



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



1st
Sunday
in
Lent

March 10, 2019
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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 Prelude on *Forty Days and Forty Nights* Charles Callahan

CALL TO WORSHIP (*Responsive*) Nancy Kissinger

In the season of Lent, we lay down our heavy burdens,
for the weight of the world is not ours to carry,
and the life of the church is not ours to save.
Repent and believe,
for the calling of Christ leads us to follow,
and the grace of God offers us transformation.
Let us worship God.

PRAYER OF THE DAY (*Together*)

God Most High, thank you for signs of your power and grace, shown to us even in the wilderness. Give us courage to stand firm in your Word in every time of trial and testing, that we may enter the land of your freedom and receive the salvation you so generously give; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

* **HYMN 166** *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days*

* **CALL TO CONFESSION**

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

God of depths, searcher of hearts, you know the tumult of our lives—a busyness that bruises those nearest, a loneliness that claws at the soul, a fearfulness that leads to distrust and cynicism. You know our longing for a more centered life—time for reflection in prayer; gracious, unhurried times with friends and family; renewing rest and exercise; growing moments to deepen our faith and witness.

God of our days and our wishes, lead us into this holy time

of Lent so we can let go of that which pulls us from your path. Give us the courage to persist in prayer, excel in kindness and walk gently on the earth. Heal the wounds we carry, forgive the errors we commit and lead us to new life. In the name of Jesus. 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 *Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel* Moses Hogan

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES Nancy Hageman

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)*

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Page 180

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SERMON

Living in Gratitude

* **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 43**

Eagle’s Wings

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

Ab, Holy Jesus

Charles Callahan

* **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 THANKSGIVING**

GOD'S PEOPLE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

* **HYMN 620** *Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven*

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

* **CHORAL RESPONSE** *Jesus Remember Me* Taize H

* **POSTLUDE** Improvisation on *Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle*
Charles Callahan

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

OPEN FLOWER DATES are available, please contact Betsy Gilmer (304)253-8923 if you would like to place flowers on the alter in memory or honor of someone.

NOMINATING FORMS for the class of 2021-2022 are available in the Narthex. Please take one along with a list of confirmed member and return by Sunday, April 7th.

HELPING HANDS we are once again collecting toilet paper and soap for helping hands this month. You may drop it off at the baskets in the back of the sanctuary.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON will be downstairs in Friendship Hall following worship today everyone is welcome. Please join us and invite a friend.

OUR PRAYERS go out to these churches today Teays Valley Presbyterian Church and Scott Depot First Presbyterian Church, Welch in the Presbytery of West Virginia; Kagwathi Church in the Gikanja Parish in the Nyeri Presbytery.

OUR THANKS to Nancy Kissinger Lay Reader ,Nancy Hageman Time for Young Disciples Leader , Patricia Lester Nursery Assistant and to this week's greeter Judy Harrah.

ELDERS ON CALL

Mar 10-16-Mac Tieche

Mar 17-23-Drema Davis and Marcia Fairlie

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, March 10

9:45 a.m.-Sunday School
10:55 a.m.-Worship
12:00 p.m.-Fellowship Luncheon
7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

MONDAY, March 11

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.
5:30 p.m.-Church Growth Mtg

TUESDAY, March 12

9:00 a.m.-Shepherds Center mtg.
10:00 a.m.-Knitting in Witherspoon
6:30 p.m.-Cub Scouts
8:00 p.m. - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

WEDNESDAY, March 13

11:00 a.m.-The Carpenter's Corner
Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

THURSDAY, March 14

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

FRIDAY, March 15

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

SATURDAY, March 16

9:00 a.m.-Pres Prep Mtg

SUNDAY, March 17

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

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SESSION

Class of 2018-2019

Nancy Cameron

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)

Rev. Monte Mitchell, Moderator

Dan Calvert, Clerk of Session

MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY BECKLEY PRESBYTERIAN

Drs. Leslie and Cynthia Morgan in Bangladesh

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