



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today we celebrate "Scout Sunday" with our worship services led by representatives of Gregory's Scout Troop 900, assisted by Cub Scout Pack 910.

In appreciation of your support of BSA Troop 900 and Cub Scout Pack 910, the congregation is invited to a Reception hosted by our Scouts in the Fellowship Hall immediately after this morning's service.

Feb. Guest Preachers:

Feb. 2: Rev. Marvin Daniel; R. Scott, Announcer

Feb. 9 "Scout Sunday"; "5TH Sunday after Epiphany": Scout Troop 900 & Announcements

Feb. 16: Rev. Marvin Daniel; M. Holc, Announcer

Feb. 23: Rev. Marvin Daniel; D. Hunter, Announcer

Circle – meets on Tuesday, Feb. 13 at 1 p.m. (Location: GMPC).

GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Organist: Sandra Perkins Pianist: Gail Hare

Treasurer: Susan Shockley Financial Sec.: Sandy Hunter

Session Members

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

Doug Holc (2025); David Johnson (2025); Patsy Johnson (2025)

Mary Holc (2026); Sandy Hunter (2026); William Shill (2026)

Blake Bishop (2027); Susan Shockley (2027); Jonathan Mendoza (2027)

Donald Hunter (Clerk of Session (2025))

Trustees

Kevin Foster (2025); Gail Hare (2026); Donald Hunter (2027)

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



"SCOUT SUNDAY"

"5TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY"

February 9, 2025

11:00 a.m.



“SCOUT SUNDAY”
“5TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY”
February 9, 2025 – 11:00 a.m.

We welcome you to worship with us this morning, as we gather in community to draw closer to God, made known in Christ. We pray you will know the presence of the Lord, through our worship, and through the work of the Spirit. We invite you to take these moments before worship to calm your hearts and minds, and open yourself to the quiet stillness of the presence of God!

GOD GATHERS THE PEOPLE

Today’s Greeters: Representatives of Boy Scout Troop 900 and Cub Scout Pack 910

PRELUDE *Sandra Perkins, Organist*
Gail Hare, Pianist

PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS *Life Scout Andrew Costello*
American Flag, Boy Scout & Cub Scout Flags:
Life Scout Andrew Lively, Scout Nathan Jaworski, and a Cub Scout (TBA)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS/SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS *Senior Patrol Leader,*
Life Scout Stephen Thompson

PASSING OF THE PEACE *Senior Patrol Leader, Life Scout Stephen Thompson*

INTRODUCTION OF LEADERS & PRESENTATION OF THE CHARTERS *District Representative: Lowell Flickinger*
Gregory Memorial PC Clerk of Session: Donald R. Hunter

Scout Leaders: Troop 900 - Committee Chair Ralph Orr, Scoutmaster Dickie Thompson;
Pack 910 - Cubmaster Christy Blankenship; Charter Organization Representative Donald R. Hunter

CALL TO WORSHIP [Inspired by Psalm 50:1-6] *Scout Anders Haugen*

Scout: God summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
Congregation: Every time we encounter beauty, God’s perfection shines forth, calling to us.
 Scout: God’s revelation is a devouring fire, burning away our doubts.
Congregation: The heavens declare God’s righteousness, for God is the creator, the redeemer and the judge.

***OPENING HYMN #625 “O Lord My God” (“How Great Thou Art”)**

***Please stand, as able**

OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS

First-responders, world-wide
 Our deployed U.S. service personnel & their families
 Those affected by catastrophic fires in California
 Families & friends of victims of DC air disaster on 1/29/2025
 Families & friends of victims of Philadelphia air disaster on 1/31/2025
 Families, persons, communities affected by weather disasters & gun violence
 All families affected by the wars & civil unrest in Middle East
 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)
 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 (health issue)
 Mary Kay & Mike Schroeter (health issues)
 Dr. Joseph Hillier of Matoaca, Lykins family friend (health issue)
 Dennis Allen (health issues)
 Corey Whelan, Pat Hunter’s grandson (health issue)
 Judy Recher (health issue)
 Shirley MacNeill (health issues)
 Sean Godwin, grandson of Bill & Cheryl Godwin (health issue)
 Evelyn Foster
 Michael Evans, former son-in-law of Nancy & A. W. Adams and son of Bobby & Sandra Tipton and Ray Evans (health issue)
 Frank (“Butch”) Reiter, Jr. (health issue)
 Marcus O-Neill, husband of Wayne Powers’ niece, Ashley (health issue)

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THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY MEMORIAL

	FEBRUARY 9	FEBRUARY 16
S	"Scout Sunday" "5TH Sunday after Epiphany" 9:30a Sunday School 11a Worship Service led by BSA Scout Tr. 900 12p Appreciation Reception for the Congregation hosted by Scouts in Fellowship Hall	"6TH Sunday after Epiphany" 9:30a Sunday School 11a Worship Service Service by: Rev. Nancy S, Clark 12p Stated Session Meeting Moderator: Rev. Clark
M	5:30-9p BSA Crater OA (Fellowship Hall) 10	Washington's Birthday (Federal holiday) 17
T	1p Circle (Location: GMPC) 11 7p Finance Cmte	18
W	7p Faith Cmte 12	2p Annual Reports due to Presbytery 19
T	6a Clean Church 13 2p Newsletter (Mar) articles due 6p GSA Tr 5000 (Fellowship Hall)	6a Clean Church 20 2p Newsletter (Mar) out 6-8p BSA Cub Pack 910 (Fellowship Hall)
F	St. Valentine's Day 14	21
S	8-9p PG Study Group AA (Fellowship Hall, Kitchen) 15	8-9p PG Study Group AA (Fellowship Hall, Kitchen) 22

ATTENDANCE	WORSHIP		SUNDAY SCHOOL	
	M	V	M	V
February 2, 2025	27	9	11	
February 9, 2025				
February 16, 2025				
February 23, 2025				

PRAYER OF CONFESSION [In unison]

Life Scout Andrew Costello

Almighty God, when we encounter beauty and love and wonder in the world, so often we seek to control it, to contain it. Forgive us for all the ways we seek to pull things under our power, for the ways we fashion the world and put ourselves first. Heavenly parent, we take this opportunity to acknowledge our lies and our denial, laying bare our hearts and minds before you now.

(A Moment of Silent Confession)

PROMISE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS [Responsive]

2nd Class Scout Neo Bailey

Scout: Hear the good news of the gospel:

Congregation: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, healed, and made whole.

Scout: Know that we have been forgiven, and be at peace!

Congregation: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. Amen!

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

WE ENCOUNTER GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE [Holy Bible, New Revised Standard Version]

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 138: 1-5 [p. 503]

Life Scout Andrew Lively

New Testament Reading: Luke 5: 1-11 [p. 836]

Scout Nathan Jaworski

SERMON

"The Apostles' Failures"

Life Scout Joshua McPeak

REFLECTIVE HYMN #338 "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***WE AFFIRM OUR FAITH [In unison]**

Life Scout Jackson McPeak

The Lord God is our Great Scoutmaster who provides all our needs. He lets us camp in forests tall and meadows green. He leads us on trails beside waters deep and still, brooks babbling, streams rushing, and rivers raging. He restores our bodies, minds and souls, even as we observe the eagle soaring to greater heights above. He encourages the Eagle Scout in his upward climb. He teaches Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Venturers to live the Scout Oath and Law. Even though the trails may lead through dark valleys with towering mountains, we are courageous because he leads us onward. He continually blesses us with food for mind and body. Even when our enemies dislike or distrust us, he blesses us with the gifts of love and forgiveness. Surely, his goodness and mercy will sustain us all the days of our lives. And, when we climb the final trail through the awesome pass that leads to the Great Council Fire, we shall join those who traveled the trail before us and joyfully live with him forever! Amen.

["A Psalm for Scouts and Scouters", BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA]

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

Scout Aedan Wood

God gifted us with free will that we might choose to worship the Almighty in our words, actions and thoughts. Let us make the choice now to honor the Word of God by the offering of our tithes, trusting that our money, freely given, will be a blessing to God and our neighbors.

Cub Pack 910 Chorale: Hymn #188: "Jesus Loves Me" performed during Offertory.

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES, GIFTS & SELVES TO GOD - OFFERTORY

Ushers: Troop 900 Scouts

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

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Scout Nathan Jaworski

Holy God, you are the source of all love, power and justice. Our world is broken, in need of your love, your light. Take these offerings and multiply them so they may bless others. Bless those who give and those who receive, that they may know you better.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER [Responsive]

Life Scout Jackson McPeak

Scout: Creator God, you are beyond our knowledge and understanding. We are full of wonder at your presence, and your revelation in your son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Your love for us is awe inspiring. We put our faith in this love as we come to you today to express our communal prayers for the world, knowing that you hear us and that the mystery of your love and power and presence may extend to those people and places for which we pray.

Congregation: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers.

Scout: God of all peoples, we pray for the world. Please be at work in places that are full of violence and suffering. We pray for the people of Israel and Palestine, Ukraine, Iran, and Ecuador. Please show us the path to peace. Put the right people in the right places to make decisions not for themselves but others.

Congregation: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers.

Scout: Almighty One, your Word tells us time and again how you care for the poor, the abused, the cast out, the homeless. We pray for those people now. We pray for those who are poor and struggling to make ends meet. We pray for the lonely, the sick, the grieving. And for the cold and the hungry. If we are to play a role in providing these needs, Heavenly Parent, spark our hearts toward action.

Congregation: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers.

Scout: Lastly, God, we lift up our community of Prince George and the congregation of Gregory Memorial Presbyterian Church. We know that you see us and hear us, and so it is in the name of Jesus Christ that we pray together, **"Our Father..."**

***DEPARTING HYMN #542 "God Be with You Till We Meet Again"**

***BLESSING [Responsive]**

Life Scout Andrew Lively

Scout: We have been blessed!

Congregation: We have met for divine worship, as God's people.

Scout: We have been blessed!

Congregation: Our sins have truly been forgiven.

Scout: We have been blessed!

All: We go out into the world as the body of Christ, bearing the good news of the gospel. We are blessed, indeed. Amen!

***CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

Life Scout Stephen Thompson

Scout: May our eyes be open to the ways the Almighty reveals the divine. It is there in the whiteness of snow, in the love of animals, in the joy of a good meal, in the beating of our hearts. Take time to drink in the wonder of this life, and then go out to share it with others.

In the name of our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer, may we know God's blessing and be at peace.

All: Amen.

POSTLUDE

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