# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

April 21, 2024

## THE GATHERING

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

PRELUDE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We seek to follow Jesus Christ as we Engage

People: and encourage one another in worship and fellowship.

Leader: Lear

People: together as we grow in discipleship and

Leader: Reach
People: out in love.

All: Let us worship God!

\*HYMN 187 Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You have made us, we are Your people, the sheep of Your pasture. For the times that we seek other pastures and greener options, have patience with us. For the occasions when we have desired our way over the way that was walked by Christ, forgive us. For the times we turn away and perhaps tempt others to do the same, pursue us with Your grace.

Silent Prayer

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

\*RESPONSE CHORUS 582

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen World without end, without end. Amen. (3x)

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

# THE WORD

TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Ezekiel 34: 1-16

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING John 1: 1-8

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Interpretive Signs of the Trailhead" Rev. Tempe Lee Fussell

## **OUR THANKFUL RESPONSE**

CHORAL ANTHEM

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from the Confession of 1967

In Jesus of Nazareth, true humanity was realized once for all. Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people and shared their needs, temptations, joys and sorrows. He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to all kinds of sinful men and women. But his complete obedience led him into conflict with his people. His life and teaching judged their goodness, religious aspirations, and national hopes. Many rejected him and demanded his death. In giving himself freely for them, he took upon himself the judgment under which everyone stands convicted. God raised him from the dead, vindicating him as Messiah and Lord. The victim of sin became victor, and won the victory over sin and death for all.

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

\*THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts.

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*PRAYER AFTER THE OFFERING

\*HYMN 726 Will You Come and Follow Me

THE SENDING

\*BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION

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

\*Rise in body or spirit.

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Leading in worship today:

Guest Pastor: Rev. Tempe Fussell Music Director: Kathy Wiggins

Guest Musician: Katherine Whitehouse Elder of the Month: Lisa Monnat

# **Announcements**

**WELCOME VISITORS!** If you are worshiping here for the first time today, Welcome! We are glad to have you join in our worship service.

**SUNDAY SERVICE:** Sunday service is at 11:00 am in the Sanctuary. It is also on Facebook Live Stream.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR YOUTH AND TEENS:** Middle and High School youth are invited to a conversation about scripture beginning in the youth room at 10:00.

**NURSERY:** There will not be a Nursery this Sunday. Activity bags are available in the narthex.

**POTLUCK AND PRESENTATION:** Wednesday, May 8th at 6:00 p.m. will be a Potluck in the Fellowship Hall with a presentation by Susan Maveety about the Guatemala Microloan Project.

**CHURCH PICNIC:** The Church Picnic Potluck will be held on Wednesday, July 17th at 6:00 p.m. at the Morgan Pavilion.

**DAY RETREAT:** Saturday, August 24th will be a Day Retreat at Cheoah Point in Robbinsville. You can arrive around 10:00 a.m. or earlier. Everyone can swim, kayak, etc before and after lunch. Hamburgers, hot dogs, paper products, and condiments will be provided. Please bring a side dish. Invite your friends to join us. Please let us know the number of people in your party so we can order food for everyone.

**ADDRESS FOR PASTOR BETH:** The address for Pastor Beth is 285 Montford Ave., Asheville, NC 28801

#### **CHURCH ACTIVITIES:**

**Communion** - Every first Sunday of the month.

Choir Practice - Every Sunday at 9:45 a.m. Anyone is welcome, Please join us! **Back Porch Bible Study** - Sundays from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. at the home of Martha Rich. For more information call Martha at 770-851-6852.

**Bible Study:** Every Wednesday at 11:00 am in the Hut.

**Session Meeting -** April 21st after worship service.

**Women's Breakfast** - Every Thursday at 8:00 a.m. at Mountain Perks except for the second Thursday of each month when the location will be decided on.

Men's Breakfast - Every Thursday at 8:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**Daily Change Offering -** Every second Sunday of each month.

**Presbyterian Women** - The second Tuesday of every month at 1:00 p.m. You can come early, bring your lunch and have fellowship.

**Coffee & Fellowship** - Every first Sunday after worship service.

**Food Pantry** - Every Monday 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. and every Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon.

**Giving Spoon** - Every Monday 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. and every Thursday 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**AA Meetings** - Monday at noon, Tuesday 5:30 p.m., Thursday at noon, Friday at 6:30 p.m., and Saturday at 7:00 p.m.

**Al-Anon Meetings**- Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.





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**BCPC Elders:** Patty Ambrosino (Church Grounds), Sammi Birchfield (Discipleship & Community Outreach), Mark Brannon (Chair), Bill Helwig (Worship Committee), Bob Jordan (Building & Grounds), Dan Manley (Building & Grounds), Lisa Monnat (Personnel), Martha Rich (Congregational Life), Carol Sussman (Finance)

#### **BCPC Staff:**

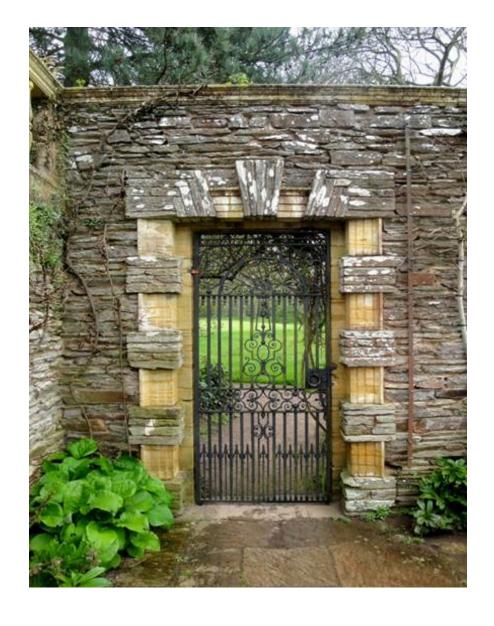
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# Mission Statement of Bryson City Presbyterian Church We seek to follow Jesus Christ as we...

Engage and encourage one another in worship and fellowship

Learn together as we grow in discipleship and

Reach out in love.