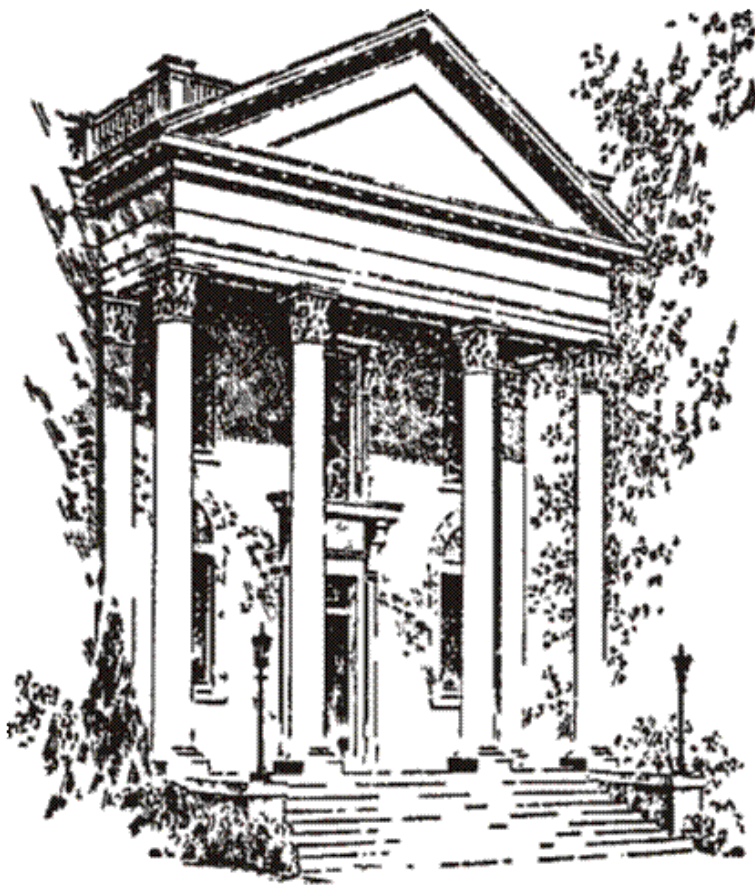




The Beckley Presbyterian Church
203 South Kanawha Street
Beckley, West Virginia 25801



November 26, 2017
Christ the King Sunday

"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."

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

GREETINGS AND WELCOME TO VISITORS

WE GATHER AND CONFESS

PRELUDE

A joyful Ring
BPC Handbell Choir

Barbara Kinyon

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive)*

Bill Hartling

The Lord God is our shepherd.

**We are the people of God's pasture,
the sheep of God's hand.**

God will seek the lost, feed the hungry, and strengthen the weak.

But the proud and power-hungry will be fed with justice.

* HYMN 263

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Together)*

Sovereign God, we confess that we are not ready for your holy realm.

You guide us toward right paths, but we refuse to follow where you lead.

You love and feed and care for us, but we fail to love and serve others.

Forgive us, merciful God, so that we may return to your fold and rejoice in your presence;

through Jesus Christ our Lord, the Lamb upon the throne.

Amen. *(Silence is kept.)*

* HYMN 551

Lord Have Mercy

Kyrie Eleison

Lord, have mercy; Christ Have mercy;

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy;

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON A Dramatic Adaptation of Walter Wangerin's
"The Ragman"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* STATEMENT OF FAITH *(Together; Romans 8:31b-39, NRSV)*

If God is for us, who is against us? ³²He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us.* ³⁵Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶As it is written, 'For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.'

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor 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.

MOMENTS FOR MISSION

Carlos E. Rivera– Aponte
Puerto Rican Musician

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING

Please sign the Friendship Pad and pass it along your pew. At this time you may also fill out the Encouragement Cards located in the back of the pews and place them in the collection plate.

Offertory

Rejoice the Lord is King
BPC Chancel Choir

Henry Pfohl

- * **HYMN 606** *Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow* Doxology
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.

- * **PRAYER OF DEDICATION** *(Together)*

Holy God, use us, and these gifts, to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and honor your presence in all people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- * **HOLY COMMUNION** *(insert)*

GOD'S PEOPLE GO INTO THE WORLD

- * **HYMN 268** *Crown Him with Many Crowns*
- * **CHARGE AND BLESSING**
- * **CHORAL RESPONSE** *The Lord Bless You and Keep You* Lutkin

POSTLUDE

A Festive Intrada
BPC Handbell Choir

Cynthia Dobrinski

We invite you to sit and listen to the Postlude before you leave worship. At this time Pastor Jim will be at the Baptism Font with oil for healing, anointing or personal prayer.

GO IN PEACE!

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 blue visitor card available in the pews and place it in the offering plate. If you are participating in Beckley Presbyterian Church and you would like to become a member, please speak with our Pastor Jim Burton. His information is available on the back of the bulletin.

THE FLOWERS in the sanctuary are placed this morning to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Sallie who died November 30, 2008 by Ron Shrewsbury.

WE NEED COOKIES ... Lots of them!!! - The Beckley Christmas Parade is **Saturday, December 2nd**. We will be serving hot chocolate and cookies in front of the church. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the Sanctuary.

HO! HO! HO! Are you looking for a little gift for a special someone. We have a nicely bound collection of Beckley Presbyterian Church recipes for you! They are \$20.00 and available in the church office. Get your copy or a copy as a gift today!

HELPING HANDS for the month we are going to be collecting Peanut Butter. So bring your jar, any size, any or all Sundays in December and place in the basket at the back of the sanctuary.

ADOPT-A-CHILD we are taking up monetary donations for children at the Raleigh County Headstart this year. Envelopes are available at the back of the church. Church Growth will be buying and wrapping the gifts and Santa will distribute them at the Headstart Christmas party.

HANGING OF THE GREENS we will be **Tuesday, November 28th**. Dinner will be at 6:00 p.m. and decorating will take place afterwards. So come join us for a little work and a lot of fun!

OUR PRAYERS go out today to the Marlinton Presbyterian Church and McElhenney Presbyterian Church, Grassy Meadows in the Presbytery of West Virginia; Kigogoini Church in the Wandumbi Parish in the Nyeri Presbytery.

OUR THANKS to Marie Lewis for 'Cookies in the Witherspoon Room' to Bill Hartling Lay Reader, to Pastor Jim Time for Young Disciples Leader, Ann Worley Nursery Assistant, to this week's greeter Sue Shaffer. And to Jody and Lynn Clowers for preparing the communion.

The Names used in the presentation "The Ragman" today are purely fictional and do not pertain to anyone past or present and are merely used for dramatic purpose.

ELDERS ON CALL

Nov 26-Dec 2-Mary Calvert and Dan Calvert

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. Pastor Jim's class will meet in the Chapel.

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, November 26

Christ the King Sunday

9:45 a.m.-Sunday School

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

7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

MONDAY, November 27

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

6:00 p.m.-Session

TUESDAY, November 28

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

6:00 p.m.-Dinner and Hanging of
The Greens-Fellowship Hall

6:30 p.m.-Cub Scouts

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

THURSDAY, November 30

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg

6:00 p.m.-Handbells

7:15 p.m.-Choir

FRIDAY, December 1

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

SATURDAY, December 2

12:00 p.m.-Parade and Cookies after
The Parade

SUNDAY, December 3

9:45 a.m.-Sunday School

10:55 a.m. - Worship

7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

WEDNESDAY, November 29

Pipe Line

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg

6:00 p.m.-Steering Committee Mtg-
Fellowship Hall

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The Reverend Jim Burton, Pastor, Ext. 6
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Charles McNeel
Ann Worley

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Nancy Cameron
Bill Hartling
Karen Reed
Clyde Smith
Mac Tieche

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Al Combs
Betsy Gilmer
Drema Davis
Mary Calvert
David Sotak
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Rachel McNeel
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The Reverend Jim Burton, Moderator
Patricia A. Lester, Clerk of Session

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