

# Bryson City Presbyterian Church

August 23, 2020

**Prelude**      *I Sing Praises to Your Name*      Free Chapel  
Celtic Ensemble

## Welcome

**Call to Worship**      From Psalm 138

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the  
gods I sing your praise.

I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your  
name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness;

For you have exalted your name and your word above  
everything.

On the day I called, you answered me, you increased my  
strength of soul.

All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord, for they  
have heard the words of your mouth.

They shall sing of the ways of the Lord, for great is the glory  
of the Lord.

For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly; but the  
haughty he perceives from far away.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me against  
the wrath of my enemies; you stretch out your hand, and  
your right hand delivers me.

The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O  
Lord, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your  
hands.

**Musical Call to Worship**      arr. Helvey  
*All Creatures of Our God and King*

## Opening Prayer

Faithful God, we come into Your presence with thanksgiving,  
deeply grateful for the unfailing love and faithfulness You have  
shown toward us, Your people. When we call out to You, You  
answer. When we are exhausted, You give us the strength to  
go on. When we find ourselves in trouble, You are there,

standing beside us. And so we come before You with gratitude  
and praise, offering You the worship of our hearts and lives.  
Open our eyes to see and know You here among us; open our  
ears to recognize Your voice. And then send us out from here,  
to live and work in the world as Your faithful disciples. In the  
name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

**Scripture**      Romans 12: 1-8

**Musical Meditation**      *We Are One In The Spirit*      arr. Nelson

**Sermon**      *Your Spiritual Worship*      Rev. Beth  
Newman

## Sharing of Joys and Concerns

## Pastoral 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.

## Sending

## Choral Benediction

May the love of God go with you from this place.

May your hours and days show forth His praise.

**Postlude**      *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*      arr. Larson

## Leading worship today:

**Pastor-Beth Newman; Minister of Music-Rachel Lackey;  
Celtic Ensemble-Drew Campbell**

## Elder of the Month-Dawn Letterman

### The Mission 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.

Please remember our church during this difficult time.

Donations can be made online at

[www.paypal.me/lovebcpc](http://www.paypal.me/lovebcpc)

There are also links on our Facebook page and website.

If you're more comfortable mailing a check, please mail it to BCPC, PO Box 549, Bryson City, NC 28713

Thank you for helping to keep our church running so vital programs (Giving Spoon, Manna Pop Up Market, the Food Pantry & AA) can continue helping others.

#### YTD Financials

Unrestricted Giving	\$92,642
Expenses	\$86,759
Excess/Deficit	\$ 8,759

Please call the church office at 828-488-2480 and leave a message if a need arises. Please check our Facebook page and website for more information.

#### BCPC Elders

Mark Brannon, Collin Caldwell, Drew Campbell, Becky Claxton, Kyle Colley, Cathy Evans, Dawn Letterman, Carol Sussman

#### BCPC Staff

Transitional Pastor – Rev. Beth Newman;  
Minister of Music & Adm. Assistant – Rev. Rachel Lackey;  
Nursery – Josie Parker;  
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