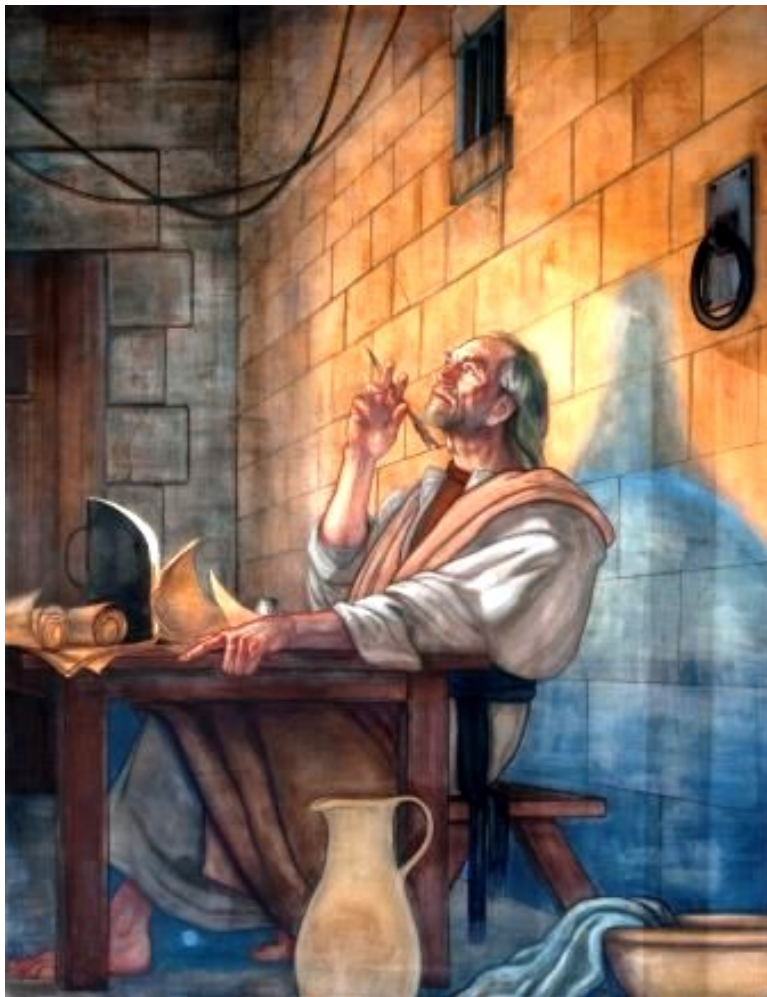




The Beckley Presbyterian Church
203 South Kanawha Street
Beckley, West Virginia 25801



January 15, 2023

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

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.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE GATHER AND CONFESS

PRELUDE

St. Anne

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive, From Psalm 40)*

I waited patiently for the LORD; he inclined to me and heard my cry.

He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure. He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD...

Then I said, "Here I am; in the scroll of the book it is written of me. I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart."

I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; see, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O LORD.

I have not hidden your saving help within my heart, I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.

Do not, O LORD, withhold your mercy from me; let your steadfast love and your faithfulness keep me safe forever.

INVOCATION

* HYMN 12

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

* CALL TO CONFESSION

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

Mighty God, you are Creator of all, yet we confess that we have not served you with the fullness of commitment you deserve. You call, O God, but we fail to listen. You ask us to follow, but we go our own way. You offer us new life, but we tread old, familiar paths that are empty and barren. In your mercy, loving God, forgive our sin. Replace our waywardness with faithful trust. Renew our spirits by your Spirit. Free our hearts from the grip of sin. Lead us to follow and serve Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

* **KYRIE**

Lord Have Mercy

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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

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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

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 49:1-7

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

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SERMON

Filling the Pages

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* **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 69**

Here I Am, Lord

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING

* **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 DEDICATION**

* **HYMN 306**

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

GOD'S PEOPLE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

I Danced in the Morning



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 Pastor after worship.

THE FLOWERS in the sanctuary are placed this morning to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Betty Wilson whose musical skills were a blessing to our church and community by Betsy Gilmer.

OUR PRAYERS go out to these churches today: First Presbyterian Church, Mannington and Rock Forge Presbyterian Church, Morgantown, both in the Presbytery of West Virginia; and Kabiru Church in the Gaaki parish in the Nyeri Presbytery.

OUR THANKS to: Ross Hageman, lay reader; Helen Walker, TWYD, and livestream operators Jennifer Mitchell and Justin Crump.

The Image on the cover of the bulletin is of a fresco painted by Ben Long at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Wilkesboro, N.C.

SUNDAY SCHOOL meet at 9:45 a.m. in the Witherspoon room.

ONLINE SUNDAY SCHOOL meets at 9:00 a.m. An electronic invitation is sent out ahead of time.

NURSERY CARE will be provided today in the Educational Building.

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.

LECTIONARY READINGS

January 1

Isa. 63:7-9 and Ps. 148;
Heb. 2:10-18; Matt. 2:13-2

January 8

Baptism of the Lord

Isa. 42:1-9 and Ps. 29;
Acts 10:34-43; Matt. 3:13-17

January 15

Isa. 49:1-7 and
Ps. 40:1-11;
1 Cor. 1:1-9; John 1:29-42

January 22

Isa. 9:1-4 and Ps. 27:1, 4-9;
1 Cor. 1:10-18;
Matt. 4:12-23

January 29

Micah 6:1-8 and Ps. 15;
1 Cor. 1:18-31;
Matt. 5:1-12

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, Jan 15

9 a.m. Online Sunday school.
9:45 a.m. Sunday school in
Witherspoon Room.
11:00 a.m.- Worship
7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM

MONDAY, Jan 16

Office Closed

TUESDAY, Jan 17

4:30 p.m.-Admin Mtg.
8:00 p.m.-AA Meeting-Ed Bldg.

WEDNESDAY, Jan 18

THURSDAY, Jan 19

FRIDAY, Jan 20

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

SATURDAY, Jan 21

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