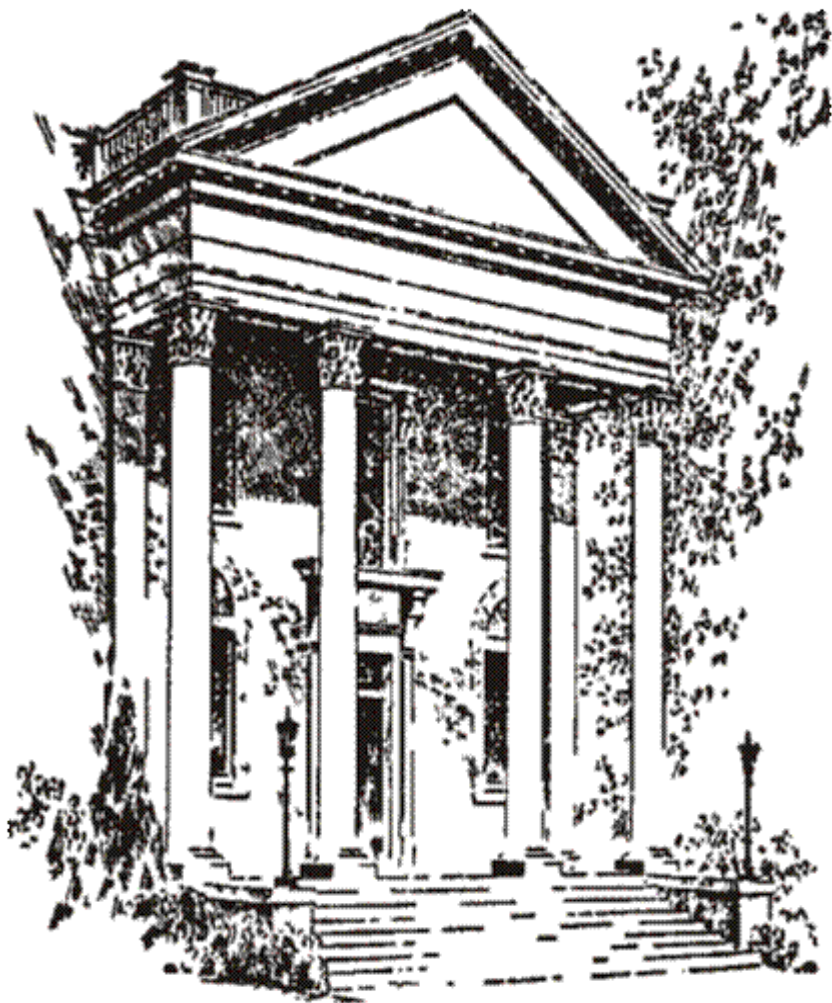




The Beckley Presbyterian Church
203 South Kanawha Street
Beckley, West Virginia 25801



April 23, 2017
2nd Sunday of Easter

GREETINGS AND WELCOME TO VISITORS

ASSEMBLE IN PRAISE OF GOD

PRELUDE *Voluntary in A major, Op. 7, no. 1* John Stanley
(1712-1786)

CALL TO WORSHIP 1 Peter 1:3-4, 8-9

Leader: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord
 Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given
 us a new birth into a living hope through the
 resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

**People: and into an inheritance that is imperishable,
 undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you.**

Leader: Although you have not seen him, you love him;

**People: and even though you do not see him now,
 you believe in him and rejoice with
 an indescribable and glorious joy,**

Leader: for you are receiving the outcome of your faith,
 the salvation of your souls.

PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison)

Ever-present God, who by the power of the Holy Spirit transforms us individually and as a church to be your dwelling place, confront us here in the midst of our doubts, grant us your peace while we face our fears, and increase our trust that we may embrace life in all its fullness. Speak to us now the word that we need, empowering us to be a unifying presence in our broken world. Amen.

* **HYMN #238**

Thine is the Glory

LITANY OF ASSURANCE Acts 2:25-26, 28, 32

Leader: 'I saw the Lord always before me,

**People: for he is at my right hand
 so that I will not be shaken;**

Leader: therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;

People: moreover my flesh will live in hope.

Leader: You have made known to me the ways of life;

People: you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

All: This Jesus God raised up,
and of that all of us are witnesses.

* **KYRIE ELEISON Hymn #551**

Lord, Have Mercy

* **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts.
To this peace we were called as members of a single body.
Please greet or respond to one another;
The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

* **RESPONSE (Sung) - Glory Be to the Father - #581**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

ANTHEM

Hymn of Promise

Natalie Sleeth

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

We invite children and youth ages 3 through 8th Grade to come forward for a special message. Afterwards, a nursery is provided for children 5 and under.

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

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Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

* **HYMN #463**

How Firm a Foundation

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Hands on Faith

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

* **AFFIRMATION** “The Apostles’ Creed” (Traditional) (Unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God The Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**CALL FOR THE OFFERING****OFFERING**

While the offering is collected, please sign the Friendship Pad and pass it along your pew. When everyone in your row has signed, please return the pad noting the names of those worshipping with you today.

Offertory *Sonata III in A major, Op. 65, No. 3: III. Andante Tranquillo*
Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

* Doxology

Thomas Ken, 1709

Geistliche Kirchengesänge, Cologne, 1623

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures here be - low: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise him a - bove ye heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost: O praise him, O praise him, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

*Prayer of Dedication

GOD'S PEOPLE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

* HYMN #318

In Christ There Is No East or West

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

* CHORAL RESPONSE *The Lord Bless You and Keep You* Lutkin

POSTLUDE *In dir ist Freude, BWV 615* Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)

*The sympathy of the congregation
is extended to Lannie Gillenwater
on the death of his mother Beulah Gillenwater
who joined the church triumphant on April 16, 2017*

*If you are able, please stand for items marked *
Portions in **bold type** are for congregational participation.*

*Please silence all electronic devices
and refrain from texting during the service.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS - We are so glad that you are here worshipping with us today. If this is your first time worshipping with us, please fill out the visitor card available in the pews and place it in the offering plate.

WELCOME - We are pleased to welcome Barbara Chalfant back to our pulpit today. Barbara is the Associate for Mission for the Presbytery of WV responsible for the areas of Older Adult Ministry, Hunger Action, Social Justice, Peacemaking and Disaster needs. She is a Certified Educator and has served congregations in DC, Tennessee, Pennsylvania and Virginia. She is originally from Charlottesville, VA.

WE WELCOME AGAIN today, our guest organist, Dr. Kipp Cortez, Professor of Organ and Carillon at Concord University! We have enjoyed Kipp's music, especially in the recent Bach Recital. Tim is away this weekend, serving as Guest Conductor for the second time for the Annual Handbell Festival at Riverside Church – New York City.

THE FLOWERS in the sanctuary are placed this morning to the Glory of God by Rita and Jerry Johnson.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - There will be a congregational meeting held **Sunday, May 7**, at the close of worship for the election of officers.

CHILDREN'S WELCOME BAGS - Welcome to worship! Visiting children, ages 3 - 5th grade please take one of the "guest" bags located on a stand in the back of the sanctuary. We are so glad you are here! Please return your guest bag following worship.

LARGE PRINT HYMNS for today's service are available in the back of the church.

OUR PRAYERS go out to these churches today: Clifton Presbyterian Church, Maxwelton Elk Hills Presbyterian Church, Charleston Glenville Presbyterian Church; Thageini Parish in the Nyeri Presbytery.

OUR THANKS to Marie Lewis for 'Cookies in the Witherspoon Room' to Betsy Gilmer Lay Reader, Time for Young Disciples Leader Helen Walker, Robin VanMeter Nursery Assistant and to this week's greeters Walt and Betty Klingensmith.

ELDERS ON CALL

April 23-29 Betsy Gilmer & Peggy Debnam

SUNDAY SCHOOL is at 9:45 a.m. Children and youth classes are held in the Educational Building on the upper floor. *The Present Word Class* meets in Friendship Hall.

FELLOWSHIP and refreshments are available in the Witherspoon Room during the Sunday School hour.

NURSERY CARE is provided in the Educational Building from 9:30 a.m. to noon for newborn to age 5.

RESTROOMS are located on either side of the sanctuary on the landing going downstairs to the Friendship Hall. **Men's Restroom** on the **right landing** and **Ladies** on the **left landing**. **Handicapped Accessible Restrooms** are located in the back of the sanctuary and the parking lot entrance hallway leading to the Friendship Hall.

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, APRIL 23

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
10:55 a.m. - Worship
12:00 p.m.-Ministry of Christian Ed-
Witherspoon Room
7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

MONDAY, APRIL 24

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.
6:00 p.m.- Session

TUESDAY, APRIL 25

9:00 a.m. - Shepherd's Center
10 a.m. - Tuesday Morning in
Witherspoon
8:00 p.m. - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

11:00 a.m.-The Carpenter's Corner
Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg
6:30 p.m.-Book Club- Witherspoon
Rm

THURSDAY, APRIL 27

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.
6:00 p.m. - Handbells
7:15 p.m. - Choir

FRIDAY, APRIL 28

8:00 p.m. - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

SUNDAY, APRIL 30

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
10:55 a.m. - Worship
7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

“The mission of Beckley Presbyterian Church is to glorify God through the nurturing and equipping of our congregation to manifest our faith throughout God’s creation with love, joy, hope, and open hearts.”

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