

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 18, 2024

THE GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 34: 1,3

Leader: I will bless the Lord at all times;
People: God's praise shall continually be in my mouth.
Leader: O magnify the Lord with me,
People: And let us exalt God's name together.
All: Let us worship God!

*HYMN 620 *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Silent Prayer

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.
People: And also with you.

*Gloria 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 Blessing of the Backpack

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Proverbs 9:1-6

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*HYMN 175 *Seek Ye First*

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON *A Rule for Living* Rev. Beth Newman

OUR THANKFUL RESPONSE

CHORAL ANTHEM

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God, who is like a good mother or father, near to us, and strong to help us. We believe in Jesus Christ, in whom we see God: He is for us the way of truth and life. We believe in the Holy Spirit, whose life is in us, giving us new life and healing strength for our spirits. We believe our faith is a confident trust in the truth and goodness of God. We believe our hope is a power, to fill the present and future with deepest meaning. We believe our love is the means by which this faith will be made real in our lives. Glory be to God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. As it was in the beginning is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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 697 *Take My Life*

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:
Pastor: Rev. Beth Newman
Music Director: Kathy Wiggins
Guest Musician: Katherine Whitehouse
Elder of the Month: Carol Sussman

Announcements

WELCOME VISITORS! If you are worshipping 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.

ASHEVILLE TOURISTS BALL GAMES: Because of a scheduling issue, the date of the Tourist Ball Game has been changed from 30th to the 29th. The Newmans are inviting everyone attending to join them in their home at 285 Montford Avenue before the game for cupcakes to celebrate Audrey's birthday. Today is the last day to sign up - sign up sheet is in the narthex.

DAY RETREAT: There is a sign in sheet in the narthex. Please sign in and put the number of the people attending with you. 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.

VISITOR FROM MALAWI: On September 8th Agness Nayanda will join us for worship and a reception afterwards. This is an opportunity to learn more about the needs and concerns of the people served there.

POTLUCK and PRESENTATION: Wednesday, September 11th will be a potluck at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Kathy Wiggins will lead a Sing-a-Long.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

Communion - Every first Sunday of the month.

Choir Practice - Every Sunday at 9:45 am. 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 - August 18th 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.

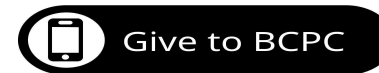
Coffee & Fellowship - Every first Sunday after worship service.

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.

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 Meeting- Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.



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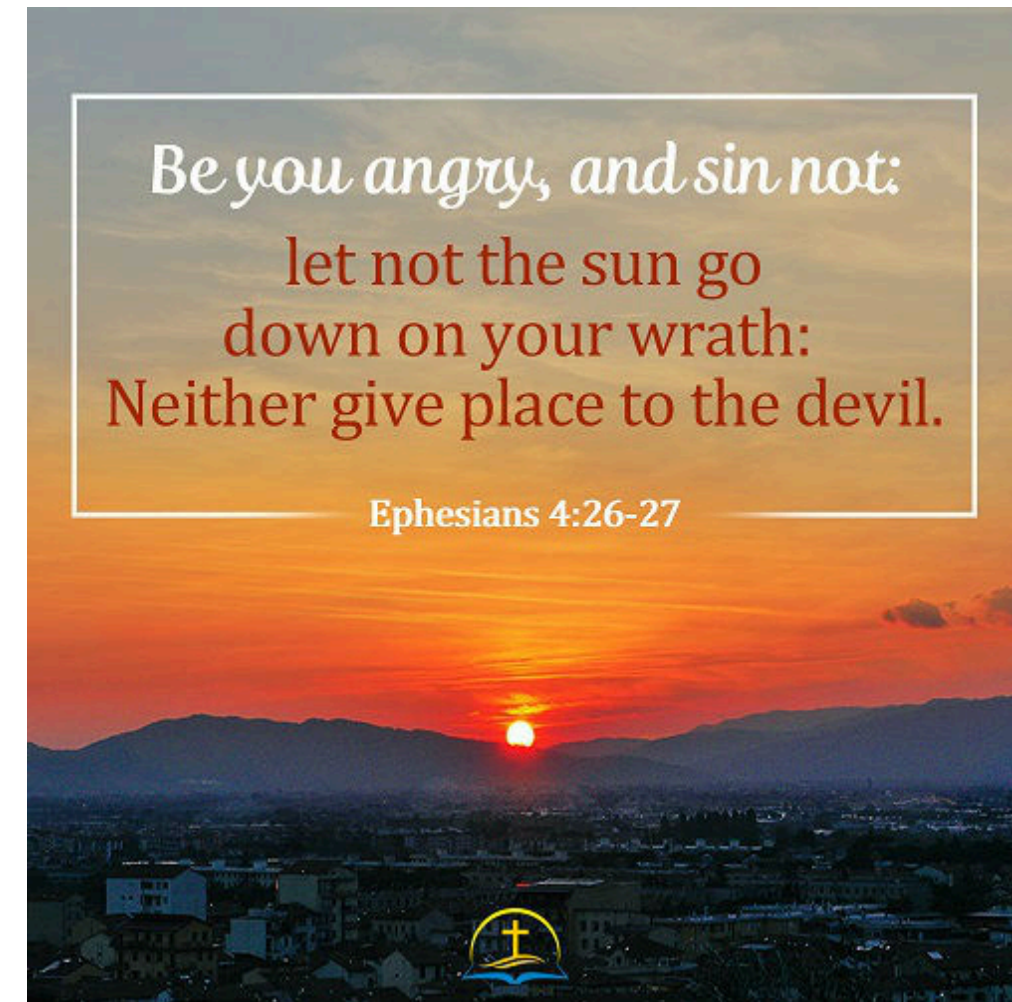
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Mission Statement of Bryson City Presbyterian Church

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.