

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

November 5, 2023

THE GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We have come to affirm our historic faith.

People: **To worship the God of our mothers and fathers.**

Leader: We have come to remember God's benefits to us the living.

People: **To respond in thanksgiving to the mighty works of God in our lives.**

All: **Let us worship God!**

*HYMN 460 *Break Thou the Bread of Life* LATHBURY/SHERWIN

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, Creator of all that is, hear our prayer. There are chasms in our lives, deep valleys that separate us from one another. We confess that we have allowed those rifts to grow for fear of admitting our part in the separation, for fear of being rejected when we reach out. You call us to a reconciled life, to healed relationships, to a whole with each other and with You. Mend us, we pray, and make us new creations. Through the power and love of Christ we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The Holy One shows us a vision of a new heaven and a new earth, where everyone will live in peace and blessing. Trusting in God's promise to wipe away all our tears, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

*GLORIA PATRI 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. (Sing 3 times)
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

THE WORD

TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Deuteronomy 16: 17

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 6: 19-21

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon *Holy Treasure* Rev. Margie Stansell

OUR THANKFUL RESPONSE

CHORAL ANTHEM *In the Sweet By and By*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Henri Nowen

Listen to what God is saying to us: You are my child. You are written in the palms of my hand. You are hidden in the shadow of my hand. I have molded you in the secret of the earth. I have knitted you together in your mother's womb. You belong to me, I am yours. You are mine. I have called you from eternity and you are the one who is held safe and embraced in love from eternity to eternity. You belong to me. And I am holding you safe and I want you to know that whatever happens to you, I am always there. I was always there; I am always there; I will always be there and hold you in my embrace. You are mine. You are my child. You belong to my home. I will never let you go. I will be faithful to you.

* A LITANY OF REMEMBRANCE

Leader: We give thanks, O God, for all who have fought the good fight, finished their race, and kept the faith.

People: **And those dear to us who are now at rest with you:**

Christina Hudson 11/15/2022, William Colley 03/07/2023, Rachel Lackey 05/21/2023, Diane Goshorn 06/26/2023, Emil Beck 7/05/23, Jean Douthit 10/22/2023

Leader: We know, O God, that in life and death, we belong to you. And so as we remember those whom we have lost,

we give thanks that the love we shared with them, the love we felt for them lives on.

People: **Grant us grace to follow them as they followed Christ. Bring us, with them, to those things which no eye has seen, nor ear heard, which you have prepared for those who love you. 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.**

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

We have participated in the bread of life and the cup of salvation. We have shared the tangible evidence of your love with each other. Now we will offer ourselves to you for service. We will not offer you offerings that cost us nothing. We are committed. Lord, and we ask you to use us as you will in the church, and in the world.

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 326

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE

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. Margie Stansell

Musicians: Frela Beck and Ann Yaun

Elder of the Month: Kyle Colley

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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 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: Young children are invited to go to the nursery after the children's sermon. Activity bags are available in the narthex.

COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP: Join us in the Fellowship Hall after worship service today for coffee and fellowship.

BIRTHDAY POTLUCK: Wednesday, November 15th will be a Birthday Potluck at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This will be a Soup and Sides Potluck.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: There will be a Congregational Meeting after worship service Sunday, November 12th to elect new Elders. The names submitted are Bill Helwig, Patty Ambrosino, and Lisa Monnat.

STEWARDSHIP: Informational mailings are going out to all members. Pledge Sunday will be November 19th.

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.

Session Meeting - Session Meeting every fourth Sunday after worship.

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.

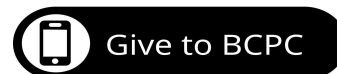
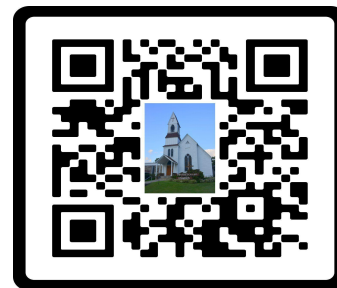
Presbyterian Women - The second Tuesday of every month at 1:00 p.m. You can come early, bring your lunch and have fellowship.

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.



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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.