

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**We welcome the Rev. Nancy S. Clark back to our pulpit today!**

June Guest Preachers:

**June 2: Rev. Nancy S. Clark; P. Johnson, Announcer**

June 9: Rev. Marvin Daniel; S. Hunter, Announcer

June 16 – “Father’s Day:” Rev. Nancy S. Clark; L. Johnson, Announcer

June 23 – “Sunday at the Park”: Rev. Marvin Daniel; S. Shockley, Announcer

June 30: TBA; R. Scott, Announcer

**Church office will be closed on Tuesday-Thursday (June 4-6)** while the Secretary is away. Requests will be handled via Call-forwarding and emails.

**Faith Committee** – June meeting moved to 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 15, at Sandy Hunter’s; drivers will begin church Shut-In Meal deliveries.

**“Sunday at the Park” – June 23 at 11 a.m.:** No Sunday School; Worship will be held in the Pavilion at Scott Park (6680 Courthouse Road in Prince George), followed by covered-dish picnic lunch. Church to provide fried chicken and beverage; congregation to provide sides and desserts. Plan to attend this fellowship gathering! *Dress comfortably for rustic seating around picnic tables.* Guest preacher: Rev. Marvin Daniel.

**Circle** - Studies have been completed. No meeting until September.

**Session** – No June meeting; next Stated Session meeting: Sunday, July 21.

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### GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Telephone: 804.732.1081 - Office Hours: Tues.-Thurs., 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Pastor: As announced  
Secretary: Nancy Adams (office@gregorymemorial.org)  
Organist: Sandra Perkins Pianist: Gail Hare  
Treasurer: Susan Shockley Financial Sec.: Sandy Hunter

#### Session Members

*(Term = 3 yrs.; \* indicates a partial term)*

Rose Scott (2024); Blake Bishop\* (2024); Susan Shockley (2024)  
Doug Holc (2025); David Johnson (2025); Patsy Johnson (2025)  
Mary Holc (2026); Sandy Hunter (2026); William Shill (2026)  
Donald Hunter (Clerk of Session (2024)

#### Trustees

Donald Hunter (2024); Ron Recher (2025); Gail Hare (2026)

## 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*

**“2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST”**

**JUNE 2, 2024  
11:00 a.m.**

# GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

“2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST”

JUNE 2, 2024

11:00 a.m.

**PRELUDE** Sandra Perkins, Organist  
Gail Hare, Pianist

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS/  
SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS** Patsy Johnson

**PASSING OF THE PEACE** Rev. Nancy S. Clark  
Guest Preacher

## CALL TO WORSHIP [*Responsive reading; Psalm 139:1-10; 13-15<sup>1</sup>*]

One: O Lord, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.

**All: You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.**

One: Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely. You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

**All: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.**

One: Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there. If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,

**All: even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast.**

One: For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

**All: I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.**

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*\*Please stand, as able.*

## OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS

First-responders, world-wide  
Our deployed U.S. service personnel & their families  
All affected by the Israeli-Gaza Strip war  
People & Sovereign Country of Ukraine; Russian citizens conscripted into war  
Families, persons, communities affected by weather disasters & gun violence  
Those in our community suffering from illness/loss/grief/hardship  
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  
Eddie Frankenstein  
Etta Holc  
Jerry & Ruby Hasky (health issues)  
Lee Harsh, Valerie Harsh's brother-in-law (health issue)  
Larry Brown of Chesterfield, Larry Johnson's friend (health issue)  
Billy Hudson, friend of Dianna L. Flaherty, Mary Lykins' daughter  
Renee' Renier, Diana Flaherty's long-time friend (health issue)  
Emily Henry, Mary Holc's sister (health issue)  
Charlie Perkins (health issue)  
Paula McDaniel, Pam Elder's sister (health issue)  
Grace Cibula (health issue; recovering at home)  
Moneka Suprenant, Susan Shockley's & Sandy Eickmeyer's friend (brain injury)  
John Carl Allen (recovering, orthopedic surgery)  
Mary Kay & Mike Schroeter (health issues)  
Dr. Joseph Hillier of Matoaca, Lykins family friend (health issue)  
Peggy & Dennis Allen (health issues; Peggy: Petersburg Home for Ladies, Rm #18)  
Corey Whelan, Pat Hunter's grandson (on-going health issue)  
Judy Recher (health issue)  
Shirley MacNeill (health issues; recovering at home)  
Valerie Harsh, living in Staunton, VA (health issue)  
Sean Godwin, grandson of Bill & Cheryl Godwin (health issue: MCV-Massey)  
Marty Mann, brother-in-law of Donald Hunter & Pat Hunter (health issues)

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**THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY**

	JUNE 2	JUNE 9
S	<b>"2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost"</b> 9:30a Sunday School 11a Worship Service & Holy Communion Guest preacher: Rev. Nancy S. Clark	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b> 9:30a Sunday School 11a Worship Service Guest preacher: Rev. Marvin Daniel
M	1p Worship Cmte 3	6p BSA Crater Order of Arrow (Fellowship Hall, multiple rooms) 10
T	<u>Office closed</u> 4	7p Finance Cmte 11
W	<u>Office closed</u> 5	12
T	<u>Office closed</u> 6 6a Clean church	6a Clean church 13
F	7	14
S	8	10a Faith Cmte (S. Hunter's); drivers begin meal delivery to church's Shut-Ins 15

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	M	V	M	V
May 5, 2024	18	10	8	
May 12, 2024	25	8	11	
May 19, 2024	23	13	11	
May 26, 2024	22	29	10	

M=Members V=Visitors

**\*OPENING HYMN #321 "The Church's One Foundation"**

**CALL TO CONFESSION [Pastor]**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION [In unison; Book of Common Worship<sup>2</sup>]**

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

[Pause for a moment of silent confession.]

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON [Responsive]**

One: We belong to God. We belong to each other. God does not look at us and see only sin; God sees belovedness.

**All: Believe that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven, in ways we may never fully understand. This is good news.**

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

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

Holy God, as a deep breath fills our lungs with air, so fill us with your Spirit as we hear your Word this day. Ground us in your love, convict us with your truth, and move us to respond, that we may embody your good news in all we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

**SCRIPTURE READING [Holy Bible, NRSV Trans.]** 1 Samuel 3:1-10; 19-21

**SERMON** "Courage to Listen; Courage to Tell" Rev. Nancy S. Clark

**\*REFLECTIVE HYMN #69 "I, the Lord of Sea and Sky" ('Here I Am , Lord")**

### **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH [In unison; Apostle's Creed<sup>3</sup>]**

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.

### **CALL FOR OFFERING [Pastor]**

We believe in a God who provides abundantly for our needs. In gratitude, let us share a portion of what we have been given, for the work of this community and the benefit of our neighbors.

### **OFFERING, OFFERTORY**

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

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

Provider God, take these offerings we give today and use them to meet the needs of those around us. May our work and witness reflect our belief in your compassionate care for all you have created. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER [Pastor leads...]**

**One:** God of grace, we thank you for the gift of Sabbath rest. You have not created us for endless labor but have, instead, created us in your image. You created the world and called it good, and you give us the power to create beauty, too. You fashioned the world for love, and you call us into the work of love, too. You rested on the seventh day, and you invite us to rest, too. Help us to accept the good gifts you offer to us. Teach us to resist the temptations of our productivity-obsessed culture. Give us the grace to close our laptops, turn off our phones and make time for connection, for wonder, for joy.

**All: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers.**

**One:** We pray, too, for your overworked creation, Sovereign God. Remind us of your commandment not only to let ourselves rest, but to let the Earth rest, as well. Curb our greed and teach us to reduce our consumption, that the ecosystems you have created would have the chance to flourish alongside the human beings you have created. Make us partners in your healing work, Lord. Make us instruments of your peace and bearers of compassion.

**All: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers.**

**One:** Lord of all, we pray for the church in this place and in every place. Fill us with deep and holy joy, that we might reflect your goodness to the world around us. May we join you in drawing the whole creation into your divine rhythms of work and rest. We ask these things in Christ's name, and together we pray as he taught us:  
**"Our Father ...."**

### **CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

**[Please refer to insert: "Invitation to the Lord's Table"]**

**\*DEPARTING HYMN #353 "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"**

### **\*CHARGE & BLESSING [Pastor]**

### **\*POSTLUDE**

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**Resource:** <sup>2</sup>Confession #1, p. 53, *Book of Confessions* © 1993 Westminster John Knox Press.

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