

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

June 29, 2025

THE GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God, who rules the universe, calls us;  
People: Christ, who took up his cross, calls us;  
Leader: The Holy Spirit, who frees us body and soul, calls us.  
People: Let us faithfully answer  
Leader: By worshipping the triune God.  
All: Let us worship God!

\*HYMN 738O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, Holy Trinity, help us to confess our sins. You give us a place in your creation, and you intended that we live in love with all that you have made. We confess that we abuse what you give us. By our thoughts, actions, and the meditations of our hearts we show how enslaved we are to life made corrupt by sin. Far from walking in the Spirit, we stumble on paths that lead to death. O Fire of heaven, have mercy on us. Satisfy the longings of our souls by taking us up into your Spirit that we may love our neighbor. Rekindle our desire to follow our Savior, Jesus Christ, whose passion for obeying you leads us to our inheritance, which is your promised kingdom. To you and the Son and the Spirit, one God, be all worship and praise, now and forever. 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 77: 1-2, 11-20  
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God.

\*HYMN 623I’ve Got Peace Like a River

SECOND SCRIPTURE READINGGalatians 5:1, 13-25

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

SERMONFreedom For . . .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 thrust in the truth and goodness of God. We believe our hope is a power, to fill the present and the future with meaning. We believe our love is the means by which the 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 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 203Jesu, Jesu

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.*

*Music and streaming copyright through CCI*

Leading in worship today:  
Pastor: Rev. Beth Newman  
Music Director: Kathy Wiggins  
Elder of the Month: Sammi Birchfield

## Announcements

**WELCOME VISITORS!** If you are worshiping 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.

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

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

**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.

**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.

### 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** - Canceled for July, next meeting Tuesday, August 12th 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. 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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**BCPC Elders:** Patty Ambrosino (Church Grounds), Sammi Birchfield (Discipleship & Community Outreach), Randy Bumgarner (Building & Grounds), Bill Helwig (Worship Committee), Bob Jordan (Building & Grounds), Dan Manley (Clerk), Lisa Monnat (Personnel), Martha Rich (Congregational Life), Carol Sussman (Finance)

### BCPC Staff:

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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.*