



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



Baptism of the LORD

January 12, 2020
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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.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Shall We Gather At the River* BPC Handbells

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive, from Psalm 29)*

Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name; worship the LORD in holy splendor.

The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over mighty waters.

The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

INVOCATION

* **HYMN 611** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

* **CALL TO CONFESSION**

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

Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves, separated from sisters and brothers in Christ. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another; we allow the past to hold us hostage. In your loving kindness, have mercy on us, and free us from sin. Remind us of the promises you make in baptism so that we may rise to new life, and live together in grace. 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 *Carol of the Baptism* arr. George Brandon

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

The Lord's Prayer (*Together*) Page 35

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 42: 1-9 Page 670

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

THE NEW TESTAMENT Matthew 3: 13-17 Page 3

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

SERMON Remember Your Baptism

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 630

Fairest Lord Jesus

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING

Offertory *Shall We Gather At the River* arr. Aaron Copeland

* 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 408

There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* CHORAL RESPONSE

The Lord Bless and Keep You

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POSTLUDE

Deep River

BPC Handbells

GO IN PEACE!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FRIENDSHIP PADS are located at the end of the row. Please sign and pass it along your pew as we prepare for worship.

THE FLOWERS in the sanctuary are placed this morning to the Glory of God and in memory of William H. (Bill) Critser as Minister of Music. He had a profound influence of the music program of the this church and the community. Many have continued his legacy.

WELCOME back Theo Dhinakaran as our guest pianist. We appreciate his talents and musicianship for our worship service while Tim is away at the National Conference of Sacred Music in Charleston, SC.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH All are welcome to join us today **Sunday, January 12th**, following worship for our Fellowship Lunch.

CENTS-ABILITY offering will be taken up next Sunday, January 19th after the service at the back of the church.

OUR THANKS to Al Combs, lay reader; Jennifer Blankenship, Time for Young Disciples leader; Anja Dhinakaran, nursery assistant, and to this week's greeter.

ELDERS ON CALL

Jan 12-18-Bob Mestrovic and Al Combs

Jan 19-25-Charles McNeel

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

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 en-**

NURSERY CARE is provided in the Educational Building from 9:30 a.m. to noon for newborn to age 5.

FELLOWSHIP and refreshments are available in the Witherspoon Room during the Sunday School hour.

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, Jan 12

9:45 a.m.-Sunday School
11:00 a.m. - Worship
12:00 p.m.-Fellowship Luncheon
7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

MONDAY, Jan 13

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

TUESDAY, Jan 14

9:00 a.m.-The Shepherd's Center
6:30 p.m.-Worship Mtg.
6:30 p.m.-Cub Scouts
8:00 p.m. - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

WEDNESDAY, Jan 15

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

THURSDAY, Jan 16

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

FRIDAY, Jan 17

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

SATURDAY, Jan 18

SUNDAY, Jan 19

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Class of 2019-2020

Al Combs
Betsy Gilmer
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David Sotak

Class of 2020-2021

Daniel Calvert
Marcia Fairlie
Ross Hageman
Marie Lewis
Barbara Yurick

Class of 2021-2022

Nancy Cameron
Nancy Kissinger
Dr. Billy Richmond
Robert Mestrovic
Charles McNeel
Youth Representative
Rachel Feldhake
(one year term)

Rev. Monte Mitchell, Moderator

Dan Calvert, Clerk of Session

MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY BECKLEY PRESBYTERIAN

Drs. Leslie and Cynthia Morgan in Bangladesh

Rev. Dori Kay Hjalmarson, Honduras