



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



May 9, 2021
Mother's Day
6th Sunday of Easter

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

WE GATHER AND CONFESS

PRELUDE Meditation on *Agnus Dei XVIII* TH Waugh

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive)*

Mothers come in many different forms, and today we celebrate them!

Thank God for mothers!

Everyone here is either a son or a daughter.

Thank God for my mother!

For those women who have joined God in Heaven and whom we miss dearly here on earth.

Thank God for the mothers who kept the faith.

For every woman who is working day and night to raise her children right now.

Thank God for the mothers of today.

For all the women who are expecting a treasured child, and are excited for the future.

Thank God for the soon-to-be-mothers.

For the women who took in others' children through adoption and foster care.

Thank God for the mothers with hearts so big.

For those women who have lost a child to death and must carry on.

Thank God for the mothers who are so strong.

We thank you, Lord, for the women who have influenced our lives in so many ways, and we ask your blessings on mothers.

INVOCATION

* **HYMN 610** *(see bulletin)*

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

*** CALL TO CONFESSION**

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

God, we often forget to put you first, we seek to run our own lives forgetting that we would not be here if it wasn't for you. Help us to put you first for we truly want to live lives that will be pleasing to you. We often get caught up in the pressures of life. We do things we should not do. Forgive us. Help us in the moments of temptation to turn to you, let us be strong and faithful. Amen.

*** KYRIE**

Lord Have Mercy

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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

Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE GOSPEL LESSON

John 13:34-35; 14:15-21; 15:12-17

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

THE EPISTLE LESSON

1 John 5: 1-6

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

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

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING

* **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 DEDICATION**

* **HYMN 833** (*see bulletin*) *O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go*

GOD’S PEOPLE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

* **BENEDICTION**

* **POSTLUDE** Reflections on *Ubi Caritas* THWaugh

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing 610

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my
 2 The name of Je - sus charms our fears, and
 3 Christ speaks, and lis - tening to his voice new
 4 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as -
 5 To God all glo - ry, praise, and love be

dear Re - deem - er's praise, the glo - ries of my
 bids our sor - rows cease, sings mu - sic in the
 life the dead re - ceive; the mourn - ful wak - en
 sist me to pro - claim, to spread through all the
 now and ev - er given by saints be - low and

God and King, the tri - umphs of God's grace!
 sin - ner's ears, brings life, and health, and peace.
 to re - joice; the poor in heart be - lieve.
 earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy name.
 saints a - bove, the church in earth and heaven.

SPANISH

1 *Mil voces para celebrar
 a mi Libertador,
 las glorias de su majestad,
 los triunfos de su amor.*

KOREAN

1 만 입이 내게 있으면
 그 입 다 가지고
 내 구주 주신 은총을
 늘 찬송하겠네

This text comes from an eighteen-stanza hymn the author wrote to mark the first anniversary of his life-changing conversion experience. It is now customarily the first hymn in Methodist hymnals worldwide. This tune, adapted from a German composer, is the usual North American setting.

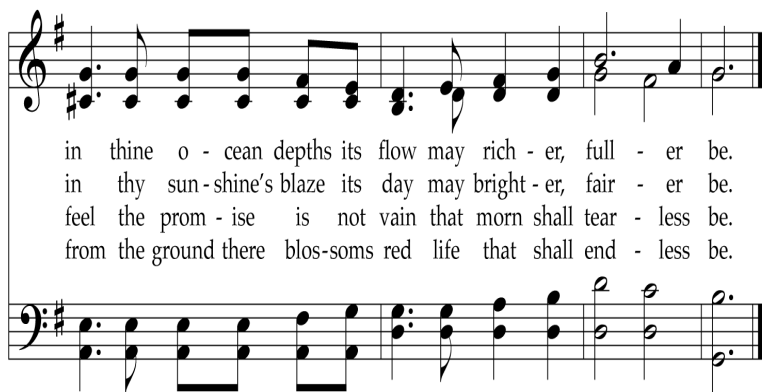
O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go 833



1 O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my
2 O Light that fol-lowest all my way, I yield my
3 O Joy that seek-est me through pain, I can-not
4 O Cross that lift-est up my head, I dare not



wea-ry soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that
flick-ering torch to thee; my heart re-stores its bor-rowed ray, that
close my heart to thee; I trace the rain-bow through the rain, and
ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glo-ry dead, and



in thine o-cean depths its flow may rich-er, full-er be.
in thy sun-shine's blaze its day may bright-er, fair-er be.
feel the prom-ise is not vain that morn shall tear-less be.
from the ground there blos-soms red life that shall end-less be.

This intense hymn of commitment to God (addressed as Love, Light, and Joy) closes with an invocation of the ultimate testimony to those attributes (the Cross). The composer, a Scotsman, named this specially-composed tune for the 11th-century patroness of Scotland.

SUNDAY SCHOOL is at 9:00 a.m. and will continue to meet online for the time being. An electronic invitation will be sent out ahead of time.

NURSERY CARE will not be open today due to covid 19 virus.

Friendship Bread. The Church Growth and Service committee is leading a new ministry effort to deliver fresh baked homemade bread to people. They would like your help in identifying people to serve. It could be a shut-in or someone who has a special need, or it might be someone to whom we can show our appreciation or encouragement. You can submit your suggestions in the church box where we collect the offerings.

Choir. Choir practice has begun again at 7 p.m. Wednesday's. They would love to have new singers join returning members. New handbell ringers are also welcome. Handbell practice will begin at 6 p.m. with choir practice to follow at 7 p.m. If you'd like to join either the handbells or choir, please see Kim Smith.

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, May 9

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

MONDAY, May 10

TUESDAY, May 11

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

WEDNESDAY, May 12

11:00 a.m.-Carpenter's Corner
6:00 p.m.-Handbells
7:00 p.m.-Choir

THURSDAY, May 13

FRIDAY, May 14

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

SATURDAY, May 15

SUNDAY, May 16

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

To prevent the spread of the covid 19 virus, please take your bulletin with you as you leave today.

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