

**Bryson City Presbyterian Church**  
**September 16, 2018 - Humanity Sunday**

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**Gathering of God's People**

Prelude *An Irish Blessing* Mansfield

**Preparation for Worship**

Call to Worship (please read bold)  
Peoples from every corner of creation,  
**Celebrate with all creatures on Earth!**  
Young and old across the planet,  
**Rejoice in the day that God has made!**  
Peoples of every land,  
**Help us sense the spirit deep in each land!**  
Peoples of all colors and every shade,  
**Celebrate with us the richness of creation!**  
All humanity on Planet Earth,  
**Praise God for our planet home.**  
Sing, peoples, sing!  
**Sing, creation, sing!**  
**LET US WORSHIP GOD!**

\*Hymn of Praise 401 *Gather Us In* GATHER US IN

Reading 1 Genesis 1: 26-28

Prayer of Confession (unison)  
**God, our Creator, as we reflect on the ways that humans have sought to dominate creation, help us to hear the cries of creatures. Fill us with your risen power. Help us to serve and preserve our planet home and to celebrate life with people from all lands and nations. In the name of Christ, the Risen Servant, who is the true image of God among us. HEAR OUR PRAYERS.** (silent prayers)

Assurance of Pardon  
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 693 *Thou I May Speak* GIFT OF LOVE

Reading 2 Psalm 8: 3-9

Prayers of the People & 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 *Rhosymedre* R. Vaughan Williams

\*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 *Wade in the Water* arr. Printz  
Men's Ensemble

Scripture James 2: 1, 8; 14-17

Sermon "All God's Children" Rev. Terry Hanna

**Responding to the Word**

Sending (please read bold)  
Christ calls you to be his disciples, to serve him with love and compassion, to serve Earth and the peoples of Earth. Will you care for creation?  
**With Christ, we will care for creation! With Christ, we will keep our planet green! With Christ, we will celebrate life! Amen.**

\*Hymn of Commitment 722 *Lord Speak to Me That I May Speak* CANONBURY

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

\*Postlude *When I Can Read My Title Clear* arr. Kerrick

\*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*

**Our thanks go out to the Men's Ensemble for making our worship special.**

**Upcoming Events**

**Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday, September 21<sup>st</sup>**  
Pastor Terry @ Continuing Education in Black Mountain

**Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>**  
11:00 a.m. Bible Study

**Thursday, September 20<sup>th</sup>**  
8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast

**Looking Ahead**

**Next Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> – Sky Sunday**

**Monday, October 1<sup>st</sup>**  
6:00 p.m. Session Meeting



**Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup>**  
BCPC Fall Picnic

It will be at the Deep Creek Picnic Shelter this year,  
after worship.

Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, and "pot luck" sides, salads and desserts.  
Sign-up sheet in the hallway.

YTD Income	\$94,781
YTD Expenses	<u>\$94,911</u>
Net	(\$130)

**BCPC Elders**

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

**BCPC Staff**

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



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