

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

July 6, 2025

THE GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted From Psalm 30

Leader:

Sing praises to the Lord, O you faithful ones, and give thanks to God’s holy name.

People:

Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me! O Lord, be my helper!

Leader:

You have turned mourning into dancing, and clothed us with joy.

People:

So that my soul may praise you and not be silent. O Lord, my God. I will give thanks to you forever.

All:

Let us worship God!

*HYMN 620

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of perfect love, you continually bring forth life, transforming sadness to joy, and despair to hope. We are weak, but you are strong. Our ways are flawed, but your ways are true. We are seldom right, but you are never wrong. Forgive us, redeem us, transform us. Take away the sin that burdens us, and restore us to the people you would have us be, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. 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

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Leader:

This is the Word of the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Leader:

This is the Word of the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

What Does it Mean to Believe?

Rev. Beth Newman

OUR THANKFUL RESPONSE

CHORAL ANTHEM

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A Scriptural Affirmation

This is the good news, which we have received, in which we stand and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day; and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and then to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus is the first and the last, the beginning and the end, he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

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.

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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY 609

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*PRAYER AFTER THE OFFERING

*HYMN 700

I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use 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.

*POSTLUDE

*Rise in body or spirit

Leading in worship today:

Pastor: Rev. Beth Newman

Music Director: Kathy Wiggins

Elder of the Month: Dan Manley

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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 MORNING CLASS: Pastor Beth leads a class on Sunday mornings in the Hut from 9:45 - 10:30 a.m. This class is discussion-based and open to any adult or teen who would like to come. There will not be a class July 13th -27th.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: Wednesday Bible Study is cancelled for the month of July.

COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP - Coffee and fellowship will be in the Fellowship Hall after worship service today.

CHURCH PICNIC: The annual Church Potluck Picnic will be July 9th at 6:00 p.m. at the Morgan Pavilion at Deep Creek.

FLOWERS FOR THE SANCTUARY: There is a Flower Chart in the narthex. If you would like to bring flowers for our Sanctuary, please write the date, your name, and telephone number under the month.

SIGN-UP SHEETS FOR ASHEVILLE TOURISTS GAMES - There are sign up sheets in the narthex for the next two baseball games. The dates are July 25th and August 29th. There is a separate sheet for each date. The cost per ticket is \$12.50.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

Communion - Every first Sunday of the month.

Choir Practice - Every Sunday at 9:45 am. Anyone is welcome, Please join us!

Sunday Morning Class - There will be a class every Sunday morning in the Hut from 9:45 to 10:30 a.m.

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 Parlor.

Session Meeting - The third Tuesday of every month at 5:30 p.m.

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.

Welcome Wednesdays - The Food Pantry distributes every other Wednesday at the Church for anyone who wishes to pick up food.

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. Also, in the Fellowship Hall the last Tuesday of each month from 4:30 to 7:00 pm.

Al-Anon Meeting- Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.

“Feed My Sheep” - Food and Worship in the Fellowship Hall every Thursday from 3:00 to 6:30 pm.



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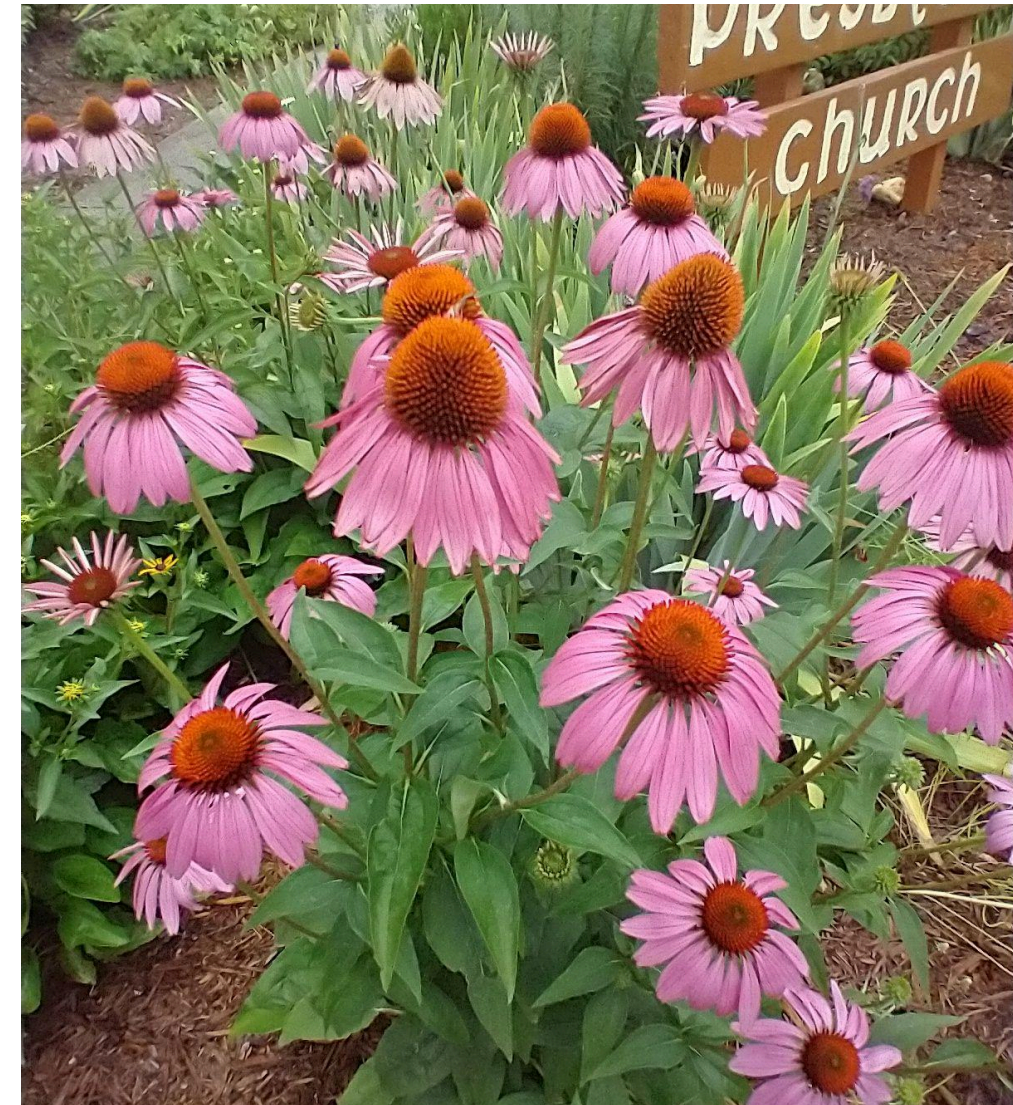
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Mission Statement of Bryson City Presbyterian Church

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.