



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



December 13, 2020

Online Service only due to Covid 19 Pandemic

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Peggy White and Marcie Fairlie:

We light this candle in hope.

We light this candle for peace.

We light this candle in joy. With Mary and Joseph, we rejoice.

All: For the Mighty One has done great things for us.

How holy is God's name!

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive, Psalm 126)*

When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy; then it was said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."

The LORD has done great things for us, and we rejoiced.

Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the watercourses in the Negeb.

May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.

Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.

INVOCATION

HYMN 119

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, You are coming in power to bring all things under your rule. We confess that we have not expected your kingdom, for we live casual lives, ignoring your promised judgment. We accept lies as truth, exploit neighbors, abuse the earth, and refuse your justice and peace. In your mercy, forgive us. Grant us wisdom to welcome your way, and to seek things that will endure when Christ comes to judge the world. In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

ANTHEM

THE OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 61: 1-4, 8-11

THE NEW TESTAMENT

Matthew 1: 18-25

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

SERMON

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING

HYMN 147vv. 1, 6

The First Nowell

GOD'S PEOPLE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

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POSTLUDE

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