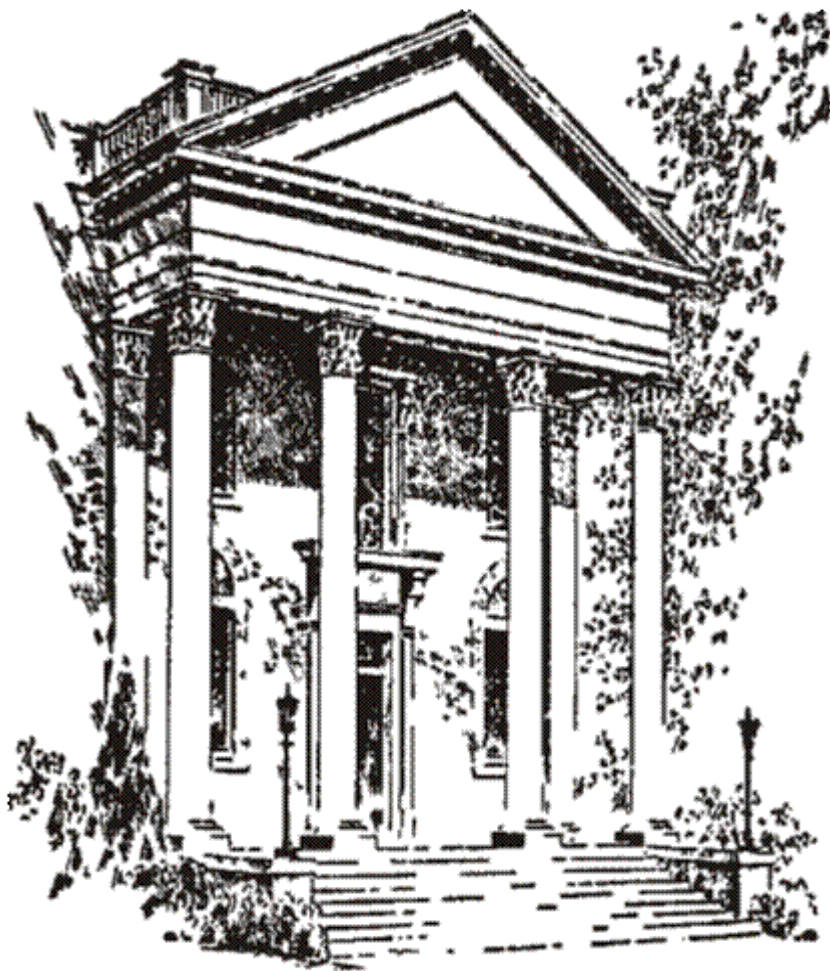




The Beckley Presbyterian Church
203 South Kanawha Street
Beckley, West Virginia 25801



September 16, 2018
17th Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 19

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 *Land of Rest* Wilbur Held

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive)* Karen Reed

God has great things in store for us.

We come with excitement for all God offers us.

God invites us to the greatest adventure of our lives

We are eager for what God will reveal to us.

We are called to become the very children of God.

We will answer God's call and press forward.

God invites us to perfection and holiness.

That is our goal. We will go there with God.

PRAYER OF THE DAY *(Together)*

O God who is perfect and whole: Grant to us a clarity of goal so that we may move forward toward the reality that you have in mind for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

* **HYMN 839** *Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!*

* **CALL TO CONFESSION**

* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *(Together)*

We confess, O God, that we are too easily content with the little that we accomplish. We think if we are reasonable good people or, at least, better than the worst, that we should be satisfied. You call us to perfection. You call us into the likeness of your Son Jesus Christ. Help us not to settle for "good enough" but to run the race with confidence toward the goal of finding in you our complete salvation. So fill us with your Holy Spirit that we will joyfully bring others with us on this great adventure. Amen *(silent confession)*

* **KYRIE** *Lord Have Mercy* 551
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**

* **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.**

* **GLORIA** *Glory Be to the Father* 581
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 *Be Thou My Vision* Carlton Young

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 (*Together*) Page 35

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT Proverbs 1:20-33 Page 584

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

THE NEW TESTAMENT Mark 8:27-38 Page 43

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

SERMON "Turning Point"

* **AFFIRMATION** “The Nicene Creed” (*Together*)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE (*see insert*)

* **HYMN 188**

Jesus Loves Me

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

MOMENTS FOR MISSION

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

Simple Gifts

Wilbur Held

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 Drema Davisa after worship.

THE FLOWERS in the sanctuary are placed this morning to the Glory of God and in memory of their parents: Alan U. Hageman, Leona K. Hageman Loftus, William Loftus, Raymond A. and Mary Judson by Ross and Nancy Hageman.

WELCOME TO THE PULPIT - We are pleased to welcome back Rev. James Robinson to our pulpit today. Jim grew up on a farm in north central Missouri, the seventh of nine children. They were active in the Methodist church; Jim has particular memories of Sunday school, VBS, and the Youth Group. When he met Karen during his college years, it was easy for him to take on her life-long Presbyterian faith tradition, and they have been active in various churches all their lives. Jim has served as a deacon, an elder, and went to Seminary while serving on the Committee on Ministry in Middle Tennessee Presbytery. They have two daughters and three granddaughters.

Jim retired from the only pastorate he has served – nearly 14 years at the Elk Hills church near Charleston, WV.

CENTS-ABILITY offering will be taken up today with a portion staying in our community.

CHOIR KICK OFF PICNIC will be today at 12:30 see organizer Tim Waugh for more information.

OUR PRAYERS go out to these churches today Davis Memorial Presbyterian Church, Elkins and Highlawn Presbyterian Church, Huntington in the Presbytery of West Virginia; Thegenge Parish in the Nyeri Presbytery.

OUR THANKS to Nancy Hageman for ‘Cookies in the Witherspoon Room’ to Karen Reed Lay Reader , Helen Walker Time for Young Disciples Leader , Nancy Hageman Nursery Assistant and to this week’s greeter Nancy Keatley.

ELDERS ON CALL

Sept 16-22-Dan and Mary Calvert

Sept 23-29-Bill Hartling 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, September 16

Cents-Ability and Food for Helping Hands

10:55 a.m.- Worship with

Holy Communion

12:00 p.m.-Christian Ed Mtg-WR

12:30 p.m.-Choir Picnic

7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

THURSDAY, September 20

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

6:00 p.m.-Handbells

7:15 p.m.-Choir

FRIDAY, September 21

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

MONDAY, September 17

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

SATURDAY, September 22

9:00 a.m.-Preby Prep Mtg-

Witherspoon Room

12:00 p.m.-PW Circle Luncheon

TUESDAY, September 18

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

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

SUNDAY, September 23

10:55 a.m. - Worship

7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

WEDNESDAY, September 19

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

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Monday-Friday 8:00-4:00

Lunch 12:30-1:30

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Karen Reed
Clyde Smith
Mac Tieche

Class of 2019-2020

Al Combs
Betsy Gilmer
Drema Davis
Mary Calvert
David Sotak

Class of 2020-2021

Daniel Calvert
Marcia Fairlie
Ross Hageman
Marie Lewis
Barbara Yurick
Youth Representative
Kedric Branford
(one year term)

Robert Wood, Moderator
Dan Calvert, Clerk of Session

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Drs. Leslie and Cynthia Morgan in Bangladesh

Rev. Dori Kay Hjalmarson, Honduras