

Pastoral Concerns:

Bernice Hamrick, Lisa Thomas, Becky Justus, Bobby Justus, Sylvia Mahaney, Pat Medley, Vickie Hughes, Cathy Dobson, Josie Potter, Deborah Harkins, Wendy Blake, Sam Davenport, Helen Haberneck, Erin Haberneck, Carroll Marshal, David McKinney, Mike Duncan, Theo Weger and his parents Daniel and Christiana, Gus and Pat McKinney, Phillip and Caroline McKinney, Martha Pound, Leshia Justus, Eveline Horrell, Judy Weger, Helen Greene, the family of Gay Garland, Conner Miller, Walt Smith, the Wyatt family, and Dennis Dale

Announcements:

There will be a memorial service for Gay Holcombe Garland today at 2:00 in the sanctuary.

The session meeting will be rescheduled.

John Hall has agreed to slip on a pair of red high-heeled shoes for our Mitchell County SafePlace Walk -A- Mile In Her Shoes fundraiser on Saturday, October 15 if we can raise \$500 dollars.

The Stop Hunger Now event will take place Sat. Oct. 1st at Harris Middle School here in Spruce Pine. Starts at 9:00 should be over by noon.

Newdale PC will host a Tuesday evening study on Adam Hamilton's book "Half Truths." We will begin Tuesday October 4th

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**Grassy Creek Presbyterian**

September 25, 2016

We Worship, We Share, We Serve

Announcements and Welcome**Passing of the Peace**

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Prelude:**Preparation for the Word*****Call to Worship**

One: We gather today to worship the God of eternal love and hope.

All: My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust

One: We come to be challenged in how worldly our priorities have become.

All: My way and truth, my God in whom I reprioritize.

One: We join brothers and sisters of all time and place here.

All: Let us be open to the Spirit moving here today. Let us worship in Spirit and Truth. Amen.

**Hymn of Praise—383 My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

Unison Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we have not been your faithful people. We put too much stock in having things, and accumulating wealth, and the importance we think comes with it. We do not see all of your children – especially those who need the most. We refuse to live into the hope you give us instead trying to find fulfillment in ourselves and our own desires. We are a mess as individuals and together. We need you. Help us be your people again. Forgive us, please.

(a moment of silent confession) Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Dear ones, know that you are not alone. Know that, even as you are being unfaithful, God is always faithful to you. Know that in the name of Jesus Christ your sins are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

The Word Proclaimed

First Lesson

1 Timothy 6: 6-19

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: *O Thou, My Soul, Return in Peace (228)*

Second Lesson

Luke 16: 19-31

Sermon:

“Jesus Will See You Now ”

Pastor, Jim Taylor

Response to the Word

Hymn of Response—379 *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

***Affirmation of Faith—(Insert)**

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: *Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak (426)*

***Doxology**

***Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving**

Beloved God, who richly provides for our needs and enjoyment, thank you for your many gifts. You have trusted us with our lives, with this world, and with your love. May the gifts we offer you today be used for your service and your glory. Help us store up for ourselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, that we may take hold of the life that really is life. We offer these gifts, trusting in our savior Jesus Christ. Amen. (1Timothy, 6)

Hymn of Sending—438 *Blest Be the Tie That Binds

***Charge and Benediction**

***Please stand if able.**

Congregational Affirmation

(based on Psalm 23)

You, O God, are our Shepherd.
You provide everything we need.
You let us rest in green meadows
and lead us beside quiet streams.

You renew our strength,
and guide us in ways that bring honor to Your name.

Even when we walk through difficult valleys,
we will not fear,
for you never are far away—
protecting and comforting,
guarding and guiding every step we take.

You prepare a feast for us
in the presence of our enemies.
You welcome us as friends
and lavish your blessings on us.

We know that your goodness and unfailing love
will continue to pursue us all the days of our lives,
and that after our lives here are over,
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