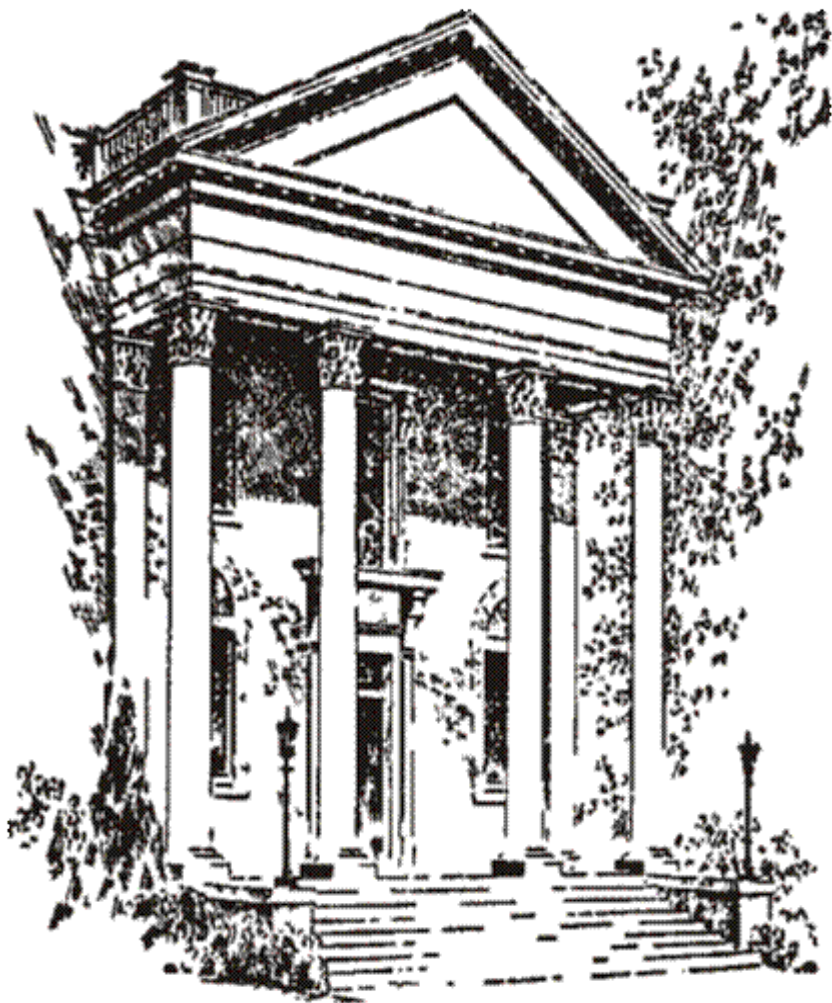




*The Beckley Presbyterian Church*  
*203 South Kanawha Street*  
*Beckley, West Virginia 25801*



**March 12, 2017**  
**Second Sunday in Lent**

# GREETINGS AND WELCOME TO VISITORS

## ASSEMBLE IN PRAISE OF GOD

### PRELUDE

*O Mensch, beweine dein Sünde groß*, BWV 622  
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord said to Abraham and Sarah:  
Go forth, and I will make of you a great nation.

**People: They had faith in the promises of God.**

Leader: So the Lord says to us, this day:  
I will bless you, and you will be a blessing.

**All: Let us trust in the promises of God.**

### PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison)

God our helper, our shade, our protector, you are able to give life to the dead, to call into being things that do not exist. We trust in your power to make all things new; to keep us in sunlight and moonlight, along rocky paths and pathways unknown; until all our going and coming brings us at last to your kingdom promised in Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

\* HYMN #12

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

\* CALL TO CONFESSION

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of great mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you. We bless what we should curse and curse what we should bless. We trust our own righteousness and forget your gift of grace. Forgive us, by your steadfast love. Create a clean heart within us, teach us your holy way, and restore the joy of salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*(silent confession)*

\* KYRIE ELEISON Hymn #551

*Lord, Have Mercy*

**\* ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\* 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.  
Please greet or respond to one another;  
*The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.*

- \* RESPONSE (Sung) - 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.**

**PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

**MINUTE FOR MISSION**                      Update on churchwide cleanup

**ANTHEM**                      *Borning Cry*                      John Ylvisaker (488)

**TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)                      (page 35)

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.

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**                      Genesis 12:1-4a                      Page 10

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

- \* HYMN #274**                      *You, Lord, are Both Lamb and Shepherd*

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**                      John 3:1-17                      Page 93

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## GIVE THANKS TO GOD

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

**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.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE****CALL FOR THE OFFERING****OFFERING**

*While the offering is collected, please sign the Friendship Pad and pass it along your pew. When everyone in your row has signed, please return the pad noting the names of those worshipping with you today.*

**Offertory***Sonata, K. 288*

Domenico Scarlatti (1685-1757)

**\*Doxology (Sung) #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 Dedication

# GOD'S PEOPLE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

\* **HYMN #166**

*Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days*

\* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

\* **CHORAL RESPONSE** *The Lord Bless You and Keep You* Lutkin

## **POSTLUDE**

*Concerto in G major (after Johann Ernst), BWV 592*  
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

*If you are able, please stand for items marked \**  
*Portions in **bold type** are for congregational participation.*

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*The sympathy of the congregation  
is extended to Betsy Gilmer and Melinda Bland and family  
on the death of their cousin, James E. Kemper  
who joined the church triumphant on February 27, 2017.*

*Please silence all electronic devices  
and refrain from texting during the service.*

## 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 visitor card available in the pews and place it in the offering plate.

**WELCOME** -We are pleased to welcome Rev. Cameron Harkness as our guest pastor and Dr. Kipp Cortez as our guest musician. Cameron and his wife, Susan, retired to Lewisburg in 2006. They have two sons and four grandchildren. Cameron and Susan have lived in Kansas City, MO., Dunedin, Wauchula, and Orange Park in FL, Weslaco, TX, and Leesburg, VA during Cameron's pastorates. Since retirement he has done part-time interims in Marlinton, Hillsboro, and in August finished 17 months as full-time interim at Old Stone. Kipp is Assistant Professor of Music at Concord University, where he teaches introductory courses in music and private lessons in organ and carillon. He regularly plays the 48-bell carillon at the Athens campus, the only one of its kind in West Virginia. He holds degrees in organ from Valparaiso University (B.M) and the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (M.M., DMA). Tim is on the road, conducting the Utah State Handbell Festival. This morning he will be a guest of the Bells on Temple Square at the taping of Music & the Spoken Word with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. He's also going to be allowed time on the Tabernacle Organ during his visit.

**ORGAN RECITAL** - Kipp will be playing a recital here at BPC on **Tuesday, March 21 at 7 pm** in celebration of the 332nd birthday of Johann Sebastian Bach! There will be a reception in Friendship Hall following the concert.

**THE FLOWERS** in the sanctuary are placed this morning to the Glory of God.

**EASTER FLOWERS** - If you would like to supply an Easter Lily or a Tulip to decorate the church for Easter, please place your order by **Sunday, April 9, 2017**. Order forms are available in the Narthex.

**CHILDREN'S WELCOME BAGS** - Welcome to worship! Visiting children, ages 3 - 5th grade please take one of the "guest" bags located on a stand in the back of the sanctuary. We are so glad you are here! Please return your guest bag following worship.

**LARGE PRINT HYMNS** for today's service are available in the back of the church.

**OUR PRAYERS** go out to these churches today: Anderson Memorial Presbyterian Church, Welch, Beulah Humble Presbyterian Church, Elizabeth and First Presbyterian Church, Buckhannon in the Presbytery of West Virginia; Kariguini Church, Giakanja Parish in the Nyeri Presbytery.

**OUR THANKS** to Helen Walker for 'Cookies in the Witherspoon Room' to Marcy Fairlie Lay Reader, Time for Young Disciples Leader Helen Walker, Nursery Assistant Jennifer Blankenship and to this week's greeter Drema Davis.

## ELDERS ON CALL

**March 12 - 18** - Scott Van Meter & Karen Reed

**March 19 - 25** - Betsy Gilmer & Bill Hartling

**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.

*"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."*

## CALENDAR

### **SUNDAY, MARCH 12**

*2nd Sunday in Lent*

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

10:55 a.m. - Worship

7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

*Daylight saving time begins*

### **MONDAY, MARCH 13**

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

### **TUESDAY, MARCH 14**

9:00 a.m. - Shepherd's Center

10:00 a.m. - Tuesday Morning in  
Witherspoon

6:30 p.m. - Ministry of Worship Meeting -  
Witherspoon Room

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

### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15**

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

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

Noon - GBMA Lenten Service &  
Lunch - St. Mary's United  
Methodist Church

6:00 p.m. - Kitchen Committee -  
Friendship Hall

### **THURSDAY, MARCH 16**

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

6:00 p.m. - Handbells

7:15 p.m. - Choir

### **FRIDAY, MARCH 17**

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

### **SUNDAY, MARCH 19**

*Food for Helping Hands*

*Cents-Ability Offering*

*3rd Sunday in Lent*

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

10:55 a.m. - Worship

7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

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## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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Closed for lunch	Noon - 1 p.m.		
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## SESSION

### Class of 2016-2017

Al Combs  
Peggy Debnam  
Betsy Gilmer  
Jack Schroder  
Scott Van Meter  
Peggy White

### 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

Patricia A. Lester, Clerk of Session

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Drs. Leslie and Cynthia Morgan in Bangladesh

Tim and Gloria Wheeler in Honduras