



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



March 8, 2020  
2nd Sunday of Lent

*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**      *Prelude & Fugue in g minor BWV 558*      J.S.Bach

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

Leader: O Lord, open my eyes,

**People: so I might see the vision of your truth.**

Leader: O Lord, open my ears,

**People: and I will hear your word.**

Leader: O Lord, open my lips,

**People: and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

## INVOCATION

\* **HYMN 307**      *God of Grace and God of Glory*

\* **CALL TO CONFESSION**

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

**O God, we confess that we often look back. We look back on mistakes we have made, work left undone, people we have hurt, and excuses we have made. We see these as things for which we feel guilty. We overwhelm ourselves with regret. Free us, O God, from self-condemnation that immobilizes us. Allow us to remember that you call us to look back, to remember those times of joy, to remember those people who were kind and compassionate, to remember that we did the best we were able to do, to remember that in Christ our past is transformed, to remember that you journey with us each day of our life. May we continue to grow in grace and truth. 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**

\* **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 FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

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

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**THE NEW TESTAMENT** Matthew 17:20

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

**THE EPISTLE TESTAMENT** 2 Timothy 1:4-7

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

### SERMON

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

### \* **AFFIRMATION** From The Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### \* **HYMN 324**

*For All the Faithful Women*

### **MOMENT FOR MISSION**

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

### **INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

### **OFFERING**

**Offertory**

*Da Jesus an dem Kreuze Stund BWV 621*

J.S. Bach



## 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.

**CELEBRATE THE GIFTS OF WOMEN International Women's Day.** Today we appreciate all the women of the church and the many gifts they bring to this community. They have planned and are leading today's service. We welcome to the pulpit Barbara Chalfant, the Presbytery of West Virginia's associate for mission. She serves as an advocate, pastor and educator assisting and advocating for the mission needs of our Presbytery's congregations, sharing the good news of our ministry together in West Virginia and beyond, and focused on the areas of older adult ministry, hunger action and social justice.

**FELLOWSHIP MEAL** will be today following worship. We will be serving corn beef, cabbage, potatoes, salad and dessert.

**LENTEN BIBLE STUDY** Please join us for 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. Pastor Monte will lead the study.

**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.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will be held immediately after the worship service on March 15 for the purpose of considering the annual report and budget.

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

**OUR THANKS** to: Nancy Hageman, for cookies in the Witherspoon Room; Helen Trader, lay reader; Helen Walker, Time for Young Disciples leader; Patricia Lester, nursery assistant, and to this week's greeter, Todd Scott.

## ELDERS ON CALL

**Mar 8-14**-Ross Hageman and Al Combs

**Mar 15-21**-Dan and Mary Calvert

**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, Mar 8**

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, Mar 9**

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

### **TUESDAY, Mar 10**

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

### **WEDNESDAY, Mar 11**

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

### **THURSDAY, Mar 12**

Noon - AA Meeting - Ed. Bldg.

### **FRIDAY, Mar 13**

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

### **SATURDAY, Mar 14**

Noon-PW Meeting

### **SUNDAY, Mar 15**

#### ***3rd Sunday in Lent***

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

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## 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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(one year term)

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