

Pastoral Concerns:

Bernice Hamrick, Lisa Thomas, Becky Justus, Bobby Justus, Sylvia Mahaney, Pat Medley, Vickie Hughes, Deborah Harkins, Wendy Blake, Helen Haberneck, Erin Haberneck, Carrol Marshall, 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:

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

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Grassy Creek Presbyterian

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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: *Called As Partners (343)*

Preparation for the Word

Call to Worship

God has given us everything

God has given us new life in Christ.

God has called us to be one in Christ

Jesus calls upon us to love one another as God loves us.

Jesus laid down his life for us

And so we are called to lay down our lives for one another.

Come, let us worship our God

Let us follow Jesus, who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Amen.

**Hymn of Praise—466 O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

Unison Prayer of Confession

God of glory: we are so busy watching the skies for signs of your presence that we forget to look around to see those we can serve in your name. We are so intent on finding just the right way to tell someone off, that we forget the words of reconciliation you have taught to us. We are so convinced we can figure out your schedule that we forget to open ourselves to the presence of your Spirit within us. Mighty source of our lives, forgive us for all that we have done to others. Fill us with the wisdom to resist evil in our lives and strengthen us in that faith which is given to us through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

(A moment of silent confession) Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Beloved, do not be surprised. Our God is gracious to all, restoring us to new life.

This is the good news which is for us, and for everyone we will meet in the days to come. Thanks be to God. We are forgiven.

The Word Proclaimed

First Lesson

Acts 1: 6-14

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: *Sing Out a Song*

Second Lesson

John 17: 1-11

Sermon:

Last Words of Love

Pastor Jim Taylor

Response to the Word

****Hymn of Response—422 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending***

****Affirmation of Faith—The Apostles' Creed***

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: *At The Name of Jesus (148)*

****Doxology***

****Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving***

Holy God of Heaven and Earth: As we remember Christ's ascension this very morning, we pray that we might not be found looking to heaven for his return, but into the faces of those who walk the earth with us. May we join together in this common dance of faith to include all those whom you love - the stranger, the outcast, the oppressed, the enemy, the unloved, and the unlovely. Serving them in your name until all have joined the dance of your heavenly love. In the name of your blessed Son, we pray. Amen. (*Acts 1:6-14*)

****Hymn of Sending—144 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!***

****Charge and Benediction***

****Please stand if you are able.***