

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

September 25, 2022

THE GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *All Things Bright and Beautiful* arr. Hayes

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: The Holy One says to us:

People: When you call me, I will answer you.

Leader: The Most High promises us:

People: I will be with you in trouble; I will rescue you and honor you.

Leader: Let us call to the Almighty!

All: Let us worship God!

*HYMN 267 *Come Christians, Join to Sing* MADRID

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Grace, you are always more ready to forgive our shortcomings than we are willing to admit them. You give us great promise for our living, and we laugh at you, thinking that we are no good. You call us to difficult and inspiring missions, but we busy ourselves with other things that we decide are more important. You challenge us to have courage, but we shrink back into safety. Bring us new life, God, so that the spirit of Christ may shine in us.

Time for silent confession

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

* GLORIA PATRI 582

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen. (Sing 3 times)
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

THE WORD

TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 146

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Jeremiah 32: 1-3a, 6-15

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON *Practice Resurrection* Rev. Beth Newman

CHORAL ANTHEM *Canon of Praise* Hart

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from Romans 8

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; and we know that in everything God works for good with those who love him, who are called according to his purpose. We are sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

GIVING THANKS

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

MUSIC FOR THE OFFERING *Offertory* Beck

*THE DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts.
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*PRAYER AFTER THE OFFERING

*HYMN 697 *Take My Life* HENDON

SENDING

*BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION
*May the love of God go with you from this place.
May your hours and days show forth His praise.*

*POSTLUDE *Rondeau* Callahan

**Rise in body or spirit.*

The Call to Worship is from *Connections Worship Companion* by David Gambrell

The Prayer of Confession is adapted from *Flames of the Spirit*, by Ruth Duck

Leading in worship today:

Transitional Pastor: Rev. Beth Newman

Minister of Music: Rev. Rachel Lackey

Elder of the Month: Dan Manley

Announcements

WELCOME VISITORS! If you are worshipping here for the first time today, Welcome! We are glad to have you join in our worship service.

SPECIAL OFFERING: In the bulletin there are envelopes to give to the Peace & Global Witness Special Offering through October 2nd. Through this offering we connect with each other to fight injustice and promote reconciliation in places around the world. 25% of this offering stays with our church to support peacemaking and reconciliation in our own community.

SUNDAY SERVICE: Sunday service is at 11:00 am in the Sanctuary. It is also on Facebook Live Stream.

CHURCH NURSERY: Josie Parker, who ran our nursery before the COVID epidemic, is back with us most Sundays. We still need to organize dates for volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering please let us know and thank you to those who have already signed up.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR YOUTH AND TEENS: Middle and High School Sunday School has resumed with Amanda Caldwell leading discussion-based classes with videos from the Bible Project.

HOMEcoming POTLUCK DINNER: Sunday, October 2nd, which is World Communion Day, we will have a potluck dinner. Please join your church for a meal and fellowship after the service.

SESSION MEETING: The regular Session Meeting will be after worship service this Sunday the 25th.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

Choir Practice - Every Sunday at 9:45 a.m.

Communion - Every first Sunday of the month.

Bible Study - Every Wednesday at 11:00 a.m.

Men's Breakfast - Every Thursday at 8:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Daily Change Offering - Every second Sunday of each month.

Presbyterian Women - The first Tuesday of every month at 1:00 p.m.

Coffee & Fellowship - Every first Sunday after worship service.

Crafting with Jackie - Every first and third Wednesday of the month from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Manna Express - Fourth Friday of every month in the First Baptist Church parking lot from 10:00 a.m. until 12 noon.

Food Pantry - Every Tuesday 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. and every Friday 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon.

Giving Spoon - Every Monday 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. and every Thursday 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

AA Meetings - Monday at noon, Tuesday 5:30 p.m., Thursday at noon, and Saturday at 7:00 p.m.

A Word of Thanks - Jim McGowan and Bill Rumph recently built a sturdy and much needed counter in the Hut kitchen. This will work so much better for flower arranging (done by Sue Jordan and Frela Beck) and for the Elders preparing Communion. The Hut is used by the Adult Sunday School Class, Bible Study, Presbyterian Women, AA, and for committee meetings. Please check out the new counter and thank Jim and Bill for sharing their talents.



YTD Financials	
Unrestricted Giving	\$100,786
Operating Expenses	\$ 95,170
Operating Excess/Deficit	\$ 5,616
Manse Donations	\$15,500
Manse Renovation Expense	\$ 20,283
Excess/Deficit	\$ 833

BCPC Elders: Mark Brannon, Collin Caldwell, Drew Campbell, Kyle Colley, Cathy Evans, Dawn Letterman, Carol Sussman, Dan Manley, Bob Jordan

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Mission Statement of Bryson City Presbyterian Church

We seek to follow Jesus Christ as we . . .

Engage and encourage one another in worship and fellowship

Learn together as we grow in discipleship and

Reach out in love.

