



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



**August 6, 2023**

**10th Sunday after Pentecost**

*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**            *Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer*            J. Bert Carlson

### **CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Responsive, From Psalm 145*)

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**The LORD is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made...**

The LORD upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

**The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season.**

You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every living thing.

**The LORD is just in all his ways, and kind in all his doings.**

The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

**He fulfills the desire of all who fear him; he also hears their cry, and saves them.**

The LORD watches over all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy.

**My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD, and all flesh will bless his holy name forever and ever.**

## INVOCATION

\* HYMN 463

*How Firm a Foundation*

\* CALL TO CONFESSION

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

Almighty God, together we confess our sin. No one of us comes to this place without sin. Whether a sin of commission or omission we carry that reality. We seek your forgiveness today even as we face the truth that we will need your mercy given anew tomorrow. How grateful we are for your steadfast faithfulness to us. In our Lord's name we pray, amen.

\* **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** *Hymn of Promise* Natalie Sleeth

**TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** Genesis 32:22-31 page 30

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

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** Matthew 14:13-21 page 16

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

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 462**

*I Love to Tell the Story*

COMMUNION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING

*Nettleton*

Jason Payne

\* **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 542**

*God Be with You Till We Meet Again*

# GOD'S PEOPLE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

\* **BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*Lobe den Herren*

Jason Payne



## 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.

**FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON:** A hamburger cookout and ice cream social luncheon will be held in the Fellowship Hall following worship on August 13th. Sign up sheets for the luncheon are located on the table at the back of the church.

**OUR PRAYERS** go out to these churches today: Marsh Fork Presbyterian Church, Dry Creek and Valley Bend Presbyterian Church, Beverly, both in the Presbytery of West Virginia; and Gitumbi Church in the Rware parish in the Nyeri Presbytery.

**OUR THANKS** to: Brenda Meadows, greeter; Scott Worley, lay reader; Darlene McNeel, TWYD, and Jennifer Mitchell and Ross Hageman, livestream operators.

**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

### August 6

Gen. 32:22-31 and  
Ps. 17:1-7, 15; Isa. 55:1-5 and  
Ps. 145:8-9, 14-21; Rom 9:1-5;  
Matt. 14:13-21

### August 13

Gen. 37:1-4, 12-28 and  
Ps. 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b  
1 Kgs. 19:9-18 and  
Ps. 85:8-13;  
Rom 10:5-15; Matt 14:22-33

### August 20

Gen. 45:1-15 and Ps. 133;  
Isa. 56:1, 6-8 and Ps. 67;  
Rom. 11:1-2a, 29-32;  
Matt. 15:(10-21) 21-28

### August 27

Ex. 1:8-2:10 and Ps. 124;  
Isa. 51:1-6 and Ps. 138;  
Rom. 12:1-8; Matt. 16:13-20

## CALENDAR

### SUNDAY, Aug 6

9 a.m. Online Sunday school  
11:00 a.m.- Worship  
6:30 p.m.-AA Men's Mtg.  
7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM

### MONDAY, Aug 7

### TUESDAY, Aug 8

7:00 p.m.-AA Meeting-Ed Bldg.

### WEDNESDAY, Aug 9

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

### THURSDAY, Aug 10

### FRIDAY, Aug 11

7:00 p.m.-AA Meeting-Ed Bldg.

### SATURDAY, Aug 12

### SUNDAY, Aug 13

9 a.m. Online Sunday school  
11:00 a.m.- Worship  
Noon-Fellowship Luncheon  
6:30 p.m.-AA Men's Mtg.  
7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM

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**Property**-Bob Mestrovic

**Worship**-Al Combs

**Service**-Brenda Meadows & Lynne Clowers

## SESSION

### Class of 2023

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Clyde Smith  
Scott VanMeter  
Terry McGill  
Karen Reed

### Class of 2024

Al Combs  
Lynne Clowers  
Betsy Gilmer  
Bill Mullins  
Ann Worley

### Class of 2025

Mary Calvert  
Brenda Meadows  
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Billy Richmond

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