

# First Presbyterian Church of Grimes

Rev. Jessica Wietzke, Pastor

WE ARE A PEOPLE OF FAITH  
CALLED BY CHRIST  
TO SHARE  
GOD'S GOOD NEWS  
IN TODAY'S  
ACTIVE WORLD.



Sunday, January 3, 2016

9:15am Worship Service

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## Welcome to First Presbyterian Church

*Please sign the attendance pads found in the hymnal rack and pass it to those sitting near you. You're invited to join us for friendship and refreshments in Fellowship Hall following Worship.*

*Children are welcome in our worship service; however, we do have a nursery available*

### Around Your Church & Community This Week

**Today: 9:15am Worship / Youth Sunday School**  
**10:15am Fellowship Time**

**Wed.: 6:00pm Cross Connection**

**Thurs.: 8:30am PW Coffee (Grimes Burger King)**

**Weekly, Mon-Fri, 9:30am to 1:30pm—Grimes Senior Meal Site is open**

### --- Our Worship Attendance & Giving ---

Date	Attendance	Pledges	Other Gifts
12/20	70	\$845.00	\$1,313.00
12/24	73	\$125.00	\$256.00
12/27	45	\$1,043.00	\$13.00

(Figures represent offerings for the regular church budget).

Church Office Manager: Erin Schmitz

Erin's hours are Tue-Fri. 9am-2pm. Email: [grimespres1@hotmail.com](mailto:grimespres1@hotmail.com)

Pastor Jessica's hours are Mon-Th 9am-3pm. Email: [grimespres2@hotmail.com](mailto:grimespres2@hotmail.com)

# *We gather to worship God*

## THE WELCOME, GREETING, & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Are you visiting us? We're glad you're here! Please sign in your name and address on the attendance pad as it is passed down your pew.



## RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

## SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Arise, shine; for your light has come.

All: Behold the glory of the lord. Alleluia!

\*OPENING HYMN "God of Grace and God of Glory" . . . . . Hymn 669

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, Light of the world, we confess that we have not resisted the darkness of sin. Forgive us, gracious God. In Christ, stoop down to save us; loosen the ties that bind us to sin and set us free to love and serve you; in Jesus' name, Amen.

### \*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Hear the Good News of the Gospel, thrill and rejoice in God's goodness: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God.

\*GLORIA PATRI - *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.*

## A TIME WITH OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

## OFFICER INSTALLATION

## SCRIPTURE READING

NT: Matthew 2: 1-12, 16-18 (page 2; large print - page 2)

MEDITATION "Encountering Christ"

THE OFFERTORY HYMN "We Three Kings of Orient Are" . . . . . Hymn 185

\*Doxology - *Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

### \*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Loving God, once it was Magi who brought you gifts. Today we bring gifts - ourselves, our time, our money, and our commitment. Send these gifts into the world to change darkness into light. Send us home changed by your loving kindness. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

(We use the words 'debts' and 'debtors' in The Lord's Prayer)

## CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

\*Communion Hymn "Let Us Break Bread Together" . . . . . Hymn 776

### The Invitation and Words of Institution

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

### Distribution of the Elements

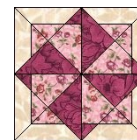
(Please take the bread and cup as it comes to you; when all are served, we will partake together.)

\*CLOSING HYMN "O Sing a Song of Bethlehem" . . . . . Hymn 192

(Colene & Nancy will play through this hymn once before we sing.)

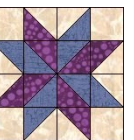
## \*BENEDICTION & POSTLUDE

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\*Please stand if you are able



Mark your calendars! Sunday, January 17th, 1:00-3:00pm

## PW Quilting Day



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**Grow your knowledge of God's word:** This week's Bible verse

"Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We've seen his star in the east, and we've come to honor him." - - Matthew 2:2

## *Serving the Lord with Gladness*

**Today: Sunday, January 3rd, 2016:**

Pastor ~ Rev. Jessica Wietzke

Organist ~ Colene Townsend • Pianist ~ Nancy Mitchell

Communion Servers ~ Vern & Bev Adams, Susan Ballard, Phyllis Rosenberg

Ushers & Greeters ~ Vern & Bev Adams

Offering Counters ~ Cyndy Bolsenga & Tom Wengert

Nursery Attendants ~ Klug Family

Coffee Hosts ~ Workman Family

**Serving next Sunday, January 10th, 2016:**

Pastor ~ Rev. Jessica Wietzke

Organist ~ Colene Townsend • Pianist ~ Nancy Mitchell

Ushers & Greeters ~ Betty Pittman & Doug Laverrenz

Offering Counters ~ Cyndy Bolsenga & Tom Wengert

Nursery Attendants ~ Wong Family

Coffee Hosts ~ Don & Joyce Hart

**Offering Counters:** January 17th & 24th: Janel DeJoode & Melodee Grefe  
January 31st & February 7th: Robbin McClelland & Phyllis Rosenberg

### **Session Members**

<u>Class of 2016</u>	<u>Class of 2017</u>	<u>Class of 2017</u>
Melodee Grefe	Bev Boyd	Robbin McClelland
Curt Klyn	Jane Altman	Marilyn Whitmore
Linda Wong	Jacie Smith	Keith Workman
<b>Clerk of Session: Jacie Smith</b>		

### **Deacons**

Susan Ballard  
Bev Boyd; Joyce Hart  
Robbin McClelland  
Phyllis Rosenberg  
Gai Shields  
Bill Sharp

**In service to the congregation, we ask that compliments, complaints, or concerns please be directed to the appropriate committee chairperson (below) as a first step.**

**We Are Sincerely, Your Church Session**

***Building & Grounds Committee - Keith Workman***

***Christian Education Committee - Melodee Grefe***

***Christian Nurture Committee - Linda Wong***

***Communications - Robbin McClelland***

***Memorial Committee - Curt Klyn***

***Missions & Evangelism Committee - Jane Altman***

***Nominating Committee - Melodee Grefe***

***Personnel Committee - Bev Boyd***

***Stewardship & Finance Committee - Curt Klyn***

***Technology Committee - Open***

***Worship Committee - Jacie Smith***

The Sunday service audio recordings are now available on the church website:

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Click on the 'Resources' tab, and find the service you want under 'Sermons'.