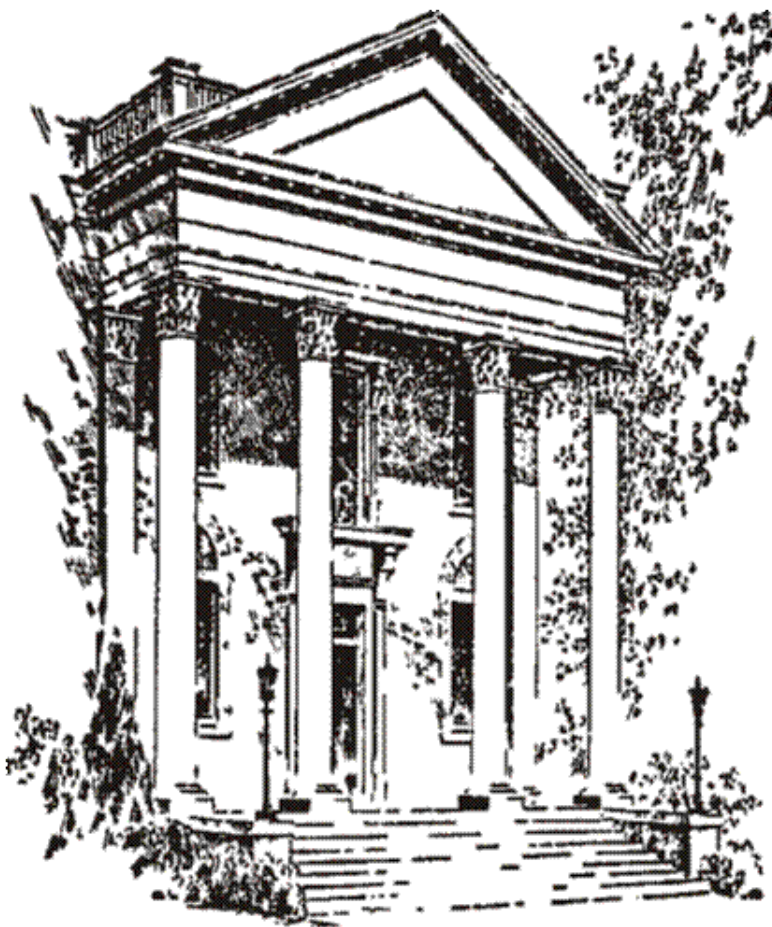




The Beckley Presbyterian Church
203 South Kanawha Street
Beckley, West Virginia 25801



January 14, 2018
2nd Sunday after Epiphany

"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

INTERIM INFORMATION

WE GATHER AND CONFESS

PRELUDE

Divinum Mysterium

Wilbur Held

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Reflections over the today's Readings)* Dan Calvert

You have called us by name and made us your children.

Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening.

You have searched us and known us.

Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening.

You have accompanied us in work and in rest.

Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening.

You are always with us until the end of our days.

Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening.

Let us pray together

You invite us, O God, to live in your ways, and you give us to each other to know and to love as we journey in this life.

Show us your will for all creation. Help us to listen to your urgings with prayerful hearts so that we may honor what you have made, in the name of the holy Trinity, one God, now and forever. Amen.

* HYMN 634

To God Be the Glory

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION *((John 1:1-18))*

Holy God, you see into each of us and know us fully as creatures in need of your constant care. We confess that we have neither heard your word nor followed your will. We have failed our nation, neighbors, families, friends, and ourselves. Give us ears to hear your wisdom. Lead us to honesty and faith so that we may begin again with renewed strength; in Jesus' name, we pray: 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.

* **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS and LOVE**

God knows the hearts of those of us who seek forgiveness, and by grace we have been saved.

In Jesus' name we are forgiven.

Our sins are no more.

We have been made clean.

God strengthens us with freedom through the Holy Spirit, in Christ Jesus.

* **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.

* **HYMN 581** *Glory Be to the Father* Response
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.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

ANTHEM *Jesus Christ, The Apple Tree* Elizabeth Poston

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES Helen Walker

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 (*Together*)

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT

1 Samuel 3:1-20

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Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18 Page 577

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

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SERMON

“Just Where is the Gospel Light?”

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

* **STATEMENT OF FAITH** “The Apostles’ Creed” (*Traditional, Together*)

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.

MOMENTS FOR MISSION

PASTORS PRAYER Former Pastors and Religious Personalities

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*...In Joy or in sadness; **we do not walk alone.***

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING (*John 1:51*)

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.

- * **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)*
 Bless in every way, O Lord, the gifts of the people here given. Enrich the ministries of your people and make us grateful to be able to let go of the things we do not, finally, own.
 Amen

GOD'S PEOPLE GO INTO THE WORLD

- * **HYMN 69** *Here Am I Lord*
- * **CHARGE AND BLESSING** *(Responsive)*
 Go into the world, searching out God's path.
We go, knowing that God always goes with us.
 Go with the courage to speak God's challenging word.
We go humbly, pointing to God's presence in our lives.
 Go into the world, as bearers of God's blessing.
May we be a blessing to all our world. Amen.

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

POSTLUDE

Choral Song

Samuel Sebastian Wesley

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 their parents Vince and Retha Calvert and Pete and Virginia Akers by Dan and Mary Calvert and family.

OPEN FLOWER DATES we have three open flower dates January 21, February 4 and February 25th, if you would like to place flowers on the alter in memory or in honor of a loved one, please call Betsy Gilmer at (304A)253-8923 or betsygilmer@yahoo.com.

NEXT SUNDAY, January 21, 2017, we will receive our monthly Cents-Ability Offering and Food for Helping Hands.

CALLED SESSION MEETING –**Today** there will be a Called Session Meeting, at the close of worship in the Witherspoon room to.

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

OUR PRAYERS go out today to DuPont City Presbyterian Church, Belle Frankford Presbyterian Church, and Hughes River Presbyterian Church, Cairo in the Presbytery of West Virginia; Gichira Church in the Gaaki Parish in the Nyeri Presbytery.

OUR THANKS to Robin Feldhake for 'Cookies in the Witherspoon Room' to Dan Calvert Lay Reader, to Helen Walker Time for Young Disciples Leader, Nancy Hageman Nursery Assistant, to this week's greeter Judy Harrah.

ELDERS ON CALL
Jan 14-20 —Al Combs
Jan 21-27—Patricia Lester

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, January 14

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

9:45 a.m.-Sunday School

10:55 a.m. - Worship

12:00 p.m.-Called Session Mtg-

Witherspoon Room

7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

THURSDAY, January 18

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg

6:00 p.m.-Handbell's

7:15 p.m.-Choir

FRIDAY, January 19

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

MONDAY, January 15

Office Closed

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

SATURDAY, January 20

12:00 p.m.-PW luncheon

TUESDAY, January 16

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

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

SUNDAY, January 21

3rd Sunday after the Epiphany

9:45 a.m.-Sunday School

10:55 a.m.-Worship

7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

WEDNESDAY, January 17

9:00 a.m.— The Book Club-

Fellowship Hall

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg

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Ann Worley

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Bill Hartling
Karen Reed
Clyde Smith
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Betsy Gilmer
Drema Davis
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David Sotak
Youth Representative
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The Reverend Jim Burton, Moderator
Patricia A. Lester, Clerk of Session

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