

First Presbyterian Church of Grimes

Pastor: Rev. Jessica Wietzke

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



Sunday, January 22, 2017

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

Today: **8:30am** **Sunday School, all ages**
 9:15am **Worship**
 Annual Meeting following worship
 10:45am **Fellowship Time**
Mon.: **6-9pm** **Fellowship Hall reserved (Girl Scouts)**

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

	Date	Attendance	Pledges	Other Gifts
Worship Attendance	1/8	46	\$785.00	\$642.00
&	1/15	44	\$520.00	\$599.00
Giving	(Figures represent offerings for the regular church budget).			

Church office hours: Monday-Friday 9am-2pm

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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: We come to God, who comes to us in Jesus,

People: and who knows by experience what human life is like.

Leader: We come with our faith and with our doubts.

People: We come with our hopes and with our fears.

Leader: We come as we are, because it is God who invites us to come,

All: And God has promised never to turn us away.

***OPENING HYMN** *"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"* Hymn 317

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *(based on Psalm 51)*

Have mercy on us, God. Have mercy! You are our God, and therefore we cry out when sin gets the better of us. And it gets the better of us, even when we don't want it that way. Send your Holy Spirit, that our spirits be renewed through your Spirit. Send for the your Holy Spirit, that our lives may be recreated in the image of Christ, that at last we may be the men and women you always intended. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Leader: Listen to the words of Jesus,

People: words that we can trust:

Leader: "Don't be afraid.

People: Your sins are forgiven.

Leader: I love you.

People: Come and follow me."

All: Thanks be to God. 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



***PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

God, pure in holy light, pure source of everything that is right, purify us; Fountain of Life, wellspring of wisdom, the Word of God from the beginning. Pour out again your Holy Spirit, that heavenly dove, the life-giving Spirit, the breath of understanding, the glowing tongue of holy flame, the soul of wisdom, that your Word may glow within us, treasured in every thought and catching fire in every act. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

NT: Luke 13: 1-9 (page 76; large print - page 92)

SERMON *"Newness of Life, Ever-Growing"*

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

THE OFFERTORY HYMN *"We Are Called to Be God's People"* Hymn 710

***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**

Lord, let our congregation be a witness to you: immersed in scripture, constant in prayer, joyful in worship, generous in giving. A loving, supportive community, reaching out to those in need. Accept these gifts we offer, in Jesus' name, Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

VIDEO REFLECTION ON THE CHURCH

***CLOSING HYMN** *"Make Me a Blessing"* Hymn 656

(If you cannot stay for the Annual Meeting, you're invited to leave during the closing hymn, as we include this meeting as a continued part of our worship this morning.)

ANNUAL MEETING *(please refer to the agenda in the opening pages of the report)*

***BENEDICTION**

Leader: For all that God can do within us,

People: For all that God can do without us,

All: Thanks be to God.

Leader: For all in whom Christ lived before us,

People: for all in whom Christ lives beside us, →

All: Thanks be to God.
Leader: For all the Spirit wants to bring us,
People: for where the spirit wants to send us,
All: Thanks be to God.
Leader: Listen, Christ has promised to be with us
People: in the world as in our worship.
All: Amen, we go to meet him.

***POSTLUDE**

**Please stand if you are able*

First Presbyterian Church of Grimes - Annual Meeting

There will be a congregational meeting today, January 22nd, for the purpose of holding the Annual Meeting and to vote on the pastor's salary package.

Copies of the 2017 budget, employee compensation, and 4th quarter report are available on the table at the back of the church.

A busy time for all who helped with our PW quilting afternoon last Sunday. We worked on prayer quilts and fleece blankets for the military. Your efforts will certainly please the person who receives one!

Thank you - - Gai Shields

Current **Grimes Food Pantry** needs: Chili beans, pork-n-beans, tomato soup, soda crackers, applesauce, canned pineapple, bottled juice, juice boxes, microwave popcorn.

We rely solely on donations of: shampoo, toothpaste, bar soap, toilet paper, paper towels, Kleenex, cake/brownie/cookie mixes.

In December we served 45 families (94 adults, 84 children), for a total of 178 individuals,.

Monetary donations are appreciated at all times. We accept online donations as well at www.grimesumc.com/local/food-pantry.

Thank you for your continued support!

PW Silent Food Auction

On Sunday, **February 12**, we will be holding a **Silent Food Auction** in Fellowship Hall. It will begin immediately after the church service (10:15 am). Members will have 25 minutes to bid on each food item. At 10:40 am the bidding will cease. The highest bid on each food item will be final.

The money raised from this fundraiser will be used for our annual Presbyterian Women's **Mother/Daughter Tea**. The Mother/Daughter Tea is a celebration of women – bring your mother, daughter, sister, best friend, aunt, in-law, etc. We are hoping to use the money to pay for a caterer so we can all sit down and enjoy each other.

In order to make this event successful – we are asking for your help in making some food items. Anyone can make food items – you, your daughter, and **even your husband**. You can make 1 or 2 items. We do ask that you place your items in a container that will not need to be returned. Perhaps in a foil or tin bowl or plate, placed on cardboard, or sandwich/storage bag.

On Sunday, February 12, you can bring your food item to the Fellowship Hall **before** church and place on a table. There will be PW to help you in the hall. We can even run out to your car and help you carry it in.

Here are a few examples of what you could donate, but the ideas are limitless:

- **Desserts** (Pies, Cakes, Bars, Cookies, etc)
- **Frozen Meals** (Lasagna, Casseroles, etc)
- **Recipes in a Jar/Box** (all ingredients needed to make an item - ex: Hot Chocolate)
- **Healthy Meals** (Fruit Kabobs, Relish Tray, etc)
- **Candy** (Glass Candy, Peanut Butter Cups, etc)

Happy Cooking!

Serving the Lord with Gladness

Today: Sunday, January 22nd, 2017:

Pastor ~ Rev. Jessica Wietzke
 Organist ~ Colene Townsend
 Pianist ~ Nancy Mitchell

Ushers & Greeters ~ Cyndy Bolsenga & Bev Boyd
 Offering Counters ~ Melodee Grefe & Marilyn Whitmore
 Coffee Hosts ~ Klug Family

Serving next Sunday, January 29th, 2017:

Pastor ~ Rev. Jessica Wietzke
 Organist ~ Colene Townsend
 Pianist ~ Nancy Mitchell

Ushers & Greeters ~ Jim & Carol Calvert
 Offering Counters ~ Robbin McClelland & Phyllis Rosenberg
 Coffee Hosts ~ Wong Family



Give your hands to serve and your hearts to love.
 -- Mother Teresa (now St. Teresa of Calcutta)

Session Members

Class of 2017	Class of 2018	Class of 2019
Bev Boyd	Robbin McClelland	Kristy Klyn
Jane Altman	Marilyn Whitmore	~ ~ ~
Jacie Smith	Keith Workman	~ ~ ~

Clerk of Session: Jacie Smith

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*

**Keith Workman, Robbin McClelland, Jane Altman,
 Bev Boyd, Jacie Smith, Marilyn Whitmore, Kristy Klyn**

Our Session committee structure will be 'under construction' during the start of 2017. We ask for your patience during this time. Thank you!

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