

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 10, 2024

THE GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God does not see as mortals see. We look on the outward appearance; God looks on the heart.

People: **Jesus, Light of the World, give us eyes to see as you see!**

Leader: Once we lived in darkness but now- as children of light, we are called to what is good and right and true.

People: **Jesus, Light of the World, give us eyes to see as you see!**

All: **Let us worship God!**

*HYMN 377 *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we are people who still love darkness rather than light. We see ourselves as blameless, but pass judgment on others. We do not stand firmly enough with those who are vulnerable, but step back, protecting ourselves. Forgive us, we pray. Bring us into your light that we may see ourselves rightly. Bring us into your light that we may know ourselves loved. Bring us into your light that we may live more fruitful lives. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, the light of the 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.**

*RESPONSE CHORUS

*Oh how He loves you and me,
Oh how He loves you and me.
He gave His life, what more could He give?
Oh how He love you; Oh how He loves me;
Oh how He loves you and me.*

THE WORD

TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL

Daily Change Offering

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 25: 4-10

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 14: 3-9

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

The Women

Rev. Margie Stansell

OUR THANKFUL RESPONSE

CHORAL ANTHEM

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Brief Statement of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world.

God raised Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to eternal life.

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERN

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

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts.

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER AFTER THE OFFERING

*HYMN 547

Go, My Children, with my Blessing

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:

Interim Pastor: Rev. Margie Boyd Stansell

Music Director: Kathy Wiggins

Guest Musician: Katherine Whitehouse

Elder of the Month: Bill Helwig

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 SCHOOL FOR YOUTH AND TEENS: Middle and High School youth are invited to a conversation about scripture beginning in the youth room at 10:00.

NURSERY: There will not be a Nursery this Sunday. Activity bags are available in the narthex.

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS: The Lenten Devotional Booklets are available in the narthex. Please let the office know if you need a copy.

EASTER LILIES: Easter Lily Forms are included in this bulletin. You can purchase an Easter Lily in memory or in honor of someone. They will be used to decorate the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday. Please turn in your order before Sunday, March 24th.

BIBLICAL POTLUCK: The Biblical Potluck will be Wednesday, March 13th at 6:00 p.m. Recipes are available in the narthex, please write the name of the one you select to bring.

EASTER BREAKFAST AND EGG HUNT: Easter Breakfast will be Sunday, March 31st at 9:00 a.m. followed by the annual Easter Egg Hunt with Easter Service at 11:00 a.m.

DAY RETREAT: Saturday, August 24th will be a Day Retreat at Cheoah Point in Robbinsville. You can arrive around 10:00 a.m. or earlier. Everyone can swim, kayak, etc before and after lunch. Hamburgers, hot dogs, paper products, and condiments will be provided. Please bring a side dish. Invite your friends to join us. Please let us know the number of people in your party so we can order food for everyone.

ADDRESS FOR PASTOR BETH: The address for Pastor Beth is 3904 Ashford Trail NE, Brookhaven, GA 30319-1897 or % Ann Council, 3956 Granger Drive, Atlanta, GA 30341. She will give health updates on the Caring Bridge site.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

Communion - Every first Sunday of the month.

Choir Practice - Every Sunday at 9:45 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 Hut.

Session Meeting - The next Session Meeting will be March 10th after worship service.

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.

Giving Spoon - Every Monday 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. and every Thursday 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

AA Meetings - Monday at noon, Tuesday 5:30 p.m., Thursday at noon, and Saturday at 7:00 p.m.



Maundy Thursday Service

March 28th at 6:00 p.m.

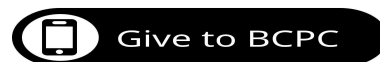
Community Potluck & Worship

12:00 noon Monday the 25th and Friday the 29th at the First Baptist Church - paper goods and drinks provided

Easter Sunday at BCPC

Sunday the 31st breakfast at 9:00 followed by Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Worship at 11:00 a.m.



This is a QR Code and can be scanned by your phone's camera. If your phone does not have this capacity, you can download an app. This code is linked to the church's Paypal account.

BCPC Elders: Patty Ambrosino (Church Grounds), Sammi Birchfield (Discipleship & Community Outreach), Mark Brannon (Chair), Bill Helwig (Worship Committee), Bob Jordan (Building & Grounds), Dan Manley (Building & Grounds), Lisa Monnat (Personnel), Martha Rich (Congregational Life), Carol Sussman (Finance)

BCPC Staff:

Pastor: Rev. Beth Newman

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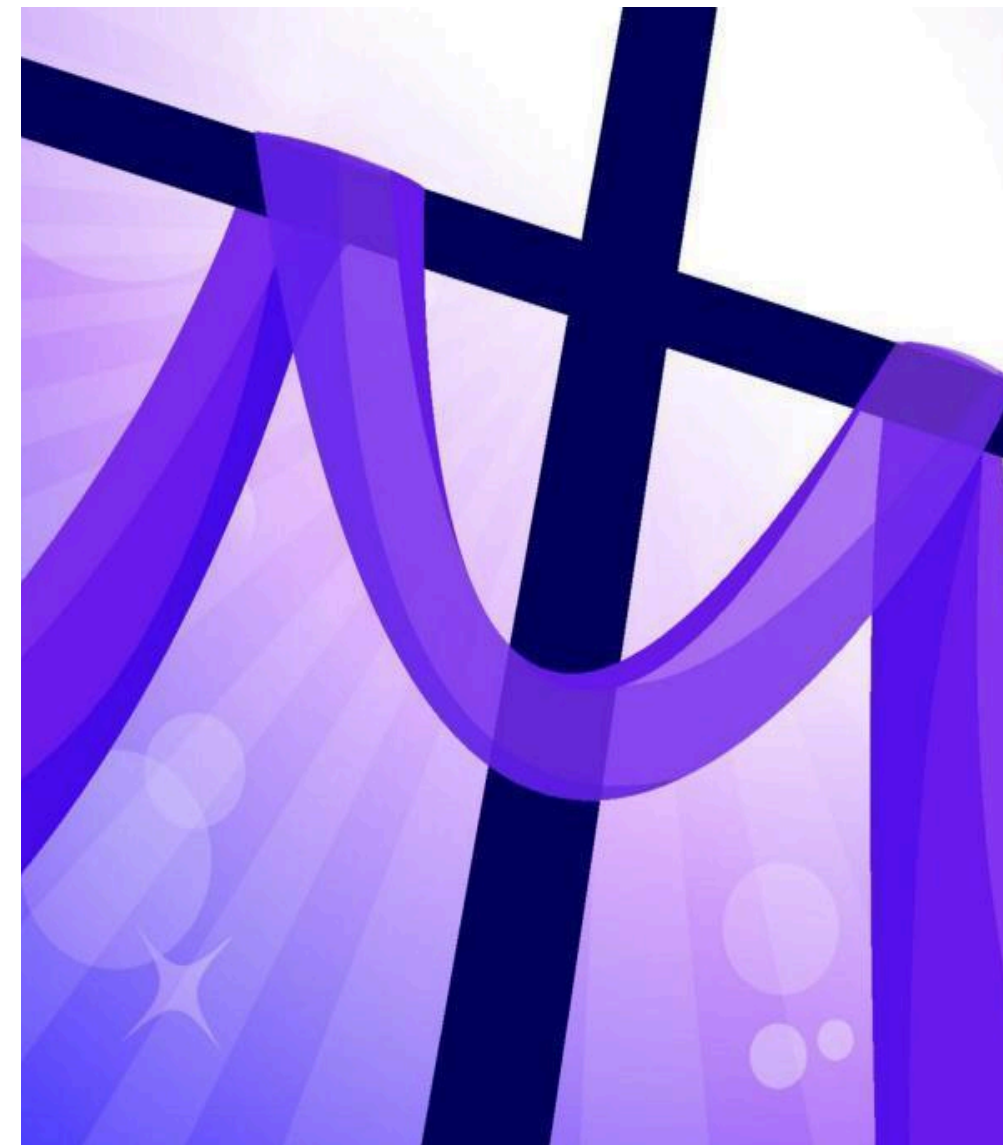
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Mission Statement of Bryson City Presbyterian Church

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.