

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**We welcome the Rev. Marvin Daniel to Gregory Memorial's pulpit today!**

### November Preachers:

November 3: Rev. Marvin Daniel; Rose Scott, Announcer

November 10: Rev. Dr. Katherine C. Jackson; D. Hunter, Announcer

November 17: Rev. Marvin Daniel; P. Johnson, Announcer

**November 24: Rev. Marvin Daniel; P. Johnson (for S. Hunter), Announcer**

**Five Cents-A-Meal Offering ("Red Wagon")** will be collected today.

**Christmas Poinsettias!** It's that time again: Time to place orders for your Christmas Poinsettias! Poinsettias may be ordered between Nov. 3 – Dec. 1. Color choices are: RED or WHITE. Cost: \$17 per plant (cost includes poinsettia and delivery fee). Please make your check payable to "Gregory Memorial" and place with your order form (blank form is enclosed) in the collection plate.

**"Cookies and Cocoa" Open House** - After the PG Christmas Parade on Dec. 7 at 3 p.m. Faith Committee is asking for monetary donations to help offset cost of this event. Give donations to Mary Holc, Sandy Hunter or Patsy Johnson on or before Nov. 24. Thanks for your continued support!

**Ecumenical Thanksgiving service – Nov. 24.** This evening at 6 p.m. at Church of the Sacred Heart (9300 Community Lane in New Bohemia). Refreshments will follow service.

**Angel Tree** – Watch for the appearance of our "Angel Tree." The tree with gift tag "ornaments" will be in Narthex on Sunday, Dec. 1. Pick up a tag, shop & return with not-wrapped Christmas gift(s) by Dec. 15 deadline. Yes, there's to be no Sunday School or morning worship at Gregory Memorial on the 15<sup>th</sup>, **so bring the Angel Tree gifts to the 3 p.m. Cantata at Gregory on the 15<sup>th</sup>!**

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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

Church Administrator: Nancy Adams (office@gregorymemorial.org)

Organist: Sandra Perkins Pianist: Gail Hare

Treasurer: Susan Shockley Financial Sec.: Sandy Hunter

## 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

**"CHRIST THE KING" / "REIGN OF CHRIST"**

**NOVEMBER 24, 2024**

**11:00 a.m.**

GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

“CHRIST THE KING” / “REIGN OF CHRIST”  
November 24, 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. Marvin Daniel

**CALL TO WORSHIP [Responsive reading; Revelation 1:5-6]**  
One: What brings us together in this place?  
**All: To worship Christ, who loves us, who freed us from our sins by his blood and who made us a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father.**

One: To him be glory and dominion forever and ever.  
**All: Amen.**

One: Let’s prepare our hearts and minds to worship Jesus Christ, our king

**\*OPENING HYMN # 367 “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”**

**CALL TO CONFESSION [Pastor; based on Hebrews 4:15-16 ]**  
Christ sympathizes with our weaknesses. The one we call King in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Trusting in God’s grace, let us confess our sin.

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**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  
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)  
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)  
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)  
Valerie Harsh, living in Staunton, VA (health issue)  
Sean Godwin, grandson of Bill & Cheryl Godwin (health issue: MCV-Massey)  
Evelyn Foster (Petersburg Home for Ladies, Rm #22)

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**THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY**

	<b>NOVEMBER</b> "Christ the King" / "Reign of Christ" 24	<b>DECEMBER</b> "1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent" 1
S	<p><b>9:30a</b> Sunday School</p> <p><b>11a</b> Worship Service By: Rev. Marvin Daniel ➤ <i>5 Cents- a-Meal Offering</i></p> <p><b>Directories are here in Narthex!</b> <i>(It's 2-per: 1- personal &amp; 1- home)</i></p> <p><b>6p</b> Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service at Church of the Sacred Heart, 9300 Community Lane in New Bohemia. Refreshments will follow the service.</p> <p><b>Order Christmas Poinsettias</b></p>	<p><b>9:30a</b> Sunday School</p> <p><b>11a</b> Worship Service &amp; Holy Communion By: Rev. Dr. K.C. Jackson</p> <p><b>Last day to order your Christmas Poinsettias!</b></p> <p><b>Angel Tree gift tags are ready for selection (Deadline for return of not-wrapped gifts is Dec. 15)</b></p>
M	Church office open 25	2
T	Church office open 26	<b>Place Poinsettia order w/ florist By 11 a.m.</b> 3
W	Church office open 27	4
	<b>2p</b> Newsletter (Dec) out	
T	<b>Thanksgiving Day</b> 28	5
	<b>6a</b> Clean church	<b>6a</b> Clean church 6-8p BSA Cub Park 910 (Fellowship Hall, Kitchen)
F	29	6
S	<b>8p</b> PG Study Group AA meeting (Fellowship Hall) 30	<b>8p</b> PG Study Group AA meeting (Fellowship Hall) 7

Worship Attendance	M	V	M	V
November 3, 2024	21	6	13	
November 10, 2024	24	5	13	
November 17, 2024	25	8	13	
November 24, 2024				

M=Members V=Visitors

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION [In unison]**

Lord, however much we call you king, we fail to follow your call to us. We succumb to the political temptations of this temporary world, seeking power and security while you call us to service and hospitality, consuming your creation while you call us to care for it, hating our neighbors, who you call us to love. In our failure to claim you, we identify more with the nations on our passports than with your kingdom. We pray that you reclaim us as your people, forgive us as your children, and continue to be our Lord and our hope for salvation

*[Pause for a moment of silent confession]*

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON [Responsive; based on Psalm 93:5, Revelation 1:5]**

One: Hear the good news: Jesus Christ loves us and has set us free from our sins. In the name of Jesus Christ, and by the certainty of God's decree, Know that we are forgiven!

**All: Thanks be to God!**

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

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

Holy Spirit, we pray that you enter into the hearts, minds, and souls of those who hear these words of Scripture. Illuminate the eternal essence of your being through our hearing of it, and through your power, transform this ink into the stuff of new life. Amen.

**SCRIPTURE READING [Holy Bible, NRSV Trans.]**

2 Samuel 23:1-7 [p. 261]  
 Psalm 93 [p. 478]  
 1 Chronicles 16:8-36 [p. 326-327]

Reader: P. Johnson

**SERMON** "A Thankful Lifestyle"

Rev. Marvin Daniel

**\*REFLECTIVE HYMN #14 "For the Beauty of the Earth"**

**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; based on Revelation 1:8]**

The Lord God is Alpha and Omega, the one who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty. All that is, all that was, and all there will be belongs to God. Let us now return to God in part what is God's in whole.

**OFFERING, OFFERTORY**

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

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION [In unison; based on Daniel 7:13-14 ]**

Holy One, we pray that you take these gifts of our labor, our wealth, our time, and our lives and use them to express your everlasting kingdom of love in this world. Amen.

**FIVE CENTS-A-MEAL OFFERING ("RED WAGON")**

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

One: To the one who reigns over all creation ...

**All: The Almighty, Lord of Peace, Lord of Love, Lord of Life, Lord of Lords, King of our Hearts, King of the Kingdom with No End, King of Kings, Christ, Messiah, Anointed One, Holy Word of God:**

One: We name our prayers to you trusting that you, the Alpha and Omega, the Beginning and the End, hear them and intercede on our behalf.

**All: Hear us as we pray saying, Come Lord Jesus, hear our prayer.**

One: Let us bow our heads in silence as we offer our prayers for those in our community and our church.

*[Pause for a moment of silent prayer]*

**All: Amen.**

One: We lift these prayers to the One who is, who was, and who is to come saying, **"Our Father..."**

**\*DEPARTING HYMN #643 "Now, Thank We All Our God"**

**\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION [Pastor]**

Love God, Love yourself, Love your neighbor. Live as a citizen of the Kingdom of Heaven. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**POSTLUDE**