



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



# Transfiguration OF THE LORD

February 23, 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**

*Festival Intrada*

BPC Handbells

## **CALL TO WORSHIP** *(Responsive)*

Pastor: The Lord said to Moses: Come up to the mountain.

**People: and the glory of the Lord shone like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people.**

Pastor: Let us worship the Lord our God.

**People: Jesus led his disciples up a high mountain, and he was transfigured, shining like the sun.**

Pastor: The voice of God spoke from the cloud, and the disciples were overcome with fear. Jesus touched them and said, "Get up and do not be afraid."

**All: Let us worship the Lord our God.**

## INVOCATION

\* **HYMN 12**

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

\* **CALL TO CONFESSION**

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

Almighty God, Through your Word and the power of your Holy Spirit you have given us mountains of promise, with grace, mercy, hope and love. But we are like the disciples who don't understand and who doubt. We live in fear because we forget your promises. Our confidence wanes because we seek the things of the world instead of relying on you. We dislike others and elevate our own selfish interest because we have not taken seriously your command to love God and neighbor. Forgive us. Transform our hearts and minds that we might be followers of Jesus in word and deed, according to your promises and in your steadfast love. It is in the name of Jesus 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** *Beautiful Savior* David Allen

**TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**

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

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**THE OLD TESTAMENT** Exodus 24: 12-18 Page 70

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

**THE NEW TESTAMENT** Matthew 17: 1-9 Page 18

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

**SERMON**

Mountains of Promise

## 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 192**

*Shine, Jesus, Shine*

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

### OFFERING

Offertory

Ein Keloheinu אֵין כְּאֵלֵינוּ  
(there is none like our God)

Ludwig Altman

\* **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 193**

*Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain*

\* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

\* **CHORAL RESPONSE**

*The Lord Bless and Keep You*

Lutkin

**POSTLUDE**

*Processional*

William Mathias

***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 Pastor after worship.

**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 loving memory of Carol Case Booth 's 95th birthday by her daughter Ellen Combs and family.

**LENTEN BIBLE STUDY** You are invited to a Wednesday evening Lenten Bible study about forgiveness. What does it mean to forgive? Why should I forgive? Does it mean that what happened isn't important or doesn't matter? Join us as we explore these questions and what it means to be a people who are forgiven. Supper will begin at 6 p.m., with the study to follow, on Wednesday, March 11, 18 and 25 and April 1.

**COOKIES NEEDED** looking for volunteers to bring cookies on Sunday mornings. If you would like to furnish cookies for Sunday mornings the sign up sheet is in the Witherspoon Room.

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE** will be 7:00 p.m. this Wednesday, February 26th.

**WEDNESDAY LENTEN LUNCHEON SERVICES** will be at noon: **March 4th** at St. Francis De Sales; **March 11th** at Beckley First Baptist Church; **March 18th** at First Christian Church; **March 25th** at First United Methodist Church and **April 1st** here at Beckley Presbyterian Church. A light lunch will follow each service.

**SERMON BOOK AVAILABLE** A book of sermons by the Rev. Robin Debnam, drawn from his 40 years of ministry, is available by special order. Cost of each book is \$12, plus shipping if needed. Please see Peggy Debnam if you would like to order a book or call her at 304-923-4822.

**OUR THANKS** to: Valerie Hartling, for cookies in the Witherspoon Room; Mary Calvert, lay reader; Jennifer Blankenship, Time for Young Disciples leader; Sarah, Elizabeth & Carol Mestrovic, nursery assistants, and to this week's greeter, Paulette Buzbee.

## ELDERS ON CALL

Feb 23-29-Marie Lewis and Billy Richmond

**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.

**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.

**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, Feb 23**

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

#### **MONDAY, Feb 24**

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

#### **TUESDAY, Feb 25**

9:00 a.m.-The Shepherd's Center  
8:00 p.m. - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

#### **WEDNESDAY, Feb 26**

*Ash Wednesday*  
Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.  
7:00 p.m.-Ash Wednesday Service  
with Holy Communion

#### **THURSDAY, Feb 27**

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

#### **FRIDAY, Feb 28**

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

#### **SATURDAY, Feb 29**

#### **SUNDAY, Mar 1**

##### *1st Sunday in Lent*

9:45 a.m.-Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. - Worship with  
Holy Communion  
7 p.m. Worship on 99.5 FM Radio

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**Congregational Care**-Marie Lewis

## SESSION

### 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

### Class of 2021-2022

Nancy Cameron

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Dr. Billy Richmond

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Youth Representative

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(one year term)

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