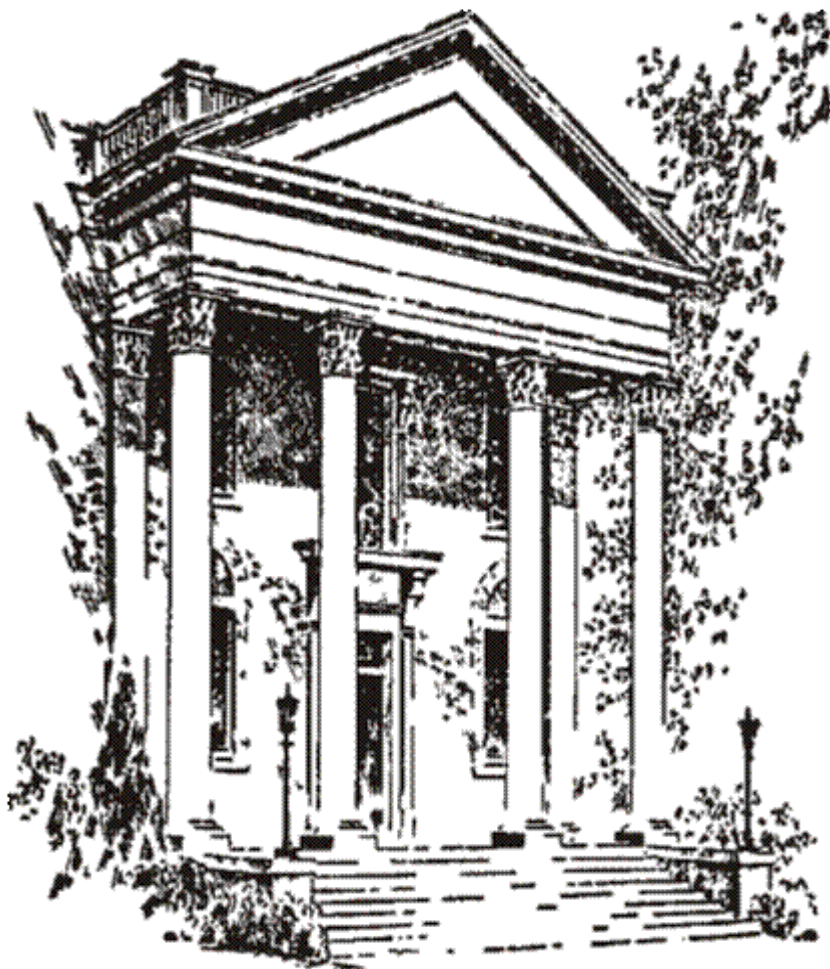




The Beckley Presbyterian Church
203 South Kanawha Street
Beckley, West Virginia 25801



September 2, 2018
15th Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 17

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 *Variations on an American Hymn Tune* Gordon Young
Theme and Variation One

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive)* Al Combs

With our words and in our actions,
let us praise the living God.
With our lips and in our lives,
let us glorify the Lord.
Let us worship God.

PRAYER OF THE DAY *(Together)*

Unchanging God, you have blessed us forever through the Beloved One, Jesus Christ our Lord. Born again by your word of truth, let us live out your love, doing your word, caring for the weak and vulnerable in their distress, and ever pursuing your reign of justice, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* **HYMN 41**

O Worship the King

* **CALL TO CONFESSION**

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

We confess to you, O God, and before our sisters and brothers, that we have not completely abandoned our pursuit of wealth. We want to be your disciples but the lure of goods has tempted us. Although by the world's standards we are wealthy beyond belief, we think we do not have enough of material things of life. While others go without. Forgive us our fascination with things and call us once more to the simple life of being satisfied with our life in you and in the joy of sharing. 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 *Amazing Grace* John Coates

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*) Page 35

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 15 Page 495

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

THE NEW TESTAMENT James 1:17-27 Page 229

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

SERMON "Walk the Walk"

* **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 475**

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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 *Variations on an American Hymn Tune* Gordon Young
Variation Three

* **HYMN 606** *Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow* Doxology

**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 4**

Holy God we Praise Thy Name

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

* **POSTLUDE** *Variations on an American Hymn Tune* Gordon Young
Variation Seven

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 in loving memory of Bob and Betty McLean, Jennie McLean Anderson and Lola Lilly by the McLean Clan.

WELCOME TO THE PULPIT -We are pleased to welcome Charlie Chandler as he returns to the pulpit today, having retired twice from Beckley Presbyterian Church. He was also a former Superintendent of Schools in West Virginia and Pennsylvania, and a former Director of Christian Education and Music at Princeton Presbyterian Church for 15 years. He was Executive Director of Mission West Virginia and Minister of Music and Outreach of Forrest Burdette United Methodist Church in Hurricane, WV. He and his wife Judy are very active in the Order of the Eastern Star and with their family, including four grandchildren.

SHEPHERD CENTER will start back on Tuesday, September 4th from 9:00-12:00 downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to join please stop by for lunch and activities.

CHOIR PICNIC will be on Sunday, September 16th after church. If you are currently in choirs or handbells or would like to join just bring a side dish and enjoy the evening. Please contact Tim Waugh for directions at bpc.wv.music@gmail.com, or by texting a message to (304)404-BPCM or (304)404-2726 so that we can get a count.

OUR PRAYERS go out to these churches today Spring Creek Presbyterian Church, Renick Union Presbyterian Church and Comfort Presbyterian Church in the Presbytery of West Virginia; Nyamachaki Memorial Church in the Rware Parish in the Nyeri Presbytery.

OUR THANKS to for 'Cookies in the Witherspoon Room' to Al Combs Lay Reader , Time for Young Disciples Leader , Nursery Assistant and to this week's greeter Valerie Hartling.

ELDERS ON CALL

Sept 2-8-Ross Hageman and Al Combs

Sept 9-15-Marie Lewis and Mac Tieche

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 2

10:55 a.m.- Worship

7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

MONDAY, September 3

Office Closed

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

TUESDAY, September 4

9:00 a.m.-Shepherd Center

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

WEDNESDAY, September 5

11:00 a.m.-The Carpenter's Corner

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

THURSDAY, September 6

10:00 a.m.-PW meeting-

Witherspoon room

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

FRIDAY, September 7

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

SUNDAY, September 9

10:55 a.m. - Worship with

Holy Communion

Noon-Fellowship Luncheon

7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

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Bill Hartling

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

MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY BECKLEY PRESBYTERIAN

Drs. Leslie and Cynthia Morgan in Bangladesh

Rev. Dori Kay Hjalmarson, Honduras