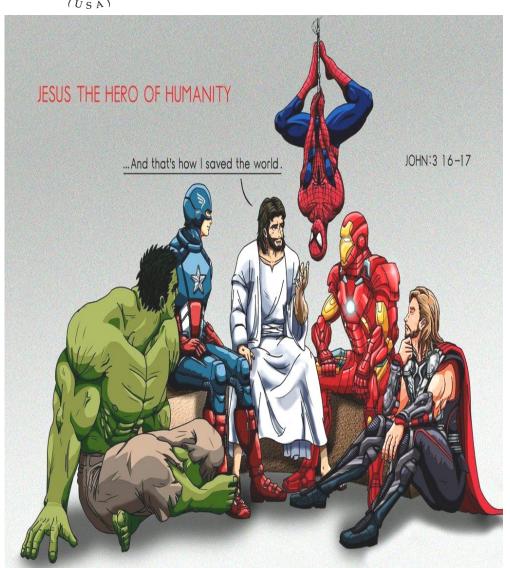


The Beckley Presbyterian Church

203 South Kanawha Street Beckley, West Virginia 25801



May 27, 2018 Trinity 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

WE GATHER AND CONFESS

PRELUDE Improvisation on Veni Creator Spiritus-Part the First John Cook

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive; John 3:3, 5 Adapted JDB) Bill Hartling Blessed be God, Eternal Majesty, Living Word, Abiding Spirit. **Glory to God forever.**

Jesus said, the way to see God's dream for the world is to be born from above by the Spirit.

The way to take part in that dream, says Jesus, is to be born of water and Spirit.

That gift is available this day.

May we receive God's Spirit, be made whole, and dwell more deeply in love divine.

Let us pray. (Together)

Holy God, source of all goodness, you gave your Son for the life of the world and sent your Spirit that your love might abide within us. Teach us how to love each other this day, that we may have life, and have it abundantly, with you, in Christ, and through the Holy Spirit. Amen.

* HYMN 001

Holy, Holy, Holy

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together)

Holy God, we know that you are always there to lead us, yet we somehow lose our way and fall back into fear. We confess that we have stumbled, and we recognize our need for you to lift us up and help us start again. Forgive us our failings, restore us to strength, and reconcile us with you, ourselves, and each other, through the power of Christ and the gift of your Spirit. 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**(*Romans 8:15, Isaiah 6:7; JDB*) Sisters and brothers, hear the good news: We did not receive the spirit of slavery, but rather the spirit of adoption. Your guilt has departed; your sin is blotted out.

We are God's beloved children—forgiven, loved, and free. God's peace is with us.

* 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

Hymn for Our Time

John Ness Beck

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Pastor Jim

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 OLD TESTAMENT (Isaiah 6:1-8; Together)
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6In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple.

2Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew.
3And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.'

4The pivots* on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke.
5And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!'

⁶ Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had

been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷The seraph* touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' ⁸Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

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

THE EPISTLE

Romans 8:12-17

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

THE GOSPEL

John 3:1-17

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

SERMON

"Who is Your Guardian?"

The Sermon in pictures is located on the back table

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

* HYMN 300

We Are One in the Spirit

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

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

³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels,

nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor 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

Disability Inclusion

PRAYERS OF 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 Forth He Came at Easter-French Tune David H Williams BPC Choir

* 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!
(Communion Servers please come forward)

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Together)

Holy God, your love overflows in the gift of your Spirit. Bless these gifts that we offer that they may spread your blessing in a world of hurt and need; in Christ's name. Amen

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE (see insert)

GOD'S PEOPLE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

* HYMN 337

My Country 'tis of Thee

- * BLESSING
- * CHARGE

POSTLUDE Improvisation on Veni Creator Spiritus John Cook part the 2nd-Music for the Holiday

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.

PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE is looking for members to serve on the PNC. This group will be responsible for finding a new minister for our church. If you would like to be part of this important mission or want to nominate someone for the committee please contact me. Dan Calvert, 304-890-6105 or email <u>deal-vert1965@gmail.com</u>. This is the next big step in the life of BPC, so please give this your prayerful consideration.

REVEREND BURTON IS LEAVING us at the end of June when his contract expires. His last day will be Sunday the 24th. We are very grateful for Pastor Jim's service to BPC and wish him grace and peace.

THE FLOWERS in the sanctuary are placed this morning to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Owen Meadows M.D. by Brenda Meadows.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE is trying to find people to display items in the church. Please contact Al Combs or any member of the worship committee.

NEXT SUNDAY we will have a guest speaker from Brian's Safehouse in our pulpit. Brian's Safehouse along with it's sister treatment facility Sparrow's Nest offers hope and healing for men and women struggling with substance abuse disorder.

CHURCH PICNIC is June 10 at Daniel Vineyard at 10:55am please bring a dish to share chicken and rolls will be provided.

A-H SALADS I-P DESERTS Q-Z VEGETABLES

OUR PRAYERS go out to these churches today Zion Presbyterian Church, Helvetia Bates Memorial Presbyterian Church, Huntington and Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, Huntington in the Presbytery of West Virginia; Marua Church in the Kagumo Parish in the Nyeri Presbytery.

OUR THANKS to Valerie Hartling for Cookies in the Witherspoon, Bill Hartling Lay Reader, Pastor Jim Time for Young Disciples Leader, Rachel McNeel Nursery Assistant and to this week's greeter Valerie Hartling.

ELDERS ON CALL

May 27-June 2-Drema Davis

June 3-9-Ann Worley and 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, May 27

Trinity 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, May 28

Office Closed Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

TUESDAY, May 29

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

WEDNESDAY, May 30

Pastor out of Town
Pipe Line
Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

THURSDAY, May 31

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

FRIDAY, June 1

Pastor out of Town 8:00 p.m. - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

SUNDAY, June 2

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

STAFF

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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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