Pastoral Concerns:

Bernice Hamrick, Lisa Thomas, Becky Justus, Bobby Justus, Sylvia Mahaney, Pat Medley, Vickie Hughes, Deborah Harkins, Wendy Blake, 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, Lesha Justus, Eveline Horrell, Judy Weger, Conner Miller, Bobby Teague, the Wyatt family, Joe Davenport, Shirley Hise, the family of Lisa Jo McMahan, Sam Deyton, Heather English, Bob Duncan (Reid's brother), Dr. Andrew Davis, Dennis Dale, and the family of Helen Greene.

Announcements:

Lenten Lunch Series continues March 15 at Bald Creek UMC. March 22 at Micaville Presbyterian. March 29 at Higgins Memorial UMC. April 5th at First Presbyterian in Burnsville. Services begin at 12 noon with a light lunch to follow.

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Grassy Creek Presbyterian March 12, 2017 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: Ye Must Be Born Again

Preparation for the Word

*Call to Worship
For God so loved the world,
That God gave the Only Son,
So that everyone who believes in him will not perish,
But have eternal life.
Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world,
But in order that the world might be saved through him.
May we join our hearts in worship this morning,
Following the One who came not to condemn, but to save.
Amen.

*Hymn of Praise—355 Hear the Good News of Salvation

Unison Prayer of Confession

Holy God, you are the Judge we answer to, but too often we have judged our neighbors and condemned them, before we know them, before we have even heard them speak. We have abused others by calling ourselves saved and others condemned; we have hurt others by trying to save them. We have forgotten, O God, that You have called us to judge ourselves, to seek forgiveness, to remove the log from our own eye. May we seek forgiveness where we have harmed others and may we deepen our trust in you. In the name of Jesus, who calls us to be born in a new way, we pray.

(a moment of silent confession) Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

God leads us into life. God is with us, in the beginning and the end, watching out for us and leading us on.

God renews us, restores us, and sets our feet on right paths. God is our help and strength and comfort.

Seek God, trust in God, and know that you are forgiven and loved. Amen.

The Word Proclaimed

First LessonGenesis 12: 1-4a, Psalm 121Leader: The Word of the Lord.People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: Amazing Grace

Second Lesson

John 3: 1-17

Sermon:

"Winds of Change" Pastor, Jim Taylor-CLP

Installation of New Elder

Response to the Word

*Hymn of Response—370 Just as I Am, Without One Plea

Affirmation of Faith—Congregational Affirmation (insert)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: Somebody's Knocking at Your Door

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving

God of unwavering love, you have held nothing back in your love for us, not even your Son. How we marvel at that kind of love, and how we long to reflect a portion of that devotion back to you. As we dedicate our offerings to you, lead us away from our tendency to hold back and worry that there will not be enough. Help us to live as the people of love and abundance you have called us to be. In Christ, we pray. Amen. (John 3:1-17)

*Hymn of Sending—372 Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

*Charge and Benediction *Please stand if able. Postlude