

First Presbyterian Church of Grimes

Guest Pastor: Rev. Betty Sandy

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



Sunday, September 25, 2016

9:15am Service

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

Pastor Jessica will be out of the office this week and all next week. Erin will have her regular office hours during this time, and area pastors have agreed to be on-call for any pastoral needs that may arise.

Today: **8:30am** **Children's & Adult Sunday School**
 9:15am **Worship**
 10:15am **Fellowship Time**
 10:30am **High School Sunday School**
Thurs.: **8:30am** **PW Coffee Club**

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

Worship Attendance & Giving	Date	Attendance	Pledges	Other Gifts
	9/11	54	\$455.00	\$1,456.00
	9/18	45	\$155.00	\$906.00
(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

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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: Let your lives witness to Christ's love,

People: and may our words bring reconciliation.

Leader: Let your thoughts be of peace,

People: and our touch bring healing.

Leader: Let your actions count for justice,

People: and may our faith be a sign of hope.

Leader: Let our time of worship here and now be a true blessing for us all and restore joy and praise to our lives.

*OPENING HYMN "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" Hymn 20

*CONFESSION PRAYER

Creator God, you made us in your image and likeness as your children to live in your presence and walk in your ways. Forgive us when we, like the prodigal, stray from you. Draw us back home to you and restore us to walk in your ways of love, forgiveness, reconciliation, and peace. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: God's love and forgiveness are from everlasting to everlasting. Friends, know that you are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

*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 READINGS

OT: **Genesis 1: 1-5, 26-28a, 31** (pages 1-2; large print - pages 1-2)

NT: **John 1: 1-5** (page 91; large print - page 111)

Luke 15: 11-32 (pages 78-79; large print - pages 95-96)

SERMON "Home: Listen With Your Heart" Rev. Betty Sandy

THE OFFERTORY HYMN "Just As I Am, without One Plea" Hymn 445

*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

Gracious and loving God, you pour out your blessings upon us each day. We give you thanks for being present with us always and providing all that we need. In thanksgiving, we offer ourselves and our gifts to further your kingdom in Jesus' name. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

*CLOSING HYMN "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" Hymn 576

*BENEDICTION & POSTLUDE

*Please stand if you are able

We welcome Rev. Betty Sandy (Honorably Retired) to our worship service this morning. She has served at Bainbridge Presbyterian Church in Bainbridge, Ohio for 14 years, and Clifton Heights Presbyterian Church in Des Moines for 3 years. Thank you for sharing your Sunday morning with us, Rev. Sandy!



Sunday, October 16th:

Our annual Harvest Home Dinner!

Spread the word and invite all of your family, friends, and neighbors. We'll start serving our famous turkey dinner (including dressing, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, rolls, desserts, and drinks) at 4:30pm.



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

Tuna, Hamburger/Tuna Helper, spaghetti/spaghetti sauce, corn muffin mix, canned beans, canned soups (all kinds), boxed potatoes, Ramen noodles, macaroni & cheese.

We rely solely on donations for the following items: Cake, brownie, & cookie mixes, toothpaste, shampoo, bar soap, and paper products (toilet paper, paper towels).

In August we served 55 families (108 adults, 83 children), for a total of 191 individuals.

Monetary donations are always appreciated as well. Our shelves are being emptied at an alarming rate. ***Thank you for your continued support!***

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

www.grimesfirstpresbyterianchurch.org

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