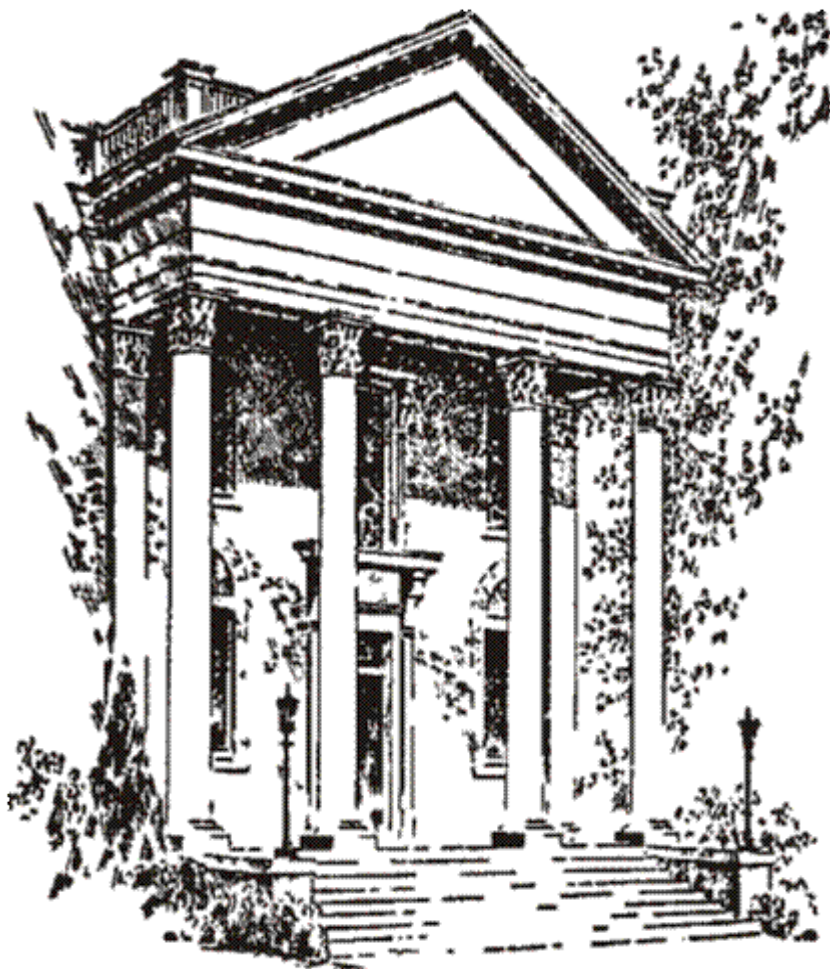




*The Beckley Presbyterian Church*  
*203 South Kanawha Street*  
*Beckley, West Virginia 25801*



September 23, 2018  
18th Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 20

*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**      *A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing*      Paul Manz

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Responsive*)      Nelle Calvert

God invites us to greatness.

**We are ready to go.**

God calls us to greatness through following in the footsteps of Jesus.

**We will follow Jesus into the greatness of his reign.**

God calls us to greatness through serving.

**We will serve God in all we do.**

God calls us to serve the poor, the rejected and the outcasts.

**They are children of God and we will serve them gladly.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY** (*Together*)

**O God who sent Jesus to live among us as a servant: Grant to us the courage to take up the towel and basin and wash the feet of a weary world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\* **HYMN 645**      *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

\* **CALL TO CONFESSION**

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

**You have called us, O God, to follow your Son Jesus of Nazareth. We have not willingly followed his example of being servant to all. We find it hard to serve even those we love. We are more apt to seek revenge on those who hurt us rather than to serve and care for them. We want the greatness that the world promises: wealth, popularity, material goods and position. We are less ready to look for greatness in serving others as their slave. We have even tried to turn Jesus into a gloating conqueror rather than the loving Servant he truly was.**

Forgive us and by the power of your Holy Spirit so fill us with the love of Jesus that we may truly follow in his footsteps and serve all we encounter. 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**                      *Blessings Abound*                      Pepper Choplin

**TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**                      Ann Worley

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**                      Psalm 136:1-9, 26                      Page 576

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

**THE NEW TESTAMENT**                      John 21:1-14                      Page 115

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

\* **AFFIRMATION** “The Apostles’ Creed” (*Traditional; Together*)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God The Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

\* **HYMN 291***Spirit of Gentleness*

## WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

**MOMENTS FOR MISSION****PRAYERS OF THE 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***Jesus, I Will Ponder Now*

Paul Manz

\* **DOXOLOGY** *Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow* 606

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
 Praise Him all creatures here below;  
 Praise Him above, ye heavenly Host;  
 Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

\* **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

# GOD'S PEOPLE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

\* **HYMN 469**

*Lord, Listen To Your Children Praying*  
Sung 3 times Choir will sing the first time

\* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

\* **CHORAL RESPONSE**

*God Be With You 'Til We Meet Again*  
Rankin/Tomer

\* **POSTLUDE**

*Now Rest Beneath Night's Shadows* Paul Manz

***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 the Lay Reader after worship.

**THE FLOWERS** in the sanctuary are placed this morning to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her mother and father Christine and Leslie E. Lilly by Judy Harrah and children Shannon and Andrew.

**WELCOME TO THE PULPIT** - We are pleased to welcome Johnie Nelson to our pulpit today. John was born and raised in Fayette County with 4 brothers and 3 sisters. His late father was a retired coal miner and his mother a housewife. He has been a computer repair technician since 1995 and moved to Saint Albans back in the early 2000s. There he started attending Highlawn Presbyterian Church where he and his wife are now active members. John went into the Presbytery's Lay Academy Program and became an ALP (Authorized Lay Preacher) back in 2012. He and his wife are proud grandparents of a 4 year old ball of energy named Keegan. They also have a dog and 2 cats.

**CHILI NIGHT** will be Saturday, October 6th at 5:30 p.m. Fudge maker volunteers are requested to prepare their fudge in 9x13 pans and cut the pieces in 2 inch square so all pieces will be uniform. Put single piece in a small storage bag (half size). Please prepare and store peanut butter and chocolate pieces separately due to possible peanut allergies. Deliver to church by 2 PM, Sat, Oct 6. If you bring it before, please label with your name and Chili Nights and place in refrigerator. If you need a recipe see Drema Davis. Church Growth/Service Ministry

**OUR PRAYERS** go out to these churches today in the Presbytery of West Virginia; First Presbyterian Church, Kingwood and Mount Hope Presbyterian Church in the Presbytery of West Virginia; Gathuthi Church in the Thegenge Parish in the Nyeri Presbytery.

**OUR THANKS** to Valerie Hartling for 'Cookies in the Witherspoon Room' to Nelle Calvert Lay Reader, Ann Worley Time for Young Disciples Leader, Darlene and Rachel McNeel Nursery Assistant and to this week's greeter Drema Davis.

**ELDERS ON CALL**  
**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 23**

10:55 a.m.- Worship  
7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

**MONDAY, September 24**

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

**TUESDAY, September 25**

6:30 p.m.-Cub Scouts  
8:00 p.m. - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

**WEDNESDAY, September 26**

*Pipe Line*  
11:00 a.m.-The Carpenter's Corner  
Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

**THURSDAY, September 27**

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

**FRIDAY, September 28**

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

**SATURDAY, September 29**

**SUNDAY, September 30**

10:55 a.m. - Worship  
2:00 p.m.-Session Training  
7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

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Karen Reed  
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Al Combs  
Betsy Gilmer  
Drema Davis  
Mary Calvert  
David Sotak

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Marie Lewis  
Barbara Yurick  
Youth Representative  
Kedric Branford  
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Dan Calvert, Clerk of Session

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Drs. Leslie and Cynthia Morgan in Bangladesh

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