

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 29, 2023

## THE GATHERING

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Come and Find the Quiet Center* Murray

\*CALL TO WORSHIP From Psalm 15

Leader: O Lord, who may abide in your tent.

**People: Who may dwell on your holy hill?**

Leader: Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right,  
And speak the truth from their heart.

**People: Those who do these things shall never be moved.**

**All: Let us worship God.**

\*HYMN 1 *Holy, Holy, Holy* NICAEA

### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**You have told us what is good, O God. Your hopes for us are clear. And yet we live as though it is unclear what you would have us do. We live as though we are not the recipients of grace upon grace. We have withheld what is not our own. We have judged where it was not our place. We have sinned by what we have done and what we have failed to do. We seek your forgiveness and your reconciliation and strength that we may follow in the way you would have us go. Cleanse us and guide us. We make this and all our prayers in reliance upon our faithful savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*Time for silent confession*

### \*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

### 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.*

## THE WORD

### TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL

### FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 15

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 2: Selected Verses

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON *Welcome Home* Rev. Margie Stansell

## OUR THANKFUL RESPONSE

### MUSICAL MEDITATION *For the Beauty of the Earth* KOCHER

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH A Scriptural Affirmation

**We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; and we know that in everything God works for good with those who love him, who are called according to purpose. We are sure that neither death, nor life, nor angles, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers nor height, nor deputy, 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 *How Great Thou Art* Folk Melody

### \*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 697 *Take My Life and Let It Be* HENDON

## 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:

**Guest Pastor:** Rev. Margie Stansell

**Elder of the Month:** Collin Caldwell

**Musicians:** Frela Beck, Drew Campbell, George Evans

## 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 SCHOOL FOR YOUTH AND TEENS:** Middle and High School Sunday School with Amanda Caldwell leading discussion-based classes with videos from the Bible Project.

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

**GUEST PASTOR:** Margie Stansell is the guest pastor today. She is a retired PCUSA minister who has spent her career in various churches in NC, both in Associate and Solo roles. She lives in Black Mountain with her husband Skip, and spends a lot of time volunteering at Black Mountain Presbyterian, as well as the Asheville Habitat Restore and local food distribution programs. Hiking, biking, gardening, travel, and time with family (especially grandchildren) are making for a great life after work!

**STUFFED ANIMAL COLLECTION:** We are collecting new, gently used, and handmade small (about the size of your hand) stuffed animals to send with Ann Edison to Malawi when she travels there next month to be with Frank. There is an orphanage near the hospital where he is working, and she will be giving them to the children. A basket will be under the table in the narthex for donations.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY:** The updated Church Directory is now available. There are some in the narthex, others will be available in the church office.

**SUPER BOWL PARTY:** Everyone is invited to watch and join the fun for Super Bowl 2023. The game will be shown in the Fellowship Hall Sunday, February 12th starting at 6:00 p.m. Bring a snack, a side dish, or a dessert and we will provide dinner and other fun activities.

### CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

**Communion** - Every first Sunday of the month.

**Choir Practice** - Every Sunday at 9:45 a.m.

**Bible Study** - Every Wednesday at 11:00 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** - The fourth Sunday of every month 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.

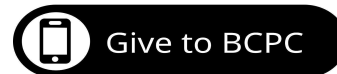
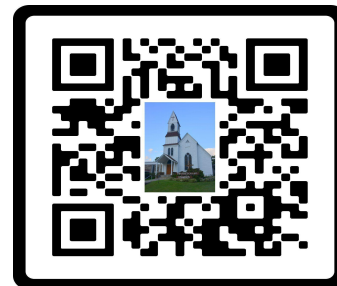
**Crafting with Jackie** - Every first and third Wednesday of the month from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**Manna Express** - Fourth Friday of every month in the First Baptist Church parking lot from 10:00 a.m. until 12 noon.

**Food Pantry** - Every Tuesday 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. and every Friday 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.*