

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



Sunday, May 7, 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

Last day of Sunday School
- 9:15am

Worship
- 10:15am

Fellowship Time
- 10:30am

Operations Committee Meeting
- 1-3pm

PW Mother/Daughter Tea (Fellowship Hall)
- Tues.:
- 6:00pm

Session Meeting
- Wed.:
- 6:00pm

VBS Planning Meeting

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

Worship Attendance & Giving	Date	Attendance	Pledges	Other Gifts
	4/23	39	\$245.00	\$597.00
	4/30	43	\$885.00	\$300.00
	(Figures represent offerings for the regular church budget).			

Church office hours: Monday-Friday 9am-2pm
Pastor: Jessica Wietzke (grimespres2@hotmail.com)
Church Office Manager: Erin Schmitz (grimespres1@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.

MINUTE FOR MISSION - *RELAY FOR LIFE*

RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let us give thanks to God!

People: For God's mercy that reaches out to us in Jesus Christ.

Leader: For God's patience that waits our returning.

People: For God's love that is ever ready to welcome us.

Leader: With hearts and hands and voices,

All: we life up our songs of thanksgiving.

***OPENING HYMN** *"Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven" Hymn 254*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Jesus came preaching about the kingdom of God. He gave us a vision of a world made new through the work of God.

All: Yet we find it easy to abide in the old.

Leader: Jesus called us to follow him.

All: Yet we are timid and our feet remain firmly planted where they are.

Leader: Jesus promised us he would be with us always.

All: Yet we do not look for him in the everyday moments of life. Forgive us, God. Open our eyes to your presence among us, and to the vision of your kingdom here on earth as it is in heaven. Give us willing hearts that we may do justice, love, kindness, and walk humbly with you as you lead us forward in your glorious kingdom. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Christ is risen! The stone is rolled away, the tomb found empty.

People: Mary calls out, "I have seen the Lord!" *(continued →)*



Leader: We have seen Christ, too, in every helping hand, in every heartfelt gift, in every choice to restore life in this world.

People: We are called to this new life, a life of forgiveness and reconciliation.

Leader: You are forgiven; accept your forgiveness and know that God loves you and desires great joy for your life.

All: Walk forward on this journey of faith, knowing your brothers and sisters are with you.

***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 - *Joyce Hart*

SCRIPTURE READINGS

NT: Exodus 14: 10-31 (pages 60-61; large print - pages 75-76)

SERMON *"Cross Over: A Summons to Freedom and Faith"*

THE CALL FOR THE OFFERING

THE OFFERTORY HYMN *"Beneath the Cross of Jesus" Hymn 216*
(vs. 1&2)

***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

God of great gifts: This morning we give you praise, we give you glory, we give you thanks! With resurrection humming in our hearts, our minds are tuned to your song of peace! We joyfully present these gifts to you, a tangible chorus of thanksgiving, a harmony of hope for your kingdom come! Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Our youth will lead The Lord's Prayer; we use the words 'debts' and 'debtors'.)

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

***Communion Hymn** *"For the Bread Which You Have Broken" . . . Hymn 772*

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 “Alleluia, Sing to Jesus” Hymn 263

*BENEDICTION & POSTLUDE

* = Please stand if you are able

Today, 1-3pm: PW Mother/Daughter Tea

Mark Your Calendars: Special Music

Phil & Rhonda Hague of Johnston will be with us on Mother’s Day (May 14th) to share their music with us during worship. Phil brought his harmonica and southern gospel style to us last summer, so we’re anxious to welcome them back again for this special Sunday service.

The Kinsers will be with us again on Father’s Day (June 18th), bringing their music to our worship service that day. It’s always a special treat to have them share their time and music with us.

PW Silent Auction - Sunday, June 4th. Information has been included in the May Presbits, so please take a look, be thinking about a service you can offer, or a service you’re in need of, and call or email the church office to let us know.



Current Grimes Food Pantry needs: Chili beans, soda crackers, canned pineapple, corn muffin mix, boxed potatoes (au gratin/scalloped), juice boxes, microwave popcorn.

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

In April we served 41 families (76 adults, 60 children), for a total of 136 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!



Grimes First Presbyterian Church
VBS 2017:

God in ACTION!



June 27-28-29
6-8pm

Registration and more info coming soon!



Serving the Lord with Gladness

Today: Sunday, May 7th, 2017:

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

Communion Servers ~ Dana & Melodee Grefe, Marilyn Whitmore,
Linda Wong

Ushers & Greeters ~ Don & Mary Lou Friar
Offering Counters ~ Gai Shields & Keith Workman
Coffee Hosts ~ Keith & Ellen Workman

Serving next Sunday, May 14th, 2017:

Pastor ~ Rev. Jessica Wietzke
Organist ~ Colene Townsend
Pianist ~ Nancy Mitchell
Special Music ~ Phil & Rhonda Hague

Ushers & Greeters ~ Janine Jensen & Denny Rosenberg
Offering Counters ~ Gai Shields & Keith Workman
Coffee Hosts ~ Curt & Kristy Klyn



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

Nurture: Kristy Klyn, Bev Boyd
(Christian Ed, Christian Nurture, Missions & Evangelism)

Operations: Keith Workman, Robbin McClelland
(Building & Grounds, Financial, Technology/Office Support, Communication, Memorial):

Witness: Jacie Smith, Marilyn Whitmore, Jane Altman
(Worship, Technology/Sanctuary Support, Nominating)

Regular Schedule of Session Committee Meetings:

- **Operations** - 1st Sunday of the month, 10:30am (May 7th)
- **Witness** - 3rd Sunday of the month, 10:30am (April 30th because of Easter)
- **Nurture** - 4th Sunday of the month, 10:30am (skip May due to Memorial Day; June 25th)

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