

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

September 27, 2026

THE GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP Adapted from Psalm 25

Leader: To you, O Lord, we lift up our souls. In you we trust; do not let us be put to shame.
People: We put our hope in you all day long.
Leader: Show us your ways, O Lord, and teach us your paths. Guide us in your truth and teach us.
People: For you are the God of our salvation; we wait for you.
Leader: Remember your compassion and your steadfast love, which have been from of old.
People: Good and upright is the Lord; let us worship and praise God’s holy name together.
All: Let us worship God!

*HYMN 415 Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy RESTORATION

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we confess to you: We are not of the same mind. We do not share the same love. We act in selfish ambition and do not regard others as better than ourselves. We have not looked to the interests of others instead of ourselves. We do not embrace the humility of Jesus Christ. Forgive us. Continue to be at work in us, that we might serve each other as you served us, and reflect your glory in this world. 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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 25:1-9

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

*HYMN 707 Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord HALL

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. Philippians 2:1-13
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON Inconceivable Rev. Beth Newman

OUR THANKFUL RESPONSE

CHORAL ANTHEM

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH From Philippians

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is 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 702 Christ Be Beside Me BUNESSAN

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: Bob Jordan

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 and YouTube 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 will be at 11:00 a.m. in the Parlor.

WORLD COMMUNION OFFERING: There are donation envelopes in this bulletin for the World Communion Offering.

EIGHTH DAY OF CREATION: The Eighth Day of Creation Art Display is currently in the Fellowship Hall through October 14th.

POTLUCK AND CLOSURE OF ART DISPLAY: Wednesday, October 14th at 6:00 p.m. there will be a potluck meal in the Fellowship Hall.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS: There will be a Blessing of the Animals Saturday, October 17th from 10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. in the backyard of the Bryson City United Methodist Church.

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 - Session meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 5:30 p.m.

Women's Breakfast - Every Thursday at 8:00 a.m. at Everett Street Diner 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. at The Tuck & Table.

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.

Manna Market 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 at 5:30 p.m. and the last Tuesday of each month in the Fellowship Hall from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m., Thursday at noon, Friday at 6:30 p.m., and Saturday at 7:00 p.m in the Fellowship Hall.



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BCPC Elders: Patty Ambrosino (Church Grounds), Collin Caldwell (Clerk), Merle Carroll (Building & Grounds), Bill Helwig (Worship Committee), Bob Jordan (Building & Grounds), Lisa Monnat (Personnel), Melanie Lambert & Diana Ranson (Congregational Life)
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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.