

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER (Pastor leads)

One: Almighty God, you rule all the peoples of the earth.

**All: Inspire the minds of all women and men to whom
you have committed the responsibility of government
and leadership in the nations of the world.**

One: Give to them the vision of truth and justice,
that by their counsel all nations and peoples may work together.

**All: Give to the people of our country zeal for justice
and strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty
in accordance with your gracious will.**

One: Forgive our shortcomings as a nation; purify our hearts to see
and love the truth. We pray all these things through Jesus Christ,
who taught his disciples to pray together

All: “Our Father, who art in heaven ...”

FOLDING OF THE FLAG CEREMONY Pastor & BSA Troop 900

***DEPARTING HYMN # 331 “God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand”**

***POSTLUDE**

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GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



SUNDAY, JULY 6, 2025

11:00 A.M.

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PRELUDE

Sandra Perkins, Organist & Gail Hare, Pianist

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

Patsy Johnson

ACOLYTE

Wayne Powers

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS & CONCERNS

Rose Scott

***POSTING OF THE COLORS**

BSA Troop 900

***PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

BSA Troop 900

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Rev. Dr. Katherine “KC” Jackson

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

One: With glad and grateful hearts,

All: With thanksgiving,

One: Flowing from sea to shining sea,

All: We gather this day to sing a song of praise to God

One: For our country, for our world, for peace.

***OPENING HYMN # 337 “My Country, ‘Tis of Thee”**

CALL TO CONFESSION (Pastor)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION¹ (Unison) *(Based on Isaiah 2:4-5)*

Eternal God, before you nations rise and fall. Help us to repent our country’s wrong, and to choose your way of reunion and renewal. Great God, renew this nation.

Teach us peace, that we may plow up battlefields and pound weapons into building tools, and learn to talk across old boundaries as brothers and sisters in your love. Great God, renew this nation.

Talk sense to us, so that we may wisely end all prejudices, and may put a stop to injustice and cruelty, which divides or wounds the human family. Great God, renew this nation.

Draw us together as one people who do your will, so that we may be a light to our nation, leading the way to your promised kingdom, which is even now coming among us. Great God, renew this nation.

Great God, eternal Lord, show us there is no law or liberty apart from you; and let us serve you whole-heartedly, as your devoted followers, through Christ our Lord.

[Pause for a moment of silent confession]

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Unison)

Rejoice! The kingdom of God has come near to us!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, redeemed and strengthened for the journey. Amen.

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

***PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION [In unison]**

Holy God, we listen for you in wind, earthquake and fire, but you are not there.

Unexpectedly, out of the silence you speak. By the power of your Spirit, silence in us all the storms, doubts and fears that deafen us to what you have to say.

Instead, create in us a quiet center from which we will do the hard and expectant work of listening. Amen.

TIME FOR CHILDREN

SCRIPTURE READING *(Holy Bible, NRSV Trans.)*

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Luke 10:1-11

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Do we need another hero?”

***REFLECTIVE HYMN 69**

“Here I Am, Lord”

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

“The Apostles’ Creed”

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.

***HYMN OF DEDICATION # 678 “Take, O Take Me as I Am”**

(Sing Twice)

CALL FOR OFFERING (Pastor)

OFFERING & OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY # 698 “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Unison)**

In giving our time, talent & treasures to you, O God, we show that we are not just believers in Jesus but followers of Christ. Accept these gifts and use them to minister to people we would not otherwise meet, and to bring love, joy and peace to places we would not otherwise go.

In the name of our Lord, we pray. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**We welcome Rev. Dr. Katherine C. Jackson back
to Gregory Memorial’s pulpit today!**

July Chimes, Acolyte, Preachers, Announcers* (*Readers, if requested):

Chimes: Patsy Johnson Acolyte: Wayne Powers

July 6: Rev. Dr. K. C. Jackson; R. Scott, Announcer

July 13: Rev. Marvin Daniel; D. Hunter, Announcer

July 20: Rev. Marvin Daniel; P. Johnson, Announcer

July 27: Rev. Dr. Kerry Foster; S. Hunter, Announcer

**Called Congregation Meeting – after worship service on Sunday, July 13:
Meeting is called for the purpose of electing members
of the 2025 Congregation Nominating Committee.**

THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

- Sun., July 6 “4th Sunday after Pentecost”**
9:30a Sunday School
11a Worship Service by Rev. Dr. K.C. Jackson
- Wed., July 9 6p Faith Committee**
- Thurs., July 10 6a Clean Church**
- Sat., July 12 8-9p PG Study Group AA (Fellowship Hall)**
- Sun., July 13 “5th Sunday after Pentecost”**
9:30a Sunday School
11a Worship Service by Rev. Marvin Daniel
12p Called Congregation Mtg
(Election of members to CNC)
- Thurs., July 17 6a Clean Church**
NEWS ARTICLES FOR AUGUST ARE DUE
- Sat., July 19 8-9p PG Study Group AA (Fellowship Hall)**