

### **Pastoral Concerns:**

Bernice Hamrick, Lisa Thomas, Becky Justus, Bobby Justus, Sylvia Mahaney, Pat Medley, Vickie Hughes, Deborah Harkins, Faye Greer, Helen 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, Leshia Justus, Eveline Horrell, Judy Weger, Conner Miller, Bobby and Becky 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, Erin and Jaik Halpainy, Betty Pendley, Ava Holifield, Michelle Bonner, the family of Ben Connor, Christian Hall, Everyone dealing with the destruction of Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria, the families dealing with the tragic shooting in Las Vegas, the family of Pete Peterson.

### **Announcements:**

The Session will meet today at 2:30

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## **Grassy Creek Presbyterian**

*October 15, 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: *Morning Has Broken***

#### **Preparation for the Word**

#### **Call to Worship**

God invites us to the banquet table;

**Many are called, but few choose to respond.**

God has prepared a feast for us in the presence of all;

**A table which has no end, in which the shroud of death has been removed forever.**

God is waiting for us to join in;

**We have been waiting for God our whole lives, and God has opened the door.**

Come, join the banquet table of God;

**Come, accept the invitation to God's ways of love, peace, and justice. Amen.**

*\*Hymn of Praise—267 All Things Bright and Beautiful*

## **Unison Prayer of Confession**

You would call us to your feast, Inviting God, but our busy lives keep us from responding. You remember every word we utter, every prayer we whisper, but we forget all the little ways you care for us. You would make your gentleness known through us, but we lash out in anger and fear towards others. Forgive us, God of all hope, and remember your Servant, Jesus Christ. In him, we can live in your way. Through him, we can learn the dreams you have for us. With him, we can open our arms and embrace all the people we meet. Hear now the confessions of our hearts.

*(a moment of silent confession)* Amen.

## **Assurance of Pardon**

As we are forgiven by God, we can begin to reflect on all those ways in which we can live justly, act honorably, love completely. This is indeed good news for us.

**At the Wedding Feast, we are fed with grace, and nourished with joy, so we may go and bring hope and peace to everyone we meet. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## **The Word Proclaimed**

### **First Lesson**

**Isaiah 25: 1-9**

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**Anthem: *The Wonder of it All Medley***

### **Second Lesson**

**Matthew 22: 1-14**

## **Sermon:**

**The Wedding Feast**

**Pastor Jim Taylor**

## **Response to the Word**

*\*Hymn of Response—285 God, You Spin the Whirling Planets*

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

**Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

**Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory— *It's Real***

**\*Doxology**

**\*Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving**

Gracious God, we thank you for the invitation to live in fullness and joy, robed in your grace and mercy. Use the gifts of our lives and blessings, which we offer to you now, that the wedding feast may continue, and the doors be open wide for all those whom you invite and welcome. We offer these gifts in the name of the Son; Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

*\*Hymn of Sending—276 Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

**\*Charge and Benediction**

*\*Please stand if you are able.*