

Bryson City Presbyterian Church
5th Sunday in Easter
April 29, 2018

Gathering of God's People

"Blessed are the humble for they are close to the sacred earth." - Matt. 5:5

Prelude *Psalms Prelude* Groden

Preparation for Worship

Call to Worship (**Please read bold**) Psalm 22

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord;
And all the families of the nations shall worship before God.
Future generations will be told about the Lord, saying all that he has done for us.
We will praise God in the great congregation and pay our vows to the Most High.
LET US WORSHIP GOD!

*Hymn of Praise 667 *When Morning Gilds the Skies* LAUDES DOMINI

Prayer for Awareness (unison) John Phillip Newell

You, Lord, are the Ground of all being. You are the Well-Spring of all time. You are the Seed-Force of all life. And so, at the opening of this day we wait, not for blessings from afar, but for you to be present among us here in this place. For you are the early freshness of morning and the first breath of our day. HEAR OUR PRAYERS.

(Be silent, be still, and be aware)

Assurance of Pardon
"God lifts up those who are bowed down." (Psalm 146: 8)
Friends, hear the Good News of the Gospel,
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*Gloria #579
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.

Story Time

*Hymn of Meditation 630 *Fairest Lord Jesus* CRUSADERS' HYMN

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offertory *Christ Be in My Waking* arr. Shackley

*Doxology #592
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.

Proclamation of the Word

Anthem *I Surrender All To You* McDonald

Scripture John 15: 1-8
Sermon *"Hang in There"* Rev. Terry L. Hanna

Responding to the Word

*A Prayer of Blessing (read bold) John Phillip Newell
May the deep blessings of earth be with you. May the deep blessings of seas surge in your soul. May the boundless stretches of the universe echo in your depths-
to open us to wonder, to strengthen us in love, to humble us with gratitude, that we may find ourselves in one another, lose ourselves in gladness, and give ourselves to peace. Amen.

*Hymn of Commitment 726 *Will You Come and Follow Me* KELVINGROVE

*Benediction
May the love of God go with you from this place.
May your hours and days show forth His praise.

*Postlude *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation* arr. Page
*Please stand, if able.

Mission Statement of The Bryson City Presbyterian Church

We seek to follow Jesus Christ as we...

Engage and encourage one another in worship and fellowship

Learn together as we grow in discipleship and

Reach out in love

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, May 2nd

11:00 a.m. Bible Study

Thursday, May 3rd

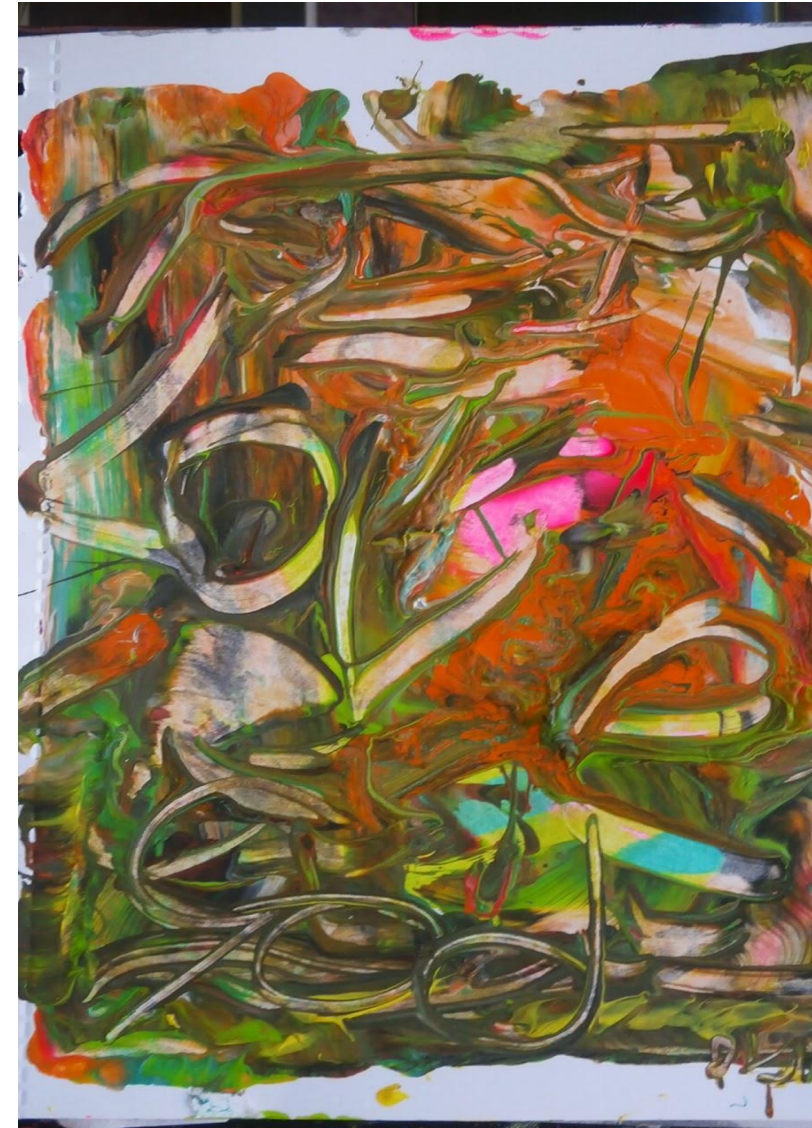
8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast

Looking Ahead

Looking for a few good helpers who love golf and care about their community!

Frank Monateri is putting together a **"GLOW IN THE DARK" Golf Tournament** on **August 10th** to benefit the Bryson City Food Pantry, Sweet Thoughts, and The Swain County Caring Corner - all ministries that our church supports.

Frank needs a team to help him make this event happen. Anyone interested? Please meet with Frank in the Fellowship Hall after worship today or call him at 736-5827.



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