

**Bryson City Presbyterian Church
December 30, 2018**

Gathering of God's People

Greetings

Prelude *Sussex Carol* arr. Fedak

Call to Worship Psalm 98

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

We will sing praises to the Lord.

Break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

We will sing to you a new song, O God, for the marvelous things you have done. LET US WORSHIP GOD!

Preparation for Worship

Light the flame of CHRIST
Reading from the Prophet Isaiah Isaiah 52:7

*Hymn of Praise 143 *Angels, from the Realms of Glory*

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Dear Lord, the journey through this season can be exhausting, stressful and confusing. At times HOPE eludes us, PEACE is out of the question, and JOY seems impossible. We confess our need for your coming, once again, into our imperfect lives. Open our hearts to dream dreams. Open our ears to hear the voices of angels. Open our eyes to see the glory of the Lord. Strengthen our bodies that we might share your LOVE for the sake of the world you seek to save. HEAR OUR PRAYERS. (Silent Prayers)

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, hear the good news of the gospel.

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 124 *Still, Still, Still*

Prayers of Intercession

Offering & Offertory *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring with The First Noel*

*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

Medley of Hymns (first verse only)

132 *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*
133 *O Come, All Ye Faithful*
134 *Joy to the World*

Scripture Colossians 3: 12-17
Meditation "New Clothes for a New Year" Rev. Terry Hanna

Responding to the Word

*Litany of Commitment

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, and patience.

Above all we will put on love which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

Bear with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgive each other.

Above all we will put on love which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs with thankfulness to God.

Above all we will put on love which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do it in Christ's name, giving thanks to God.

Above all we will put on love which binds everything together in perfect harmony. Amen.

*Hymn of Commitment 136 *Go, Tell It on the Mountain*

*Benediction

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

*Postlude *Postlude on Ukrainian Carol* arr. Fedak

*Please Stand

The 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

This Week

Wednesday, January 2nd , 2019

BCPC Office re-opens

11:00 am Bible Study

Thursday, January 3rd

8:00 am Men's Breakfast

Saturday, January 5th

2:00 – 4:00 pm Memorial for Shan Goshorn

At The Museum of the Cherokee Indian

589 Tsali Blvd, Cherokee, NC 28719

Looking Ahead

Sunday, January 6th

Epiphany of the Lord

Welcome to our new members!

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