ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome the Rev. Nancy S. Clark to Gregory Memorial's pulpit today!

February Preachers:

February 2 – "Holy Communion": Rev. Marvin Daniel, R. Scott, Announcer February 9:- "Scout Sunday": SA Troop 900; Announcements & Service

February 16: Rev. Nancy S. Clark; M. Holc, Announcer

February 23: Tommy Campbell, Seminary student; D. Hunter, Announcer

Chimes & Acolyte: Mary Holc

Stated Session Meeting: <u>Today at 12 p.m. (estimated)</u>, in Session Meeting Room/Parlor after worship service; Rev. Nancy S. Clark, Moderator.

Change in Scouting, effective Feb. 8, 2025: Boy Scouts of America has undergone an official name change. The new name of the organization is: "Scouting America" (abbrev. "SA") and reflects the inclusion of female Scouts within its ranks. The organization, "Girls Scouts of America", is not included in this change, as it is a distinctly separate organization.

Eagle Scout Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser: Mon., March 10, 4-8 pm at PG VFD Co. 1 – Tickets are \$12/adult & \$6/child. Call (804) 931-5260 for tickets (Andrew or Paul Costello). Tickets by advance sale.

Bus Trip to Lancaster, PA – Tues. thru Wed., June 24-25; sponsored by Woodlawn PC to Sight & Sound Theater production of "Noah"; <u>Call GMPC office for details (804) 732-1081.</u> Tickets include transportation, show, lodging and breakfast. Does not include travel meals and dinner.

GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Treasurer: Susan Shockley Financial Sec.: Sandy Hunter

<u>Session Members</u> (Term = 3 yrs.; * indicates a partial term)

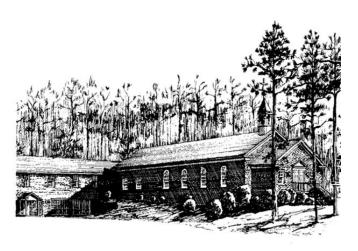
Doug Holc (2025); David Johnson (2025); Patsy Johnson (2025) Mary Holc (2026); Sandy Hunter (2026); William Shill (2026) Blake Bishop (2027); Susan Shockley (2027); Jonathan Mendoza (2027)

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

6TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY" FEBRUARY 16, 2025 11:00 a.m.

GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"6TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY"

FEBRUARY 16, 2025 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

Sandra Perkins, Organist Gail Hare. Pianist

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

Mary Holc

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS/

Mary Holc

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Nancy S. Clark

CALL TO WORSHIP [Pastor leads; based on Psalm]

One: Like trees planted by streams of water...

All: ... let us trust in the Lord and meditate on God's Word so we can

yield good and bountiful fruit.

One: Let us worship the Lord.

*OPENING HYMN # 191 "We Have Come at Christ's Bidding"

CALL TO CONFESSION [Pastor; based on Psalm 71:1-6]

The Lord is our hope and our trust, our refuge and our fortress. With confidence born out of faith in God's power to save and deliver us, let us confess our sin.

OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS

First-responders, firefighters, search & rescue personnel, world-wide All persons and their pets affected by wildfires in California Families of victims of air disaster of 1/29/2025, 1/31/2025 & 2/10/2025 Our deployed U.S. service personnel & their families Families, persons, communities affected by weather disasters

& gun violence All families affected by war & civil unrest in the Middle East

Sovereign Country of Ukraine & its people

Those 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)

Emily Henry, Mary Holc's sister (health issue) Paula McDaniel, Pam Elder's sister (health issue)

Renee' Renier, Diana Flaherty's long-time friend (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)

Alex Courtney of Florence, SC, business associate of Dianna L.

Flaherty, Mary Lykins' daughter

Dennis Allen (health issue)

Corey Whelan, Pat Hunter's grandson (health issue)

Judy Recher (health issue) Shirley MacNeill (health issues)

Sean Godwin, Bill & Cheryl Godwin's grandson (health issue)

Charlie Perkins (health issue)

Evelvn Foster

Michael Evans, former son-in-law of Nancy & A. W. Adams and son of Bobby & Sandra Tipton and Ray Evans

Frank ("Butch") Reiter, Jr. (health issue)

Marcus O'Neill, husband of Wavne Powers' niece, Ashlev (health issue)

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^{*}Please stand, as able.

THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY MEMORIAL

	FEBRUARY 16	FEBRUARY 23			
	"6 TH Sunday after Epiphany"	"7 [™] Sunday after Epiphany"			
	9:30a Sunday School	9:30a Sunday School			
S	11a Worship Service	11a Worship Service			
	Service by:	Service by:			
	Rev. Nancy S. Clark	Tommy Campbell,			
		Student - M. Div.,			
	12p Stated Session Meeting	Union Presbytery Seminary			
	Moderator: Rev. Clark				
М	Washington's Birthday 17	24			
Т	1p Circle meeting @ GMPC 18	25			
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W	19	26			
Т	6a Clean Church 20	27			
	2p Newsletter (Mar) out	6a Clean Church			
	6-8p SA Cub Pack 910 (Fellowship Hall)				
F	(Fellowship Hall)	28			
S	22	MARCH 1			
	8-9p PG Study Group AA	8-9p PG Study Group AA			
	(Fellowship Hall, Kitchen)	(Fellowship Hall, Kitchen)			

Attendance	Worship	Service	Sunday	School
	M	V	М	V
February 2, 2025	27	9	11	
February 9, 2025*	17	55	12	
February 16, 2025				
February 23, 2025				

M=Members V=V

V=Visitors

* Scout Sunday

PRAYER OF CONFESSION [In unison]

Sustaining God, you lead us through parched wilderness to streams of living water, but we do not root ourselves in health and wholeness. We ignore your rich provisions, choosing the world's latest fad and shallow self-help. We sentimentalize the spiritual and ignore the deeper needs of our souls. Merciful God, forgive our arrogance and our ignorance. Remind us of our spiritual needs and the many ways you are here to provide. Amen.

[Pause for a moment of silent confession]

ASSURANCE OF PARDON [Pastor leads; based on Jeremiah 17:8]

One: Blessed are those who trust the Lord. When heat comes, our leaves will stay green. In a year of drought, we will not cease to bear fruit. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

All: Thanks be to God! God has poured out His love upon us, and we have received forgiveness for our sins. May mercy, peace and love be ours in abundance.

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

*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION [In unison]

The Lord tests the mind and searches the heart. In this moment of proclamation, O God, may our hearts and minds be receptive to you and your way. Amen

SCRIPTURE READING [Holy Bible, NRSV Trans.]

Old Testament: Psalm 1:1-6 [p. 424] Reader: D. Hunter

New Testament: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 [p. 934]

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "All for Naught" Rev. Nancy S. Clark

* REFLECTIVE HYMN # 630 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

* 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]

OFFERING, OFFERTORY

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION [In unison]

God, you have sustained us in lean times and led us to sources of living water. Take these gifts and multiply their blessings for those who are hungry, hurting and in need of your strength. Amen.

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

One: Trusted God, in our parched landscape we thirst for hope amidst conflict and change. It's difficult to send our roots into streams of your living water. We are distracted and overwhelmed, flitting from one undone task, one fraught decision, one fresh worry to the next.

All: Be our divining rod, O God, leading us to the spiritual support you so graciously provide.

One: Fount of Life, in your perfect world no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness. Be with those who live amid war and violence. Bless those whose borders are violated by powerful enemy military. Gather all your people under the banner of peace, so that we may come to know and love each other as we have been called.

All: May our addiction to violence be cured and our wounds healed with your balm of truth, justice and peace.

One: He Who Provides, ground those who are helpless and spinning. Renew those who are weary and overwhelmed. Heal those who are suffering and sick. Love and comfort those who are grieving.

All: Gather us together, Nurturing One, so we can learn to be tender and merciful with one another and with ourselves.

One: United as the Body of Christ, we lift these prayers to you, Savior God. Hear us now, as we pray the prayer Christ taught us by saying together, "Our Father..."

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

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION [Pastor]

POSTLUDE

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