

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome Rev. Dr. Katherine C. Jackson to Gregory Memorial's pulpit today!

March Preachers:

March 2 "Transfiguration": Rev. Dr. Katherine C. Jackson, P. Johnson, Announcer

March 4 "Shrove Tuesday Service: Rev. Dr. Katherine C. Jackson

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

March 16: Rev. Marvin Daniel; L. Johnson, Announcer

March 23: Rev. Marvin Daniel; S. Shockley, Announcer

March 30: Rev. Marvin Daniel; R. Scott, Announcer

Chimes: Wayne Powers / **Acolyte:** Rose Scott

Shrove Tuesday Service & Pancake Supper – Mar. 4: Fellowship Hall; Service by Rev. Dr. Katherine C. Jackson. Starts at 6 p.m. *Bring a friend! All are welcome!*

Lenten Service & Luncheons Resume! COVID disrupted many things, and our community Thursday Lenten Service and Luncheon was one of them. This year Gregory Memorial will host the service and luncheon on **March 27, 2025 at noon.** (#3 in the series of 5). Service: by Rev. Dr. Katherine C. Jackson; Music by Gail Hare; Luncheon by GMPC's Faith Committee. Be sure to put this date on your calendar. ***Invite your neighbor! All are welcome!***

Eagle Scout Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser: Mon., March 10, 4-8 p.m. at PG VFD Co. 1 – Tickets are \$12/adult & \$6/child. Call (804) 931-5260 for tickets (Andrew or Paul Costello). Tickets are 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"; Call GMPC office for details (804) 732-1081. Tickets will include transportation, show, lodging and breakfast on June 25. Does not include any meals during travel and dinner on June 24.

Office Hours Week of Mar. 2-8: Thurs. & Fri. (9 AM-5 PM). Inquiries Tues. & Wed. will be handled by Call-forwarding & remote emailing. *(Staff vacation)*

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Resource: "Call to Worship" by Joan Stott; "Prayer of Confession" by Moira Laidlaw; "Prayers of the People" by Rev. Abi.

GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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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

"TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD"

MARCH 2, 2025

11:00 a.m.

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PRELUDE Sandra Perkins, Organist
Gail Hare, Pianist

CHIMING OF THE HOUR Wayne Powers
ACOLYTE Rose Scott

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

PASSING OF THE PEACE Rev. Dr. Katherine C. Jackson

CALL TO WORSHIP [Pastor leads; based on Psalm 99, written by Joan Stott]

One: Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord our God and King! Glorious and powerful is the God of all creation!

All: In reverent awe, we gather to worship our God.

One: The Lord our God is King and the Just Judge of all things for all eternity, all people and all places.

All: In reverent awe, we gather to praise our God.

One: The Lord our God is King and the Forgiving God! “Fairness” and “Justice” are the names of our God. In reverent awe, we gather to worship God, within the light of God’s holiness, justice, mercy and love.

All: Amen.

***OPENING HYMN # 634 “To God Be the Glory”**

CALL TO CONFESSION [Pastor]

**Please stand, as able.*

OUR PRAYERS & CONCERNS

First-responders, firefighters, search & rescue personnel, world-wide
All persons and their pets affected by wildfires in California
Our deployed U.S. service personnel & their families
Those affected by weather disasters & gun violence
All families affected by war & civil unrest in Africa & 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)
Evelyn 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 Wayne Powers’ niece, Ashley (health issue)
Marguerite Bishop (health issue)

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THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY MEMORIAL

	March 2	March 9
S	"Transfiguration of the Lord" 9:30a Sunday School 11a Worship Service Service by: Rev. Dr. Katherine C. Jackson	"1ST Sunday in Lent" 9:30a Sunday School 11a Worship Service Service by: Rev. Rev. Marvin Daniel
M	1p Worship Cmte 3	5:30-9p SA Crater OA (Fellowship Hall, Kitchen) 10 7p Finance Cmte
T	Shrove Tuesday 4 6p Shrove Tuesday Service & Pancake Supper (Fellowship Hall) Service by: Rev. Dr. Katherine C. Jackson All are welcome! Bring a friend!	1p Circle meeting @ GMPC 11
W	Ash Wednesday 5 7p Ash Wednesday service @ Rosewood Presbyterian Ch. [5500 Oaklawn Blvd., Prince George]	12
T	6a Clean Church 6 6-8p SA Cub Pack 910 (Fellowship Hall)	6a Clean Church 13 12p <u>Lenten Service</u> @ Church of the Sacred Heart [9300 Community Lane, So. Prince George] followed by lunch at 12:30p 2p Newsletter articles due in office 7--9p GSA Tr 5000 (Fellowship Hall)
F	7	14
S	8-9p PG Study Group AA (Fellowship Hall, Kitchen) 8	8-9p PG Study Group AA (Fellowship Hall, Kitchen) 15

Attendance	Worship	Service	Sunday	School
	M	V	M	V
Feb. 2, 2025	27	9	11	
Feb. 9, 2025*	17	55	12	
Feb. 16, 2025	19	3	12	
Feb. 23, 2025	26	5	12	

M=Members V=Visitors * Scout Sunday

PRAYER OF CONFESSION [Responsive; written by Moira Laidlaw]

One: Lord Jesus Christ, God's glory and love shone through you that day on the mountain and you persisted in revealing that glory and love through your words and deeds; through your life of humble service. We hear again these wonderful words of God, "You are my Son, the Beloved, listen to him!"

All: **We confess our failure to listen to you because of the influence on our lives of the gods of this world. When this happens our attitudes conceal rather than reveal your glory and your love.**

One: If we conceal your love because our pursuit of other priorities prevents us from seeing and serving people in need: forgive us, Lord.

All: **If we conceal your glory because all we reflect is our own self-centredness: forgive us, Lord.**

One: If we conceal your truth through our lack of credible witness: forgive us, Lord.

All: **If we conceal your justice through our failure to empower those who are powerless: forgive us, Lord.**

One: If we conceal your mercy because of our hard and unforgiving attitudes: forgive us, Lord. If we conceal your compassion because of our prejudice and intolerance: forgive us, Lord.

All: **Lord Jesus Christ, cleanse our lives of all shameful attitudes of mind and heart so that we reveal your glory in and through all we do and say and are. This we pray in your name and in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

[Pause for a moment of silent confession]

ASSURANCE OF PARDON [In unison]

Our God is loving, just and merciful. God delivers us from sin and restores us by grace. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

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

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

Help us, Holy God, to connect to your word anew. Open the Scriptures to us in a way that is life-giving. Encourage us to listen to the message your Spirit makes known in word and worship. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING [Holy Bible, NRSV Trans.]

New Testament: Luke 9:28-43a

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Living the Kingdom of God" Rev. Dr. Katherine C. Jackson

REFLECTIVE MUSIC "Here I Am, Lord" Maggie Lambirth, solo, violin

*** 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]**

Jesus, we want to go with you on that mountain to pray. We want to be changed forever through your love. May these gifts and offerings be used to change both our hearts and the hearts of those in need. May we pledge to stay with you, working side by side to show others both your glory and your great mercy. May we continue to be always astounded at the greatness of our God. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER [Pastor leads; inspired by Matthew 17:1-8, Mark 9:2-8, Luke 9:28-36, written by Rev. Abi]

One: Lord, you are the mighty one; You created light; You send Your light around the world. You sent your son into the world of darkness as the one true light, the light that brings hope to all.

All: And yet we want to capture it like a firefly and keep it to ourselves so that only we have the good feelings and experience.

One: At the same time there are those who would reject Your light, try to find any way imaginable to cover the light.

All: But God, You told us to be the light of the world and to let our light shine. And so today as we pray, we want to let our light shine for others whose light may have grown dim, or has almost gone out or yes, even are in the dark.

One: We want to shine the light of hope to those who are discouraged, dejected, desponded and disappointed. We want to shine your light of love to those who are our enemies, are hated, are bullies, abused, bullied, disenfranchised. We want to shine Your light of grace to those who have given up, don't believe God loves them, and don't feel wanted, lonely and needy. We want to shine Your light of faith, for those who are hungry to believe yet are not sure, those who have struggled a long time with chronic illnesses, frustration, anger and disbelief.

All: Lord, we will carry Your light into this world for all to see what a glorious and wonderful God you are.

One: As Children of the Light of the World, we pray now that which Jesus taught his disciples to pray saying, **"Our Father..."**

***DEPARTING HYMN # 12 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"**

***CHARGE & BENEDICTION [Pastor]**

***POSTLUDE**