

The Beckley Presbyterian Church 203 South Kanawha Street

203 South Kanawha Street Beckley, West Virginia 25801



April 22, 2018 Shepherd Sunday 4th Sunday of Easter

"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

The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want J. Wayne Kerr **PRELUDE**

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive; Psalm 23:1; John 10:14–16)

Al Combs

The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

He lays down his life for his sheep.

The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

He knows us, and we belong to him.

The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

He speaks, and we listen for his voice.

Let us pray together (Psalm 23):

We are your people, O God—

the sheep of your pasture, the flock you have gathered.

Lead us beside still waters; teach us the way of righteousness; and feed us at your table; through Jesus Christ, our good shepherd. Amen.

* HYMN 396

Brethren We Have Met to Worship

- * CALL TO CONFESSION
- * PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together; 1 John 3:16–24)

Lord, have mercy on us.

We talk about love, but our actions betray us.

We talk about love, but we neglect the poor.

We talk about love, but we fail to love one another.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Forgive us, and abide in us by the power of your Spirit so that our lives may show our love for Jesus Christ, in whose body we live and in whose 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

(Responsive; water from the Font is lifted; 1 John 3:16, 21–22; JDB)

We seek God's grace with boldness because we trust in Jesus Christ,

He loves us! He Is the One!

Yes, He did put down His own life for us. It is in Jesus Christ that all our sin is forgiven.

Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

* 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 Grace arr Mark Hayes

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Nancy Hageman

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 ACTS OF THE APOSTLES 4:5-12 (Together) Page 121

⁵The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John,* and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷When they had made the prisoners* stand in their midst, they inquired, ⁶By what power or by what name did you do this? ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth,* whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. ¹¹This Jesus* is "the stone that

was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone."* ¹²There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name Under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

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

THE GOSPEL

John 10:11-18

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SERMON

"Changed Reality"

The Sermon in pictures is located on the back table

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

* HYMN 803

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

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

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

MOMENTS FOR MISSION

Earth Day

PASTORS PRAYER

Beckley

PRAYERS OF PEOPLE (Psalm 23:6; 1 John 3:21–24)

With boldness, let us offer our prayers to the shepherd of our souls, saying, God of goodness and mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for the church in every place. . . . Gather us together and make us one, one in ministry and mission to the world, so that there will be one flock, one shepherd. God of goodness and mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for the nations of the world.... Anoint all leaders with your wisdom so that they will use their power to help the poor and defend the vulnerable. God of goodness and mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for this community....
Strengthen those who work each day
to heal the sick, welcome the outcasts,
and help sisters and brothers in need.
God of goodness and mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for friends and loved ones. . . . Comfort all who are suffering; walk with them through dark valleys and restore them, body, mind, and soul. (We lift them by name and situation.) God of goodness and mercy, hear our prayer.

Loving God, by the power of your Spirit, help us to keep your commandments and to love one another with the love of Jesus, in whose holy name we pray. **Amen.**

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 The King of Love my Shepherd Is J. Wayne Kerr

* 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 (Together; 1 John 3:16)
Gracious God, we give you thanks that you have shown us the meaning of love through Jesus Christ, who gave his life for us. Show us how to share Christ's love by giving our lives for one another; to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

GOD'S PEOPLE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

* HYMN 802

The King of Love my Shepherd Is

- * CHARGE AND BLESSING
- * CHORAL RESPONSE Hymn 231 Christ Has Risen, and Forever Lives

POSTLUDE My Faith It Is an Oaken Staff J. Wayne Kerr

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

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 by Rita and Jerry Johnson.

OPEN FLOWER DATE there is an open flower date on **April 29th** if you would like to put flowers on the alter in memory or in honor of someone, please contact Betsy Gilmer at (304)253-8923.

NEXT SUNDAY, April 29th we will welcome Davis & Elkins President Chris Wood, along with the choir from Davis and Elkins to our church.

HELP WANTED!!!!!!The Church Growth/Service Ministry is one of the most active in our church .The Church Growth/Service Ministry has 6-8 active members. We meet on the 3rd Monday of each month at 5:30PM in Friendship Hall. We do need your help! Consider and pray about lending us a hand. If you can't attend our meetings please volunteer to assist on any ministry event in which you feel called. Contact Moderator, Drema Davis, if you can help.

SPECIAL APRIL FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON Our next luncheon will be held on Sunday, April 29 following the Worship Service. We are honored and looking forward to breaking bread around the table with 30 students from Davis & Elkins. Please mark your calendars and plan on joining your church family in giving the D&E students a warm welcome and sharing in a fun time of fellowship. Donations accepted. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to bring hash brown casseroles and salads. Menu to feature ham and turkey provided by our own Pastor Jim, dessert and rolls by Sharon Volpe. If you can bring either, a signup sheet will be located at the back of church or talk to Drema Davis.

OUR PRAYERS go out to these churches today Arthurdale Community Presbyterian Church, Beverly Presbyterian Church and Buffalo Presbyterian Church in the Presbytery of West Virginia; Gitita Church in the Gura Parish in the Nyeri Presbytery.

OUR THANKS to Darlene McNeel for Cookies in the Witherspoon, Al Combs Lay Reader , Nancy Hageman Time for Young Disciples Leader , Rachel McNeel Nursery Assistant and to this week's greeter Dave and Nancy Sotak.

ELDERS ON CALL

April 22-28-Nancy Cameron and Ann Worley

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 22

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School 10:55 a.m.- Worship 7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

MONDAY, APRIL 23

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg. 6:00 p.m.-Session

TUESDAY, APRIL 24

9:00 a.m. Shepherd's Center 8:00 p.m. - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

THURSDAY, APRIL 26

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg. 6:00 p.m.-Handbells 7:15 p.m.-Choir

FRIDAY, APRIL 27

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

SUNDAY, APRIL 29

President Chris Wood and Davis & Elkins Choir 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School 10:55 a.m. - Worship 12:00 p.m.-Fellowship Luncheon 7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

STAFF

The Reverend Jim Burton, Pastor, Ext. 6 Toni Mullins, Admin. Assist/Treasurer, Ext. 3 Tim Waugh, Artist-In-Residence, Ext. 4 Jeff Harris, Sexton Roberta Brock, Nursery Supervisor Sharon Volpe, Host Jb406@live.com tmullins@beckleypres.org bpc.wv.music@gmail.com

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SESSION

Class of 2017-2018 Class of 2018-2019 Class of 2019-2020 Dan Calvert Nancy Cameron Al Combs Ross Hageman Bill Hartling Betsy Gilmer Nancy Kissinger Karen Reed Drema Davis Charles McNeel Clyde Smith Mary Calvert Mac Tieche David Sotak Ann Worley Youth Representative Rachel McNeel (one year term)

> The Reverend Jim Burton, Moderator Clyde Smith, Acting Clerk of Session

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