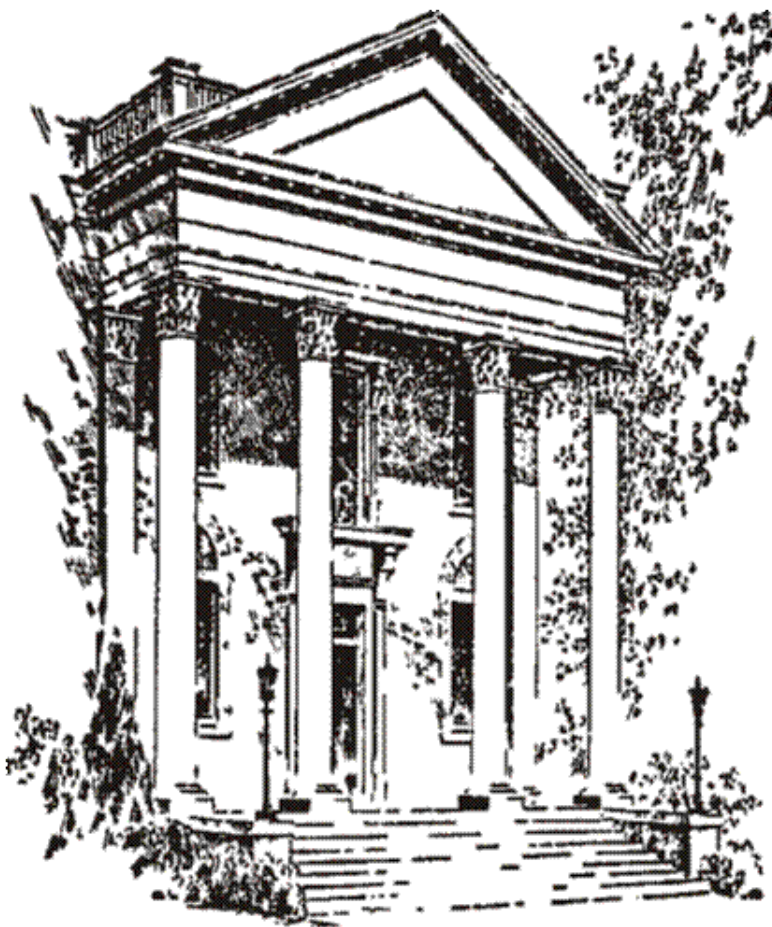




*The Beckley Presbyterian Church*  
*203 South Kanawha Street*  
*Beckley, West Virginia 25801*



**January 28, 2018**  
**4th 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

*Though I May Speak*

Dale Wood

### CALL TO WORSHIP *(Psalm 111)*

Al Combs

Come! Let us give thanks to the Lord with whole hearts.

**Fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.**

Glory be to the One whose wonders are to be remembered.

**Fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.**

The Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

**Fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.**

The Lord feeds the righteous with truth.

**Fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.**

Come! Let us give thanks to God.

Let us pray together ....

**Almighty God, Light from Light, who commands the universe and all that is made, your Word is the power that makes whole what is broken, the force of good, and the food of peace.**

**Teach us now as you taught in the synagogue. Heal us now so that in all that we say and do, the freedom we have in you may be for others, too; in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

### \* HYMN 15

*All Creatures of Our God and King*

V1-2 All, V3 All men, V4 Organ only, V5 All women,

V6 All, Everyone sing Alleluias

### \* CALL TO CONFESSION

### \* PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Together)*

**Holy and all-powerful God, who commands all spirits, comforts those in distress, and casts out destructive forces, we confess that we are unable to do your will. We protect what is familiar and reject what is unknown. We admire those with courage but excuse ourselves when we falter from the truth. We forget that you are always with us, and that with you all things are possible. Forgive us, lead us, make us new. Remove our desire to heed**

false prophets, and show us your way; in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, of us all. 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**

The God who made you and knows your every thought hears you now and forgives you all your sin.

**We have been redeemed through Jesus Christ, God's Son, our Savior, who is Alpha and Omega, all in all.**

\* **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.

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**                      *How Can I Keep from Singing*                      Timothy Shaw

**TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**                      Darlene McNeel

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)*                      Page 35

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**THE OLD TESTAMENT** Deuteronomy 18:15-20                      Page 174

Psalm 111 *(Responsive)*                      Page 562

<sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

<sup>2</sup> **Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.**

<sup>3</sup> Full of honor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures for ever.

- 4 **He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds; the LORD is gracious and merciful.**
- 5 He provides food for those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.
- 6 **He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the heritage of the nations.**
- 7 The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.
- 8 **They are established for ever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**
- 9 He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant for ever. Holy and awesome is his name.
- 10 **The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it\* have a good understanding. His praise endures for ever.**

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**\* HYMN 181**

*Silence! Frenzied, Unclean Spirit*

**THE GOSPEL**

Mark 1:21-28

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Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

“Spirits’ In the Church”

**CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP**

**WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

**\* STATEMENT OF FAITH** “The Apostles’ Creed” *(Together)* Page 35

**MOMENTS FOR MISSION**

**PASTORS PRAYER**

A Call for a Moral Revival

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Let us pray for the needs of the world, saying,

**Hear us, O God, your mercy is great.**

For the healing of Earth and all its creatures;

**Hear us, O God, your mercy is great.**

For the church’s willingness to cast out demons in its midst, for congregations that are in turmoil, for the healing of divisions between the followers of Christ Jesus;

**Hear us, O God, your mercy is great.**

For leaders of nations, for those who have great wealth, for those who have too much power, for those who have destructive weapons, and for those who have none;

**Hear us, O God, your mercy is great.**

For those who are victims of others' idolatry, for children who have no one to listen to their cries for food and shelter, for parents who cannot answer the needs of their children, for peacemakers and diplomats, for those who give through charities, and for those who use the law to make policies for the greater good;

**Hear us, O God, your mercy is great.**

For all who are in pain and in need of care, especially those we name now aloud or silently, ....*A time of silence is kept*

**Hear us, O God, your mercy is great. Amen.**

## INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

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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**

*Come, O Thou Traveler Unknown*

Dale Wood

\* **HYMN 606** *Praise God from Whom All Blessings 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 THANKSGIVING /DEDICATION**

For Earth, which you have molded, for creatures and animals, plants, water, air, and fire, for Jesus who died and rose again, for the breath of life, we give you thanks, O God.

Let these gifts be used for good wherever there is need, in the name of all that you have first given us, specially Christ Jesus, your Son, our Savior. Amen

## GOD'S PEOPLE GO INTO THE WORLD

\* **HYMN 12**

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

\* **CHARGE**

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.**

\* **BLESSING**

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

**POSTLUDE**     *O That I Had a Thousand Voices*     Paul Manz

*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 Warren A. Powell and Martin Williams by Sue Williams and family.

**OPEN FLOWER DATES** we have one remaining open flower date 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 (304)253-8923 or [betsygilmer@yahoo.com](mailto:betsygilmer@yahoo.com).

**SOUPER BOWL** Our youth will be collecting monetary and food donations on **Sunday, February 4** to fight hunger and poverty in our community. 100% of the money and food is then given directly to a local charity of the groups choice. Please help us support this great cause by bringing food and/or a monetary donation next Sunday!

**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 Pineville Presbyterian Church and Rock Forge Presbyterian Church, Morgantown in the Presbytery of West Virginia; the Gaaki Parish in the Nyeri Presbytery.

**OUR THANKS** to Karen Reed for 'Cookies in the Witherspoon Room, to Al Combs Lay Reader, to Darlene McNeel Time for Young Disciples Leader, Ann Worley Nursery Assistant, to this week's greeter Don and Debbie Goodson.

**ELDERS ON CALL**  
**Jan 28-Feb 3-Dan and Mary 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, January 28**

*4th Sunday after the Epiphany*

9:45 a.m.-Sunday School

10:55 a.m.-Worship

7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

**MONDAY, January 29**

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

6:00 p.m.-Session

**TUESDAY, January 30**

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

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

**WEDNESDAY, January 31**

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg

**THURSDAY, February 1**

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg

3:30 p.m.-Staff Meeting

6:00 p.m.-Handbell's

7:15 p.m.-Choir

**FRIDAY, February 2**

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

**SATURDAY, February 3**

**SUNDAY, February 4**

*5th Sunday after the Epiphany*

*Souper Bowl of Caring*

9:45 a.m.-Sunday School

10:55 a.m.-Worship

7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

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Nancy Kissinger  
Charles McNeel  
Ann Worley

### Class of 2018-2019

Nancy Cameron  
Bill Hartling  
Karen Reed  
Clyde Smith  
Mac Tieche

### Class of 2019-2020

Al Combs  
Betsy Gilmer  
Drema Davis  
Mary Calvert  
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