



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



**May 13, 2018**  
**Mother's Day**

*"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** *Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer* Dale Wood

**CALL TO WORSHIP** *(Responsive; Psalm 1:1–3)* Dan Calvert

Happy are those who do not ridicule and scoff but who delight in God's teachings and meditate on them day and night.

**They are like trees planted by streams of water. They yield fruit in due season, and their leaves do not wither.**

Let us pray *(Together)*

**Holy One, open us to the possibility that we are being chosen to be new disciples with new ministries in Jesus' name. Amen.**

\* **HYMN 741** *Guide My Feet*

\* **CALL TO CONFESSION**

\* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *(Together; John 17:15, 17)*

**God, though you call us to delight in your teachings, we can become cynical and full of doubt. Do not judge us, we pray, but heal us and restore us to you. Guard us and protect us from evil, and sanctify us in truth; in Jesus' name. 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**

In Christ Jesus, God has promised to forgive us and reconcile us to God and each other.

**With joy, let us share that peace with 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.**

\* 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**                      *Sing Me to Heaven*                      Daniel Gawthrop

**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*)

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## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**THE NEW TESTAMENT**                      Ephesians 1:15-23                      Page 192

<sup>15</sup> I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love\* towards all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup>I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup>so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. <sup>20</sup>God\* put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup>far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. <sup>22</sup>And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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

**THE GOSPEL**                      John 17:6-19                      Page 111

The Gospel of the Lord.....**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**                      "Letter Writing"

*The Sermon in pictures is located on the back table*

## CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

\* HYMN 460

*Break Thou the Bread of Life*

\* STATEMENT OF FAITH (*Together; Romans 8:28,38-39*)

<sup>28</sup>We know that all things work together for good\* for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.

<sup>38</sup>For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers,

<sup>39</sup>nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

### MOMENTS FOR MISSION

**PASTORS PRAYER** Mother's Day and Mission Worker's Sunday

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION** (*Psalm 1; Acts 1:25*)

Let us pray for the world  
and ask that we may be given the grace  
to be faithful disciples of Jesus.

**May we be like trees planted by streams of water.**

Holy God, this world is peopled by those who delight in your teachings and those who scoff at your ways. Guide us to meditate on you day and night, that we may be an influence for good in the world. **May we be like trees planted by streams of water.**

We pray for the people and the leaders of the world in all our diversity. Sanctify them in your truth, that there may be peace and harmony on earth.

**May we be like trees planted by streams of water.**

We pray for those who are sick or suffering, that they may know your protection and care through our faithful service.

**May we be like trees planted by streams of water.**

We pray for your church, that by the marriage of your grace and our faith we may serve you and our neighbors.

**May we be like trees planted by streams of water.**

We pray for Earth itself, your marvelous creation. Inspire and help us to be the good stewards that you ask us to be, now and for the future. **May we be like trees planted by streams of water.**

Make holy all for which we pray—  
the poor, the infirm, the church, the world—  
for holiness and wholeness come from you.

Receive these prayers both spoken and unspoken, for we are yours.  
**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** *Just As I Am* Dale Wood

- \* **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; John 17:6)*  
**Jesus has made God known to us. We already belong to God.  
And so we dedicate these gifts to God's service and to the glory  
of God's name. Amen.**

## GOD'S PEOPLE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

- \* **HYMN 765** *(Sung 3 times)* *May the God of Hope Go With Us*
- \* **BLESSING AND CHARGE**

**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 in loving memory of their mother Annabelle Woods on her birthday, by her sons Sam and Cameron Woods, their children and grandchildren.

**CHURCH PICNIC** will be on **Sunday, June 10th** at Daniel Vineyard at 10:55 a.m. Spring and Summer have finally arrived together! So, let's get casual and have our annual church picnic. Worship in the beauty of nature and then enjoy potluck with fried chicken, rolls and drinks provided by the church. Please invite a friend or relative to join you we will have plenty. Divided by the alphabet please bring the following: A-H Salads, I-P Desserts, Q-Z Vegetable.  
- Congregation Care Ministry

**THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE** would like to ask members of the congregation who have collections of interesting items if they might be interested in displaying them at the church. These collections and displays could range from paintings and drawings to homemade quilts. And even if you have brought in items for viewing in the past, we would encourage you to do so again. If interested, please contact Al Combs at (304) 575-3966, or any member of the Worship committee.

**OUR PRAYERS** go out to these churches today Kanawha United Presbyterian Church, Charleston, First Presbyterian Church, Logan and Milton Presbyterian Church in the Presbytery of West Virginia; Githiru Church in the Kagumo Parish in the Nyeri Presbytery.

**OUR THANKS** to Nancy Estep for Cookies in the Witherspoon, Dan Calvert Lay Reader , Darlene McNeel Time for Young Disciples Leader , Ann Worley Nursery Assistant and to this week's greeter Nancy Estep.

**ELDERS ON CALL**  
**May 13-19-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.

**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, May 13**

*Mother's Day*

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

10:55 a.m.- Worship

7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

**MONDAY, May 14**

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

5:30 p.m.-Ministry of Church

Growth-Witherspoon Rm.

**TUESDAY, May 15**

9:00 a.m. Shepherd's Center

4:30 p.m.-Admin Mtg-Witherspoon

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

**WEDNESDAY, May 16**

*Pastor Jim Out of Town*

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

**THURSDAY, May 17**

*Pastor Jim Out of Town*

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

Noon-PW Birthday Lunch-

Friendship Hall

6:00 p.m.-Handbells

7:15 p.m.-Choir

**FRIDAY, May 18**

*Pastor Jim Out of Town*

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

**SUNDAY, May 20**

*Pentecost Sunday*

*Cents-Ability and Food for*

*Helping Hands*

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

10:55 a.m. - Worship with

Holy Communion

12:00 p.m.-Ministry of Christian

Ed-Witherspoon Room

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  
Ross Hageman  
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  
David Sotak  
Youth Representative  
Rachel McNeel  
(one year term)

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

## MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY BECKLEY PRESBYTERIAN

Drs. Leslie and Cynthia Morgan in Bangladesh  
Rev Dori Kay Hjalmarson, Honduras