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, Dr. Andrew Davis, Dennis Dale, Cathy Fullerton.

Announcements:

Pastor Jim will be out of town next Sunday. Bobby Justus will be preaching.

We are planning a Spring Cleaning day Saturday June 10th. We will begin at 9:30 and work til lunchtime. Hope you can be with us.

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Grassy Creek Presbyterian May 14, 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:

Preparation for the Word

Call to Worship
Do not let your hearts be troubled
Trust in God; Trust in Jesus.
Christ has gone to prepare a place for us.
Christ will lead us to be with Him.
We know the way to the place where Jesus is.
Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.
Come, let us join together on the journey of faith.
Come, let us follow Jesus, who is the Way. Amen.

*Hymn of Praise—276 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Unison Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we come to You confessing that we have looked the other way, ignored our neighbor in need, and have given in to selfish gain. We confess we have put our own lives above the lives of others, basing our needs on our desires instead of seeing the needs of the world around us. Forgive us. Call us to live as You lived, to lay down our lives for one another, to seek forgiveness from one another and to reach out to one another in mutual love and concern. In the name of Jesus, who continues to show us the Way, we pray. (A moment of silent confession) Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. And we can never lose The Way. We can always turn back and find forgiveness, healing, and restoration, because Jesus laid down his life for us. May we know the truth of God's love, and love one another. Thanks be to God. Amen.

The Word Proclaimed

First LessonPsalm 31: 1- 5, 15-16Leader: The Word of the Lord.People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: Faith of Our Mothers

Second Lesson

John 14: 1-14

Sermon:

The Way Home Jim Taylor, CLP

Response to the Word

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

*Affirmation of Faith—Brief Statement of Faith (insert)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: What A Friend We Have in Jesus

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving

We offer our gifts so that others may not feel alone, eat alone, live alone, or be alone, but that they may be surrounded by your grace and love through us and the lives we offer to them. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

*Hymn of Sending—539 Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise

*Charge and Benediction *Please stand if able.

Brief Statement of Faith—Jesus

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

People:

We trust in Jesus Christ, Fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

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With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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