

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

June 22, 2025

THE GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIPInspired by Psalms 42 and 43

Leader: Come, all you whose souls thirst for the living God.
People: We come in search of help and hope.
Leader: Come, you who are acquainted with grief or oppression.
People: We come bearing our doubts, our wounds, and our fears.
Leader: Come, you who are in need of good news.
People: We come in search of joy, truth, and light.
Leader: Come and find refuge in God your rock.
People: Let us again praise the One who is our help and our hope.
All: Let us worship God!

*HYMN 65Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy One, God Most High, grant us faith to confess our sins and seek your mercy. There are barren places in our lives where we have wandered from you. We have listened to voices who distracted us from your call. We have submitted to powers competing for our loyalty to you. We have not taken the hand you offer to lead us out of our forsakenness, and into your holy ways. Forgive us. Speak tenderly to us of your presence. Feed us with your word. Deliver us from evil. Let us enter into your kingdom, then send us out to serve you by the power of the Holy Spirit, in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. 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 READINGPsalm 42 and 43

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

*HYMN 792There Is a Balm in Gilead

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING1 Kings 19: 1-15

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

SERMONOut of the CaveRev. Beth Newman

OUR THANKFUL RESPONSE

CHORAL ANTHEM

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITHA Scriptural Affirmation from Romans

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. We are convinced that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. 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 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 438Rock of Ages, Cleft for 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:
Pastor: Rev. Beth Newman
Music Director: Kathy Wiggins
Elder of the Month: Sammi Birchfield

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.

ASHEVILLE TOURISTS: The next Asheville Tourists Games are July 25th and August 29th. Sign up sheets are in the narthex. The cost for each ticket is \$12.50. If you signed up for the June 27th game you can pick up your tickets in the Church Office.

FLOWER CHART: There is a Flower Chart in the narthex, on the left as you enter the main door. If you would like to bring flowers for our Sanctuary, write your name and telephone number under the month and date. If you would like to donate them in honor or memory of someone please drop a note in the offering plate.

THE FLOWERS TODAY: The flowers today are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Rachel Lackey by her husband Jim Strickland.

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 Parlor.

Session Meeting - Every third Tuesday 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 - Manna distributes every other Wednesday at the Church Food Pantry 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.

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



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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.