

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome the Rev. Marvin Daniel back to our pulpit today!

August Guest Preachers:

August 4 (Holy Communion): Rev. Marvin Daniel; S. Shockley, Announcer

August 11: Rev. Marvin Daniel; R. Scott, Announcer

August 18: Rev. Wendel Gouldman; Rose Scott, Announcer

August 25: Rev. John Scholer; P. Johnson, Announcer

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Saturday, September 7 (5 PM – 7 PM): “Return to Church” Celebration!

We are having a Potluck Dinner with special music entertainment in the Fellowship Hall. Please plan to bring your tastiest dishes and desserts!

GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Pastor: As announced

Secretary: Nancy Adams (office@gregorymemorial.org)

Organist: Sandra Perkins Pianist: Gail Hare

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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

AUGUST 11, 2024

11:00 a.m.

GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Sandra Perkins, Organist
Gail Hare, Pianist

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS/
SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS** Rose Scott

PASSING OF THE PEACE Rev. Marvin Daniel
Guest Preacher

CALL TO WORSHIP [*Responsive reading; based on John 6:35*]

One: Jesus says, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

All: **Savior God, we come to you hungry and thirsty, grateful for the sustenance you provide.**

***OPENING HYMN # 667 When Morning Gilds the Skies**

CALL TO CONFESSION [*Pastor*]

Our sins and shortcomings are not permanent obstacles to God. Grace and forgiveness are freely given. Let us take this opportunity to humbly approach our God and confess our sins.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION [*In unison*]

Christ calls us to stand with the least and the last, but we cling to power and privilege. We fear worldly consequences for faithful action. We fail to follow where Christ leads, making excuses for ourselves, for our silence in the face of oppression, for our lack of action. Forgive us, God, and help us risk following where Christ calls. Amen.

[Pause for a moment of silent confession.]

***Please stand, as able.**

OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS

First-responders, world-wide
Our deployed U.S. service personnel & their families
Families, persons, communities affected by weather disasters & gun violence
All families affected by the Israeli-Gaza Strip war
People & Sovereign Country of Ukraine; Russian citizens conscripted into war
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
Evelyn Foster
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)
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)
Grace Cibula (health issue; rehabbing at Lucy Corr, Room 119)
Tara Foster (recov. hip surgery)
Sarah Solesbee, Tara Foster's mom, (recov. knee surgery)

ANNOUNCEMENTS ... See back page.

THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY

	AUGUST 11	AUGUST 18
S	12th Sunday after Pentecost 9:30a Sunday School 11a Worship Service Guest preacher: Rev. Marvin Daniel 12p Stated Session Meeting Moderator: Rev. Daniel	13th Sunday after Pentecost 9:30a Sunday School 11a Worship Service Guest preacher: Rev. Wendel Gouldman
	M	6:30p BSA Order of Arrow, Ch. 19 (Fellowship Hall: multiple rooms)
T	7p Finance Cmte 7p Faith Cmte	20
W	6:30p BSA Tr 900 Eagle Board Training (Fellowship Hall: multiple rooms)	21
T	6a Clean church	22
F		23
S	8p-9p PG Study Group AA meeting (Fellowship Hall, Kitchen, Meeting/Dining Room)	8p-9p PG Study Group AA meeting (Fellowship Hall, Kitchen, Meeting/Dining Room)

Worship Attendance	M	V	M	V
August 4, 2024	23	9	12	
August 11, 2024				
August 18, 2024				
August 25, 2024				

M=Members V=Visitors

ASSURANCE OF PARDON [Pastor]

God's love is sure and steadfast. Receive the good news that you are forgiven and return to right relationship with God. Amen.

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

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

Open our ears and humble our hearts as we approach your Word as read and proclaimed today, Great God. May we listen, discern and follow the path you intend for us. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING [Holy Bible, NRSV Trans.]

Old Testament: 2nd Samuel 18: 5-9; 15 p. 255 Reader: R. Scott
 New Testament: Ephesians 4:25-5:2 p. 951

SERMON "Our Christian Lives" Rev. Marvin Daniel

***REFLECTIVE HYMN # 39 "Great is Thy Faithfulness"**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH [In unison; Apostle's 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.

CALL FOR OFFERING [Pastor; Luke 12:48]

“From everyone to whom much has been given, much will be required.” Let us present our tithes and offerings to God.

OFFERING, OFFERTORY

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

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION [Pastor]**

The bounty of summer is upon us. God’s table is filled with a feast beyond our wildest dreams. We are grateful to be God’s welcome guest. May the gifts we give during this offering bless others as we have been blessed. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD’S PRAYER [Responsive; Pastor leads]

One: Holy God, eternal yet immediate, beyond yet near, we praise you for all that you have made, for grace that amazes, for mercy that cleanses, and for love that never lets us go.

All: Hear our prayers, our shouts and our sighs, our whispers and our cries, and that which we can only speak deep within.

One: God of grace, help us to see your angels at work among us, lighting upon the unhoused in the street, delivering cups of coffee, Ziplocs full of fresh toiletries and deli sandwiches. Help us honor your angels with our praise and gratitude —the patient teacher, the loving parent, the determined wildfire fighter, the volunteer rescue worker, the visitor of the elderly, the sick, the imprisoned.

All: Give us eyes to see, O God, your angels at work and help us be among their ranks.

One: Loving God, what can we give back this week at work, at church, within our homes and our communities? Guide us to share what we have to give: a kind text message, an encouraging email; an unexpected compliment; a reassuring word of grace; our presence in the midst of pain; a prayer of petition on behalf of the poor and downtrodden; an offering of time or treasure.

All: Hear our prayers, Lord, for we long for all to be well, for all to be right, for all to be whole.

One: Generous God, guide us in our giving this week. Make us bearers of your abundant grace. In these final weeks of summer, we lift these prayers to you, Great God, deserving of all our honor and praise. Now, as the Body of Christ, hear us as we pray the prayer Christ taught us saying, **“Our Father ...”**

***DEPARTING HYMN # 1 “Holy, Holy, Holy”**

***CHARGE & BENEDICTION [Pastor]**

During this hour of worship, we have known forgiveness, restoration and grace. Now we are sent from this place to share and to serve.

May God our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer go with us, guiding and blessing us as we seek to be a blessing to others. Amen.

POSTLUDE

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