

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



February 19, 2017 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

GREETINGS AND WELCOME TO VISITORS

ASSEMBLE IN PRAISE OF GOD

PRELUDE Veni, Creator Spiritus Alec Wyton

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We lift up our eyes to the hills,

from where will our help come?

People: Our help comes from the LORD,

who made heaven and earth.

Leader: The LORD will keep us from all evil;

he will keep our life.

All: The LORD will keep our going out and

our coming in from this time on and forevermore.

PRAYER OF THE DAY Psalm 119:33-40 NIV (Unison)

Teach me, LORD, the way of your decrees, that I may follow it to the end. Give me understanding, so that I may keep your law and obey it with all my heart. Direct me in the path of your commands, for there I find delight. Turn my heart toward your statutes and not toward selfish gain. Turn my eyes away from worthless things; preserve my life according to your word. Fulfill your promise to your servant, so that you may be feared. Take away the disgrace I dread, for your laws are good. How I long for your precepts! In your righteousness preserve my life. Amen.

* HYMN #463

How Firm A Foundation

* CALL TO CONFESSION

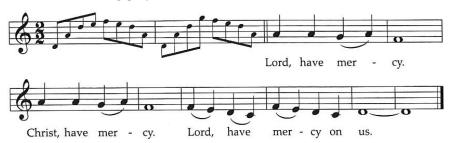
* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Patient God, we have come again. We have come again because the burden of sin is heavy, and we can't bear it alone. We have come again because we long to hear news that is good. We have come again because there is no one else to help. Hear our cries. Receive our prayers. Heal our hurts. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer

bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image. Remind us that we always have a place to come, that we always have a God compassionate to care, and powerful enough to redeem. O God, hear our prayers.

(silent confession)

* KYRIE ELEISON



* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* 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 Built on a Rock Alec Wyton

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

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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.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8

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Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

* HYMN #753

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

SERMON

The Bluestone Experience

Matthew 16:13-18; Matthew 26:31-35; John 21:15-17

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 worshiping with you today.

Offertory Veni Emmanuel Alec Wyton

*Doxology (Sung) #606
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly Host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

GOD'S PEOPLE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

* HYMN #321

The Church's One Foundation

- * CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
- * CHORAL RESPONSE The Lord Bless You and Keep You Lutkin

POSTLUDE Fanfare on Victory Alec Wyton

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.

^{*}Prayer of Dedication

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS - We are so glad that you are here worshiping with us today. If this is your first time worshiping 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 Mark Miller to our pulpit today. Mark and his wife Cheryl are the onsite Resident Camp Director and Food Service Manager at Bluestone Camp & Retreat, our Presbytery's center for outdoor camping and retreat ministry. They have been at Bluestone for 25 years.

THE FLOWERS in the sanctuary are placed this morning to the Glory of God and in memory of our years at Beckley Presbyterian Church, in memory of Barbara who died in December 2007, her mother Clara Huey who died in June 2007, and in honor of our wedding anniversary, by Rev. Fritz Schilling and loving family; in memory of her beloved daughter, Paula and husband, Bill whose birthday is today by June Morris.

TODAY we will receive our monthly Cents-Ability Offering and Food for Helping Hands.

ASH WEDNESDAY - Our Ash Wednesday worship service will be held on **Wednesday, March 1st** at **7 p.m**. If you would like to attend the **6 p.m. supper** prior to the service, there is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church.

DISPLAY IN THE WITHERSPOON ROOM - Please stop by the Witherspoon Room to view the Collection of Snowmen provided by Betsy Gilmer. Betsy's collection will be on display through the end of February.

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.

WOMEN'S RETREAT - The Women of Old Stone Presbyterian Church are hosting a Women's Retreat on **Saturday, March 25, 2017**, from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Detailed information and Registration forms are available in the back of the Sanctuary. Registration Deadline is Sunday, March 5th.

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

OUR PRAYERS go out to these churches today: Lakeview Presbyterian Church, Lakebottom and Oak Grove Presbyterian Church, Hillsboro in the Presbytery of West Virginia; Giaichamwenge Church, Giakanja Parish in the Nyeri Presbytery.

OUR THANKS to Valerie Hartling for 'Cookies in the Witherspoon Room' to Lay Reader Helen Walker, Time for Young Disciples Leader Jennifer Blankenship, Nursery Assistant Robin Feldhake and to this week's greeter Valerie Hartling.

ELDERS ON CALL

February 19 - 25 - Charles McNeel & Peggy Debnam **February 26 - March 4** - Al Combs

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.

"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."

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Food for Helping Hands Cents-Ability Offering 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School 10:55 a.m. - Worship

7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

5:30 p.m. - Ministry of Church Growth/ Service Mtg. - Friendship Hall

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

9:00 a.m. - Shepherd's Center

10:00 a.m. - Knitting Group -Witherspoon Room

4:30 p.m. - Ministry of Admin. Meeting - Witherspoon Room

6:30 p.m. - Cub Scout Meeting -Friendship Hall

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

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

11:00 a.m. - The Carpenter's Corner

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

6:00 p.m. - Kitchen Committee -Friendship Hall

6:30 p.m. - Book Club -Friendship Hall

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

5:00 p.m - Property Meeting

6:00 p.m. - Handbells

7:15 p.m. - Choir

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24

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

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25

PWV Meeting at First Pres. in

Charleston

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Transfiguration of the Lord

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

10:55 a.m. - Worship with Holy Communion

7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

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SESSION

Class of 2016-2017	Class of 2017-2018	Class of 2018-2019
Al Combs	Dan Calvert	Nancy Cameron
Peggy Debnam	Ross Hageman	Bill Hartling
Betsy Gilmer	Nancy Kissinger	Karen Reed
Jack Schroder	Charles McNeel	Clyde Smith
Scott Van Meter	Ann Worley	Mac Tieche
Peggy White		

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