

Bryson City Presbyterian Church
January 2, 2022
Epiphany

Welcome

Prelude *Jesus, Jesus Rest Your Head* arr. Kaiser

Call to Worship

Leader: O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done.
People: The Magi who study the heavens follow a guiding star!
Leader: O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done.
People: **The people who live in the shadows see a glorious light!**
Leader: O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things God has done.
People: The Christ who embodies the Word unveils the hidden plan, making us joint heirs of the promise of salvation through the gospel!
All: O come, let us worship the Lord, for God has done wondrous things!

Prayer of the Day

Prayer of Confession

God of darkness and of light, we see the glimmer of your light beckoning to us, but we turn away and follow other paths. We confess that we have not loved you with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our mind, and with all our strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us, Holy One. Strengthen our faltering steps and guide us in your holy way of peace. Amen.

Time for the Child in Us All

First Scripture Reading Isaiah 60: 1-6

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

Second Scripture Reading Matthew 2: 1-12

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

Star Word Reflections Rev. Beth Newman

Musical Meditation *We Three Kings* arr. Shackley

The Lord's Supper

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

Breaking of Bread

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion

Offertory *Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow* arr. Hayes

Offertory Prayer

*Hymn 133 *O Come, All Ye Faithful* ADESTE FIDELES

*Sending

*Choral Benediction

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

*Postlude *While by My Sheep* arr. Young

*Please stand if able

Leading in worship today: Rev. Beth Newman, Transitional Pastor; Rev. Rachel Lackey, Minister of Music; Kyle Colley, Elder of the Month

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.*

Announcements

The next Manna Community Market will be held on Wednesday, January 5 at 10:00 a.m. in the parking lot of First Baptist Church. If you can volunteer to help, please contact Dan Manley at 828-347-2093.

Weekly Bible Study will resume on Wednesday, January 5 at 11:00 a.m.

Contribution statements for 2021 will be mailed out this week. Please call the church office at 828-488-2480 if you have any questions or need additional information.

YTD Financials

Unrestricted Giving	\$ 132,421
Operating Expenses	\$ 114,371
Operating Excess/Deficit	\$ 18,050
Manse Renovation Expense	\$ 21,814
Excess/Deficit	\$ (3,764)

BCPC Elders

Mark Brannon, Collin Caldwell, Drew Campbell, Kyle Colley, Cathy Evans,
Dawn Letterman, Joan Parks, Carol Sussman

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