

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, May 1, 2016

9:15am 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, a nursery is available for parents with young children under the age of 5 years. There is a speaker in the nursery so you don't miss out on worship.

Around Your Church & Community This Week

- Today:** **9:15am** **Worship**
 10:15am **Fellowship Time**
- Wed.:** **6:00pm** **Cross Connection**
- Thurs.:** **8:30am** **PW Coffee Club (Grimes Burger King)**

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

| | Date | Attendance | Pledges | Other Gifts |
|---------------------------|--|------------|------------|-------------|
| Worship Attendance | 4/17 | 48 | \$430.00 | \$1,148.75 |
| & | 4/24 | 64 | \$1,335.00 | \$678.00 |
| Giving | (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

Pastor Jessica's hours are Mon-Th 9am-3pm. Email: 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: Great Giver of Dreams, be with us on this Sunday morning;

People: Allow our prayers and praise to soar, our imaginations to venture.

Leader: Inspirer of Faith, be with us on this Sunday morning;

People: Encourage us to hear the Word, and make the Word live in our actions.

Leader: Just and Wonderful Friend, be with us on this Sunday morning;

People: Come with us to comfort those who have suffered loss, and give the oppressed hope.

Leader: Eternal One, be with us on this Sunday morning,

People: Putting time in its place, pointing us towards a glory that never ends.

*OPENING HYMN "Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise" Hymn 258

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

All knowing God, we know you understand us more deeply than we understand ourselves. You know how much the cares of this life weigh us down. We take so much for granted, failing to value the wonder of life all around us, the gift of family and friends, the amazing reality of your Spirit dwelling in us. We want to be like good soil, receiving the seed of your Word with understanding that nourishes roots of trust and joy. Free us from all that keeps us from bearing fruit for you. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: God has listened to us. In spite of all we have done or not done,

People: God accepts us.

Leader: Accept the gift of God's forgiveness and love,

All: for it is everything we need.



***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.*

TIME WITH OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

SCRIPTURE READING

NT: Selected verses from John 17 (page 111; large print - page 127)

SERMON "Standing in the Need of Prayer"

THE OFFERTORY HYMN "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart". . Hymn 290

***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

We give because you have been generous to us, gracious God. We give because we need to give in order to realize your image within us. We give to feed the hungers of body and soul that are all around us and deep within. May the ministries of this church meet the needs of our members, our community, and our world. Help us to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

RESPONSIVE READING (written by Joyce Rupp)

Leader: Gracious God, give us generous hearts,
People: to share whatever gift it is that you have given us;

Leader: to acknowledge you as the giver of all good gifts;

People: to give without counting the cost;

Leader: to share without expecting something in return.

People: Gracious God, give us generous hearts,

Leader: to be wise in the way of caring for ourselves and others;

People: to hold all of our treasures and values with open hands;

Leader: to have gospel priorities and to align our lives, love, and time in their light;

People: to be gracious and unbegrudging in our giving.

Leader: Gracious God, give us generous hearts,

People: to recognize the abundance of blessings in each passing day;

Leader: to know the freedom that comes with true generosity;

People: to experience the heart of the widow giving her mite;

Leader: to accept our talents, whether many or few, and to use them in service of the kingdom;

People: to grow in giving thanks for everything;

Leader: to be happy with having what we need and to be wise enough to know what it is that we want and do not need,
People: **to fall more deeply in love with the God of all generosity so that our hearts are strong enough to give away freely whatever is asked;**
All: **Gracious God, give us generous hearts.**

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

***Communion Hymn** “Rejoice, the Lord is King”. Hymn 262

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** “Christ Is Coming! Let Creation”. Hymn 271

***BENEDICTION & POSTLUDE**

**Please stand if you are able*

Cross Connection

On Wednesday, May 4th, we'll meet at Don & Joyce Hart's home (10495 Rowe Dr., Granger) at 6:00pm for some fun evening activities (rescheduled from April 6th).

First Presbyterian Friends - Everyone is invited!

The rain will have moved out by then, so we're looking forward to a dry evening!



PW Mother/Daughter Tea

Sunday, May 15th • 1:00-3:00pm

First Presbyterian Church
Fellowship Hall



“Buttons & Bows”



Reservations are still being taken in the church office (please call), or sign up on the ‘Reservations’ sheet outside the church office. For planning purposes, Sunday, May 8th will be the last day to reserve your spot. Hope you can join us!



“Don’t knock the weather; nine-tenths of the people couldn’t start a conversation if it didn’t change once in a while.”

– – Kin Hubbard



Current ***Grimes Food Pantry*** needs:

Tomato sauce, diced tomatoes, corn muffin mix, Ramen noodles, cereal, and juice boxes. Toiletry items needed: shampoo, toothpaste, toilet paper, paper towels, and Kleenex.

We rely solely on donations for the following items: Cake, brownie, & cookie mixes, toothpaste, shampoo, bar soap, and paper products, as we do not purchase these items.

Due to an increase in families participating in the monthly assistance food program, monetary donations are always appreciated as well.

Thank you for your continued support!

Serving the Lord with Gladness

Today: Sunday, May 1, 2016:

Pastor ~ Rev. Jessica Wietzke

Organist ~ Colene Townsend • Pianist ~ Nancy Mitchell

Communion Servers ~ Leon & Jane Altman, Jacie Smith, Linda Wong

Ushers & Greeters ~ Bev Boyd & Stan Erickson

Offering Counters ~ Curt Klyn & Brent Smith

Coffee Hosts ~ Wong Family

Serving next Sunday, May 8th, 2016:

Pastor ~ Rev. Jessica Wietzke

Organist ~ Colene Townsend • Pianist ~ Nancy Mitchell

Ushers & Greeters ~ Jim & Carol Calvert

Offering Counters ~ Karen Crosby & Ellen Workman

Coffee Hosts ~ Brent & Jacie Smith

Offering Counters: May 15th: Karen Crosby & Ellen Workman
May 22nd & 29th: Yalanda Clayton & Keith Workman

Session Members

| <u>Class of 2016</u> | <u>Class of 2017</u> | <u>Class of 2018</u> |
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| Melodee Grefe | Bev Boyd | Robbin McClelland |
| Curt Klyn | Jane Altman | Marilyn Whitmore |
| Linda Wong | Jacie Smith | Keith Workman |
| Clerk of Session: Jacie Smith | | |

Deacons

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

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'.

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 - Curt Klyn

Worship Committee - Jacie Smith