

**Bryson City Presbyterian Church**  
**December 2, 2018 – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent “Hope”**

*“While we are waiting, come; Jesus our Lord, Emmanuel, while we are waiting, come.”*

Prelude *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* Celtic Trio

**Preparation for Worship**

Call to Worship Psalm 25  
To you, O Lord, we lift up our soul.  
**Our God, in you we trust.**

Lighting the Flame of Hope Advent 1 Frank & Marilyn Monateri

1. Kin - dle this flame of hope. May it burn bright and true.  
2. God's realm is our de - sire, where peace and jus - tice reign.

Light-ing the way that is of God, the jour - ney we pur - sue.  
Hea - ven and earth com - bined as one, when Christ shall come a - gain.

WORDS: Gary L. Lake Dillensnyder, 2009  
MUSIC: Robert Jackson, 1888

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**LET US WORSHIP GOD!**

\*Hymn of Praise #82 *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus* HYFRYDOL

Prayer of Confession (unison)  
**Lord, have mercy on us. We are not ready for your coming. We live in sin, as though there were no justice. We live in fear, as though there were no grace. Forgive us, Lord. Show us your mercy and steadfast love. Lead us in your truth, and teach us your paths, for you are the God of our salvation.**  
**HEAR OUR PRAYERS.** (Silent Prayers)

Assurance of Pardon  
The Lord is our righteousness. Hear the good news.  
**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

Gloria #580  
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 #97 *Watchman, Tell Us of the Night* ABERYSTWYTH

Old Testament Reading Psalm 25

Pastoral Prayer & 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.**

Offering & Offertory *In the Bleak Mid-Winter* Celtic Trio

\*Doxology # 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

**Proclamation of the Word**

Anthem *Veni, Veni Emmanuel* arr. Leavitt

Scripture Jeremiah 33: 14-16

Sermon *“What's In a Name?”* Rev. Terry L. Hanna

**Responding to the Word**

Congregational Meeting

Prayer of Commitment (unison)  
**Holy One, you have promised us that the day of our salvation is near. Keep us faithful in love and watchful in prayer, so that we may stand with confidence and joy at the coming of Christ, our Redeemer and Lord. Amen.**

\*Hymn of Commitment #92 *While We Are Waiting, Come* WAITING

\*Postlude Celtic Trio

\*Charge Psalm 25:21  
May integrity and righteousness preserve us, as we wait for you.

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

\*Please Stand

Our thanks go out to the Celtic Trio for making today's worship special.  
Drew & Susie Campbell, Rachel Lackey

## Upcoming Events

### Today – After Worship

**Christmas Tea & Cakes**  
**Decorate the Christmas Tree**  
**Pick Up your Angel off the Angel Tree**

**Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>**  
**11:00 a.m. Advent Bible Study Begins**  
**Everyone Welcome**

**Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast**



## Holiday Happenings

DECEMBER 9 & 16 10 AM  
During Sunday School - Children's practice time for the Christmas Drama

DECEMBER 13 12 NOON  
PW Christmas Potluck Dinner at Jessie Greyer's Home

DECEMBER 16 11 AM  
Christmas Cantata

DECEMBER 19 6:30 PM  
Children's Christmas Drama & Supper  
Bring Your "Angel" Gift

DECEMBER 24 7 PM  
Christmas Eve Moravian Love Feast

DECEMBER 24  
Office Closed until January 2, 2019

#### BCPC Elders

Collin Caldwell, Drew Campbell, Kyle Colley, Cathy Evans, Bob Jordan

#### BCPC Staff

Pastor – Rev. Terry Hanna; Minister of Music – Rev. Rachel Lackey;  
Administrative Assistant – Lori Anderson; Nursery – Josie Parker; Custodian – Renee Mercer