



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



March 29, 2018
Maundy Thursday

"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

Via Dolorosa
Handbells

Dale Wood

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive)*

Peggy White

This is a day of remembrance for us.

**We lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the Lord.**

Throughout the generations,
we have received and handed on to others
what the Lord has given to us:

water for washing; the towel of service;
**the bread of his body; the cup of the new covenant;
proclaiming the Lord's death until he comes again.**

Let us pray together (*John 13:7, 14, 17, 26, 34*)

**God of love, during Holy Week, we give you thanks for this
night Jesus shared with his disciples.**

**Between the public parade and the public charade is this inti-
mate hour.**

**Though even now we do not fully understand, we long to follow
his example:**

to serve as he served, to love as he loved.

**Jesus promised that if we know these things and do them, we
will be blessed.**

Help us, then, to know and to do all that Jesus taught.

**Though we betray and deny, we still come seeking a blessing,
for this much we do know: we cannot live unless you bless us.**

Amen.

* HYMN 215

What Wondrous Love Is This?

* CALL TO CONFESSION *(Pastor Burton on "Praying the Psalms")*

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Together; Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19)*

**¹ I love the LORD, because he has heard
my voice and my supplications.**

² Because he inclined his ear to me,

therefore I will call on him as long as I live. (*silence*)

12 What shall I return to the LORD
for all his bounty to me?

13 I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD,

14 I will pay my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all his people. (*silence*)

15 Precious in the sight of the LORD
is the death of his faithful ones.

16 O LORD, I am your servant;
I am your servant, the child of your serving-maid.
You have loosed my bonds.

17 I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice
and call on the name of the LORD.

18 I will pay my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all his people,

19 in the courts of the house of the LORD,
in your midst, O Jerusalem.

Praise the LORD! (*Silence*)

* 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 (*Responsive*)

Disciples of Christ, having loved his own who were in the world,
Jesus loved them to the end.

Jesus knows us fully and offers love and forgiveness uncondi-
tionally.

In gratitude for the grace given to us, and as a witness to our
faith in Christ, we will love one another.

* 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.**

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

ANTHEM

Take My Mother Home

Gilbert M. Martin

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE NEW TESTAMENT 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 Page 173

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

* **HYMN 228**

Were You There?

THE GOSPEL John 13:1-17, 31b-35 Page 107

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DRAMATIC PRESENTATION “The Great Eat-In and Clean up”

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP (*Together; John 13:15–16, 34–35*)

Jesus has set an example for us: to serve others as he has served us, and to love one another as he has loved us. Go and do likewise so that everyone can tell that we are his disciples.

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

PRAYERS OF PEOPLE

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

HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table of the Lord:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We praise you, O God, for Jesus your Son.

On the night before he died for us,

Jesus gathered his friends for a meal.

He took bread, gave you thanks, broke it,

gave it to them, and said,

Take, eat, this is my body,

which is given for you;

do this in remembrance of me.

After supper he took the cup;

when he had given thanks,

he gave it to them and said,
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
poured out for the forgiveness of sins;
do this in remembrance of me.

The Lord's Prayer (*Together*)

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Serving of the People

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

As in That Upper Room
Carl Haywood

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (*Together*)

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this sacrament and had us reflect over the place of the towel and basin in our lives. Now through this sacrament keep us united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal realm. Through the towel and basin unite us with your world.

Even on this Holy Thursday evening as we remember your humiliation, send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GOD'S PEOPLE GO INTO THE WORLD

* HYMN 227

Jesus, Remember Me

STRIPPING OF THE CHANCEL

DEPARTURE IN SILENCE

Stripping of the church

The final act of the service is the stripping of the Sanctuary. This is done in silence. The stark, bare, unadorned church now reflects Jesus' abandonment during the night in Gethsemane. When the pastor departs, you are asked to dismiss from the Sanctuary in silence. Offering plates will be located at the back of the church as you exit.

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.

HELPING HANDS we are collecting cleaning supplies for helping hands this month. You may drop it off at the baskets in the back of the sanctuary.

NOMINATION FORMS for the Elder class of 2020-2021 and a list of members is available on the table at the back of the narthex and need to be returned by **April 8th**.

NEXT SUNDAY is Easter Sunday and we will celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion; we will also collect the *One Great Hour of Sharing Offering*.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH - All are welcome to join us Sunday, April 8th following worship for our Fellowship Lunch in Friendship Hall.

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 today to Clear Creek Presbyterian Church, Eleanor Presbyterian Church and Gilbert Presbyterian Church in the Presbytery of West Virginia; Kihora Church in the Giakanja Parish in the Nyeri Presbytery.

OUR THANKS to Peggy White Lay Reader, to this week's greeter and to those who prepared the communion.

ELDERS ON CALL

Mar 25-31-Dave Sotak and Drema Davis

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, March 25

Palm Sunday

9:45 a.m.-Sunday School

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

7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

MONDAY, March 26

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

6:00 p.m.-Session

TUESDAY, March 27

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

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

WEDNESDAY, March 28

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

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg

6:00 p.m.-Handbell's

7:15 p.m.-Choir

THURSDAY, March 29

Maundy Thursday Service

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg

FRIDAY, March 30

Office Closed

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

SATURDAY, March 31

SUNDAY, April 1

Easter Sunday

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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