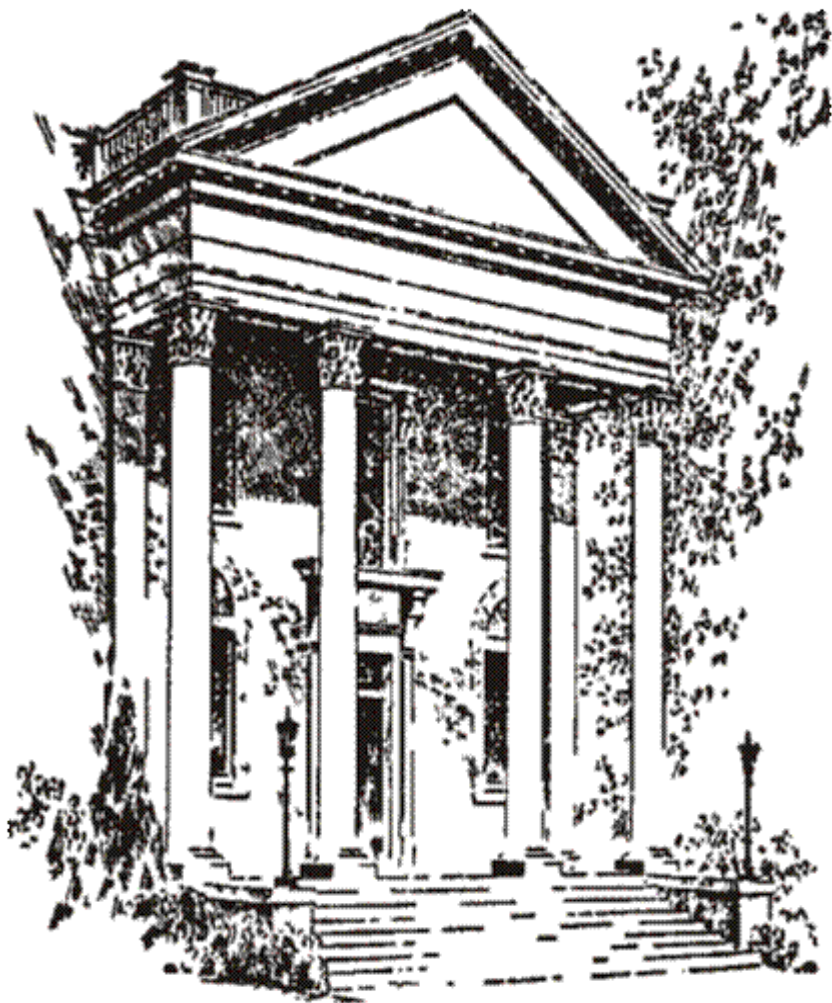




*The Beckley Presbyterian Church*  
*203 South Kanawha Street*  
*Beckley, West Virginia 25801*



**April 23, 2017**  
**2nd Sunday of Easter**

# GREETINGS AND WELCOME TO VISITORS

## ASSEMBLE IN PRAISE OF GOD

**PRELUDE**      *Voluntary in A major, Op. 7, no. 1*      John Stanley  
(1712-1786)

### **CALL TO WORSHIP** 1 Peter 1:3-4, 8-9

Leader:      Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord  
                Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given  
                us a new birth into a living hope through the  
                resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

**People: and into an inheritance that is imperishable,  
                undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you.**

Leader:      Although you have not seen him, you love him;

**People: and even though you do not see him now,  
                you believe in him and rejoice with  
                an indescribable and glorious joy,**

Leader:      for you are receiving the outcome of your faith,  
                the salvation of your souls.

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY** (Unison)

Ever-present God, who by the power of the Holy Spirit transforms us individually and as a church to be your dwelling place, confront us here in the midst of our doubts, grant us your peace while we face our fears, and increase our trust that we may embrace life in all its fullness. Speak to us now the word that we need, empowering us to be a unifying presence in our broken world. Amen.

\* **HYMN #238**

*Thine is the Glory*

### **LITANY OF ASSURANCE** Acts 2:25-26, 28, 32

Leader:      'I saw the Lord always before me,

**People: for he is at my right hand  
                so that I will not be shaken;**

Leader:      therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;

**People:** moreover my flesh will live in hope.

**Leader:** You have made known to me the ways of life;

**People:** you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

**All:** This Jesus God raised up,  
and of that all of us are witnesses.

\* **KYRIE ELEISON Hymn #551**

*Lord, Have Mercy*

\* **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

**ANTHEM**

*Hymn of Promise*

Natalie Sleeth

**TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**

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 (Unison)

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**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

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**Leader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

\* **HYMN #463**

*How Firm a Foundation*

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

Hands on Faith

**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**

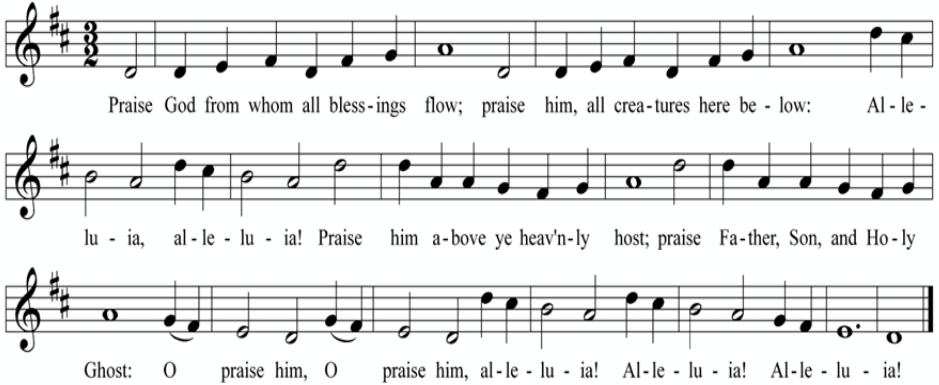
*While the offering is collected, please sign the Friendship Pad and pass it along your pew. When everyone in your row has signed, please return the pad noting the names of those worshipping with you today.*

**Offertory** *Sonata III in A major, Op. 65, No. 3: III. Andante Tranquillo*  
Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

## \* Doxology

Thomas Ken, 1709

*Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Cologne, 1623



Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be - low: Al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise him a -bove ye heav'n -ly host; praise Fa -ther, Son, and Ho -ly  
Ghost: O praise him, O praise him, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

## \*Prayer of Dedication

GOD'S PEOPLE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

## \* HYMN #318

*In Christ There Is No East or West*

## \* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

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

**POSTLUDE** *In dir ist Freude, BWV 615* Johann Sebastian Bach  
(1685-1750)

*The sympathy of the congregation  
is extended to Lannie Gillenwater  
on the death of his mother Beulah Gillenwater  
who joined the church triumphant on April 16, 2017*

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

*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 Barbara Chalfant back to our pulpit today. Barbara is the Associate for Mission for the Presbytery of WV responsible for the areas of Older Adult Ministry, Hunger Action, Social Justice, Peacemaking and Disaster needs. She is a Certified Educator and has served congregations in DC, Tennessee, Pennsylvania and Virginia. She is originally from Charlottesville, VA.

**WE WELCOME AGAIN** today, our guest organist, Dr. Kipp Cortez, Professor of Organ and Carillon at Concord University! We have enjoyed Kipp's music, especially in the recent Bach Recital. Tim is away this weekend, serving as Guest Conductor for the second time for the Annual Handbell Festival at Riverside Church – New York City.

**THE FLOWERS** in the sanctuary are placed this morning to the Glory of God by Rita and Jerry Johnson.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** - There will be a congregational meeting held **Sunday, May 7**, at the close of worship for the election of officers.

**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: Clifton Presbyterian Church, Maxwelton Elk Hills Presbyterian Church, Charleston Glenville Presbyterian Church; Thageini Parish in the Nyeri Presbytery.

**OUR THANKS** to Marie Lewis for 'Cookies in the Witherspoon Room' to Betsy Gilmer Lay Reader, Time for Young Disciples Leader Helen Walker, Robin VanMeter Nursery Assistant and to this week's greeters Walt and Betty Klingensmith.

## ELDERS ON CALL

**April 23-29** Betsy Gilmer & Peggy Debnam

**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, APRIL 23**

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School  
10:55 a.m. - Worship  
12:00 p.m.-Ministry of Christian Ed-  
Witherspoon Room  
7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

### **MONDAY, APRIL 24**

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

### **TUESDAY, APRIL 25**

9:00 a.m. - Shepherd's Center  
10 a.m. - Tuesday Morning in  
Witherspoon  
8:00 p.m. - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

### **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26**

11:00 a.m.-The Carpenter's Corner  
Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg  
6:30 p.m.-Book Club- Witherspoon  
Rm

### **THURSDAY, APRIL 27**

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.  
6:00 p.m. - Handbells  
7:15 p.m. - Choir

### **FRIDAY, APRIL 28**

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

### **SUNDAY, APRIL 30**

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School  
10:55 a.m. - Worship  
7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

*“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.”*

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