



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



April 1, 2018
Resurrection of the Lord
Easter 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

INTERIM INFORMATION

WE GATHER AND CONFESS

PRELUDE

With Timbrel and Dance
Handbell Choir

Maggie Tucker

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive; Psalm 118:24)*

Dan Calvert

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

This is the day that the Lord has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

Let us pray together

Holy One, you come to us with power beyond all knowing.

You lift all things out of the dust.

You breathe love into every cell.

You call us into communion with you.

You claim victory over death.

Blessed be your holy name now and forever. Amen.

* HYMN 232

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Together)*

You are all-knowing, all-powerful God. We confess that, even on this most holy day, we are unable to believe in the victory over death shown to us in the resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Lord. We confess our utter dependence on you not only for life but also for faith, hope, and love. Without your astonishing appearance to our ancestors and your stunning presence throughout the ages, we would be lost. Forgive us and transform us, that in every way our work and prayer will make whole what is broken and give peace on earth. Amen.

* **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** (*Psalm 118, 14, 17; JDB*)
By the grace of God and the witness of our ancestors, the good news
of Jesus' resurrection is our rock and our salvation.

**We shall not die but live. The rejected cornerstone has become
our strength and our song.**

I declare to you the forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, who lives and reigns as
Mother of us all, now and forever.

* **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 *Joy in the Morning* Natalie Sleeth

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 (Unison) (page 35)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 10:34-43 Page 129

This is the Word of the Lord.....**Thanks be to God.**

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SERMON

“Easter Is a Special Day.....For everyone!”

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

* HYMN 240

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks to the Risen Lord

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

MOMENTS FOR MISSION

One Great Hour of Sharing

PASTORS PRAYER

PRAYERS OF PEOPLE

...In Joy or in sadness; we choose to live as your Easter people.

INVITATION TO THE 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.

OFFERING

Offertory A Hymn of Glory Let us Sing -*Lasst uns Eferen* Paul Manz

* HYMN 609 *Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow* Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures high and low;

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Holy God, you shower us with gifts so abundant, we cannot measure them all. You give us life itself and the power to befriend our companions in this world. Bless these gifts for the sake of those in need, in the name of the Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier, one God, now and forever. Amen.

* HYMN 241

Woman, Weeping in the Garden

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table of the Lord:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

In every time and every age, O God, it is good and faithful that we give you thanks, for your mercy is sure and your steadfast love endures forever. In your compassion you gave us Christ Jesus, who frees us from darkness and lights our path to endless renewal and life eternal. And so, with all of creation, with all the needy and hungry ones, with all those who have enough and plenty, with creatures large and small, with sun and moon and stars, and with the saints of every age, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

(Sung) 552 **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are you, O God, creator of all things. By your power and love you continue to deliver your people from bondage, thwart the designs of evil, show the way through the wilderness, turn hardship into righteousness, and reveal your hand upholding the just.

Blessed are you, O Christ, servant of the universe. You came among us to feed and heal and teach, to confound the haughty, to confuse the tricksters, to challenge the wrong-hearted, and, in all these things, to give hope to those who long for peace.

We remember that on the night he was betrayed, having gathered his friends at the table, our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. And again, after supper, he took the cup and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering our Lord's self-giving love, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

(Sung) 553 **Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again. Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Blessed are you, O Spirit, giver of life. You give us words when we have none; you fill us with vision when we have the most need; you give us voice to proclaim our faith in every hour. Be our guide and teacher, today and always.

Come now, O Prince of Peace, Spirit of Love, Breath of Life. Bring to all this hurting world the joy that Mary knew, and teach us to proclaim with her, "I have seen the Lord!" In the unity of the Holy Trinity, in gratitude for this great day of resurrection, we praise you, God of all that is, now and forever. (Sung) 554 **Amen.**

Serving of the Children of God.

- * **STATEMENT OF FAITH** "The Apostles' Creed" (Together) Page 34

GOD'S PEOPLE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

- * **HYMN 245** *Christ the Lord is Risen Today!*

- * **CHARGE** *(Together, JDB)*

We go from here renewed and strong, knowing that the Lord is alive, almighty, and present. We look for the blessings that await us this week. We will weep with those who weep and we will rejoice with those who celebrate. This is the Easter Story and our story of hope to tell the world.

- * **BENEDICTION**

- * **CHORAL RESPONSE 241 v4-5** *Woman Weeping in the Garden*

POSTLUDE Now the Green Blade Riseth-*Noel Nowelet*
Paul Manz

We invite you to sit and listen to the Postlude before you leave worship.

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 ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING will be received today.

BOOK DISCUSSION Starting April 8th in the Chapel during Sunday School, Pastor Burton will be leading a discussion based on Paul Nixon's book **I REFUSE TO LEAD A DYING CHURCH**. The book can be made available. It is cheaper on **KINDLE**. The class will last six or seven weeks. Question: How can a church choose **Life over Death**.

OUR PRAYERS go out to these churches today Second Presbyterian Church, Huntington, Liberty Presbyterian Church, and Green Bank Mill Creek Presbyterian Church; Wamagana Church and nursery school, Giakanja Parish in the Nyeri Presbytery.

OUR THANKS to Dan Calvert Lay Reader , Helen Walker Time for Young Disciples Leader , Rachel Feldhake Nursery Assistant and to Dan and Mary Calvert who prepared communion and to this week's greeter Brenda Meadows.

EASTER FLOWERS - If you purchased an Easter Flower, please remember to take your flower following worship.

OFFICE CLOSED - The church office will be closed on Monday, April 2.

***The Flowers
are placed in the Sanctuary
this Easter morning to the Glory of God and***

In loving memory of

*Walt Klingensmith by Betty Klingensmith
and Family*

Cam Lewis by Marie Lewis

Roderic Branford by Kedric Branford

*Cam and Odessa Lewis, Cam and Susan Lewis
By the Lewis Family*

*My Husband John White and His good friend
Ollie Bates by Peggy White*

Meredith Trent by Pam T. Keyser

*My husband Bob and my cousin Jo Ann Akers
By Hester Thacker*

*Our Parents Freda and George Wilgus and
Neil and Brenda Kissinger
by Rich and Nancy Kissinger*

*My husband John Fairlie who loved flowers
By Marcia Fairlie*

*Elizabeth Walker, mother and grandmother
from her loving family Bob, Carol Liz and
Sarah Mestrovic*

Tom Bailey, Jr. by Toni Bailey

*My beloved husband Bill, daughter Paula,
sister Mildred and Joanne, brother R. P.
& mother and Father by June Morris*

*Our Parents and Grandparents
by the Hageman and Ragalyi Families*

*Mac and Elma McNeel
by Charles and Darlene McNeel*

*Our mothers and grandmother
Jacquelyn S. Mullins, Jean Gray,
and Verma McNeece
by Bill, Toni, Addison and Sarah Mullins*

Hazel Magee by Chuck and Carolyn Lucas

*Our Parents Wilma and Steve Sotak,
Tom Elkin, Peggy and Ronnie Hughes
by Dave and Nancy Sotak*



In honor of

Fellow Choir Members and BPC Youth

By Robin Feldhake

Cheryl McGill and Sue Shaffer in appreciation for

Two most deserving ladies, who do so much

for the church by Brenda Meadows

Tim Waugh by Leslie and Lena S. Cox

Richie, Kristen, Kristin, Sean, Rachel and Isabell

By Charles and Darlene McNeel

Dolly Johnson by Chuck and Carolyn Lucas

Scott VanMeter by Leslie and Lena S. Cox



ELDERS ON CALL

Apr 1-7 -Ross Hageman

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 1

Resurrection of the Lord/ Easter
One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

10:00 a.m.-Rise and Shine

Coffee Cafe

10:55 a.m.- Worship with

Holy Communion

7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

MONDAY, APRIL 2

Office Closed

9:30 a.m.-PW Meeting

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

TUESDAY, APRIL 3

9:00 a.m. Shepherd's Center

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

6:30 p.m.-Mission Study Meeting

THURSDAY, APRIL 5

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

6:00 p.m.-Handbells

7:15 p.m.-Choir

FRIDAY, APRIL 6

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

SATURDAY, April 7

9:00 a.m.-Festival of Faith

Charleston, WV

Cub Scouts-Pinewood Derby

SUNDAY, APRIL 8

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

10:55 a.m. - Worship

12:00 p.m.-Fellowship Luncheon

Fellowship Hall

7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

STAFF

The Reverend Jim Burton, Pastor, Ext. 6
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SESSION

Class of 2017-2018

Dan Calvert
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Charles McNeel
Ann Worley

Class of 2018-2019

Nancy Cameron
Bill Hartling
Karen Reed
Clyde Smith
Mac Tieche

Class of 2019-2020

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Betsy Gilmer
Drema Davis
Mary Calvert
David Sotak
Youth Representative
Rachel McNeel
(one year term)

The Reverend Jim Burton, Moderator
Dan Calvert, Acting Clerk of Session

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Drs. Leslie and Cynthia Morgan in Bangladesh