went outside and found them. We rode bikes or walked to a friend's home and knocked on the door, or rang the bell or just walked in and talked to them.

We made up games with sticks and tennis balls and ate worms, and although we were told it would happen, we did not put out very many eyes, nor did the worms live inside us forever.

Little League had tryouts and not everyone made the team. Those who didn't had to learn to deal with disappointment, and they moved on. *It built character!*

Some students weren't as smart as others, so they failed a grade and were held back to repeat the same gradeHorrors! Tests were not adjusted for any reason. *No curved scale!* Our actions were our own. Consequences were expected. No one to hide behind.

The idea of a parent bailing us out if we broke a law was unheard of. *They actually sided with the law, imagine that!* This generation has produced some of the best risk-takers and problem solvers and inventors, ever.

The past 60 years has been an explosion of innovation and new ideas. We've had freedom, failure, success and responsibility. If you're one of <u>them</u>...**Congratulations!**

<u>Source</u>: "Child of the 60's" extract from 'Child of the 60's: A Day in the Life", author Craig J. Carrozzi.

If you have an article or story you'd like to share, email it to: office@gregorymemorial.org

WORSHIP INFORMATION FOR MAY, 2024

Sunday, 5 May, 2024

"6th Sunday of Easter" – Liturgical Color: White Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Katherine C. Jackson

Sunday, 12 May, 2024

"7th Sunday of Easter" – Liturgical Color: White Guest Preacher: Rev. Marvin Daniel

Sunday, 19 May, 2024

"Day of Pentecost" – Liturgical Color: Red Guest Preacher: Rev. Marvin Daniel

Sunday, 26 May, 2024

"Trinity Sunday" – Liturgical Color: White Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Katherine C. Jackson



OUR PRAYER IN TIMES OF JOY AND CONCERN...One of our great joys and responsibilities to each other and to God here at Gregory Memorial is the regular practice of praying for each other and our community. Please let the church office know if any updates to this list are needed.

Those affected by Baltimore MD bridge disaster	Charlie Perkins (health issue)
First-responders, world-wide	Paula McDaniel, Pam Elder's sister (health issue)
Our deployed U.S. service personnel & their families	Grace Cibula (recovering at home; health issues)
Families, persons, communities affected by weather disasters	Moneka Suprenant, Susan Shockley's & Sandy Eickmeyer's
& gun violence	friend (brain injury)
Those affected by the Israeli-Hamas War in Gaza	John Carl Allen (recovering, orthopedic surgery)
People & Sovereign Country of Ukraine; Russian citizens	Mary Kay & Mike Schroeter (health issues)
conscripted into war	Dr. Joseph Hillier of Matoaca (dentist, ret.), Lykins family friend
Those in our community suffering from illness/loss/grief/hardship	(recovering from fall)
Amy Townson, Josh Ingram's sister	Alex Courtney of Florence, SC, business associate of Dianna L.
Becky Scott Smith	Flaherty, Mary Lykins' daughter (injured, vehicle accident)
Russell Heiser, Ingrid Phoenix's grandson (health issues)	Peggy & Dennis Allen (health issues; Peggy: Petersburg
Butch Meade, Glenda Mayhew's brother	Home for Ladies, Rm #18)
Verne & Clara Smith	Corey Whelan, Pat Hunter's grandson (on-going health issue)
Eddie Frankenstein	Judy Recher (health issue)
Etta Holc	Shirley MacNeill (health issues; recovering at home)
Jerry & Ruby Hasky (health issues)	Valerie Harsh, living in Staunton, VA (health issue)
Lee Harsh, Valerie Harsh's brother-in-law (health issue)	Sean Godwin, grandson of Bill & Cheryl Godwin
Larry Brown of Chesterfield, Larry Johnson's friend (health issue)	(health issue: MCV-Massey)
Billy Hudson, friend of Dianna L. Flaherty, Mary Lykins' daughter	Valerie Harsh, living in Staunton, VA (health issue)
Emily Henry, Mary Holc's sister (health issue)	Sean Godwin, grandson of Bill & Cheryl Godwin
Renee' Renier, Diana Flaherty's long-time friend (health issue)	(health issue: MCV-Massey)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COPIES OF "THESE DAYS" (APRIL- JUNE) are available in the Narthex. Free copies are provided to Gregory's congregation. For some daily inspirational reading, be sure to pick up your copy today while supply lasts!

STATED SESSION MEETING – 12 p.m. (est.) after worship service on Sunday, May 19; Rev. Marvin Daniel, Moderator.

HOLY COMMUNION SCHEDULE FOR 2024

March 4, 2024	June 9, 2024	October 13, 2024
April 7, 2024	August 4, 2024	December 1, 2024

ANNOUNCERS FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

May 5	May 12	May 19	May 26
Larry Johnson	Susan Shockley	Rose Scott	Donald Hunter

IT'S OPEN TO INTERPRETATION...

A father was reading Bible stories to his young son. He read, "The man named Lot was warned to take his wife and flee out of the city, but his wife looked back and was turned into a pillar of salt."

His son asked, "What happened to the flea?"

A Sunday school teacher said to her children, "We have been learning about how powerful the kings and queens were in Biblical times. But there is a higher power. Who can tell me what it is?" Tommy blurted out, "I know...<u>Aces!</u>"

After explaining the commandment to honor your father and mother, a Sunday school teacher asked her class if there was a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and

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sisters.

One boy, the oldest in his family, immediately answered, "Thou shalt not kill!"



Another teacher was testing the children in her Sunday school class to see if they understood the concept of getting to heaven.

She asked them, "If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage

sale and gave all my money to the church, would that get me into Heaven?"

"NO!" the children shouted. "If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the yard, and kept everything neat and tidy, would that get me into Heaven?"

Again, the answer was, "NO!" Now she was smiling. Hey, they're really getting it, she thought! "Well, then, if I was kind to animals and gave candy to all the children, and loved my husband, would that get me into Heaven?" she asked.

Again, they all answered, "NO!" She was just bursting with pride for them. "Well," she continued, "then how can I get into Heaven?" A five-year-old boy shouted out, "FIRST, YOU GOTTA BE DEAD!"

MAY, 2024									
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat			
No Worship Cmte meeting			1	2 6a Clean church 6p BSA Cub Pack 910 (Fellowship Hall, multiple rooms)	3	4			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11			
9:30a Sunday Sch. 11a Worship serv. Guest preacher:			7p Faith Cmte	6a Clean church					
Rev. Dr. Katherine C. Jackson 12 Mother's Day	13	14	15	16	17	18			
9:30a Sunday Sch. 11a Worship serv. Guest preacher: Rev. Marvin Daniel	 6p BSA Tr900 Cyberbully/ I'net Security class (Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall) 6p BSA Crater Dist. Order of Arrow (Fellowship Hall, multiple rooms) 	 1p Circle meets at Grace Cibula's 7p Finance Cmte 	6p-9p BSA Eagle Court of Honor: (Philpot)	 6a Clean church 2p News articles due 6p BSA Cub Pack 910 (Fellowship Hall, multiple rooms) 					
 19 Day of Pentecost 9:30a Sunday Sch. 11a Worship serv. Guest preacher: Rev. Marvin Daniel 12p Stated Session Meeting Moderator: Rev. Daniel 	20	21 6p GSA Tr5000 (Fellowship Hall, multiple rooms)	22	23 6a Clean church 2p Newsletter out	24	25			
 26 Trinity Sunday 9:30a Sunday Sch. 11a Worship serv. 5 Cents-a- Meal Offering Pentecost Offering Guest preacher: Rev. Dr. Katherine C. Jackson 	27 Memorial Day	28	29	30 6a Clean church	31 2p Cmte reports due				

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