

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 14, 2022

## THE GATHERING

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *The God of Abraham Praise* arr. Page

\*CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 80

Leader: Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, stir up your might and come to save us!

**People: Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine, that we might be saved.**

Leader: Then we will never turn back from you; give us life, and we will call on your name.

**People: Restore us, O Lord of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved.**

**All: Let us worship God!**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE 12 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* ST. DENIO

### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Have mercy upon us, O God, for sin clings so closely and its burden is great. Because of sin our hands are at our sides when they should reach out to others. Our knees are shaky when we should be standing firm. We are victims of our own misdeeds; we cannot escape sin's weight on our lives. Through Christ's intercession lift the burden from us, and help us to walk in freedom and in strength.**

### \*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

### \*GLORIA PATRI 582

## THE WORD

TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL Daily Change Offering (Formally 5 cents a meal)

## FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 23: 23-29

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 12: 49-56

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

*Strange Fire*

Rev. Beth Newman

## CHORAL ANTHEM

*Deep River*

arr. Spevacek

## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A Scriptural Affirmation from Colossians

**Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. In him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All were created through him. He is before all else that is. In him everything continues in being. It is he who is head of the body, the church! He who is the beginning, the firstborn of the dead, so that he might be first in everything. It so pleased God to make absolute fulness reside in him, and by means of him, to reconcile everything in his person, both on earth and in the heavens, making peace through the blood of the cross.**

## 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.**

## GIVING THANKS

## INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

MUSIC FOR THE OFFERING

*Ancient Words*

arr. Shackley

\*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 757

*Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples*

KINGSFOLD

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

*Gothic Fanfare*

Groom

*\*Rise in body or spirit.*

*Prayer of Confession from When We Gather by James K. Kirk*

Leading in worship today: Rev. Beth Newman, Transitional Pastor; Rev. Rachel Lackey, Minister of Music; Cathy Evans, Elder of the Month

**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***

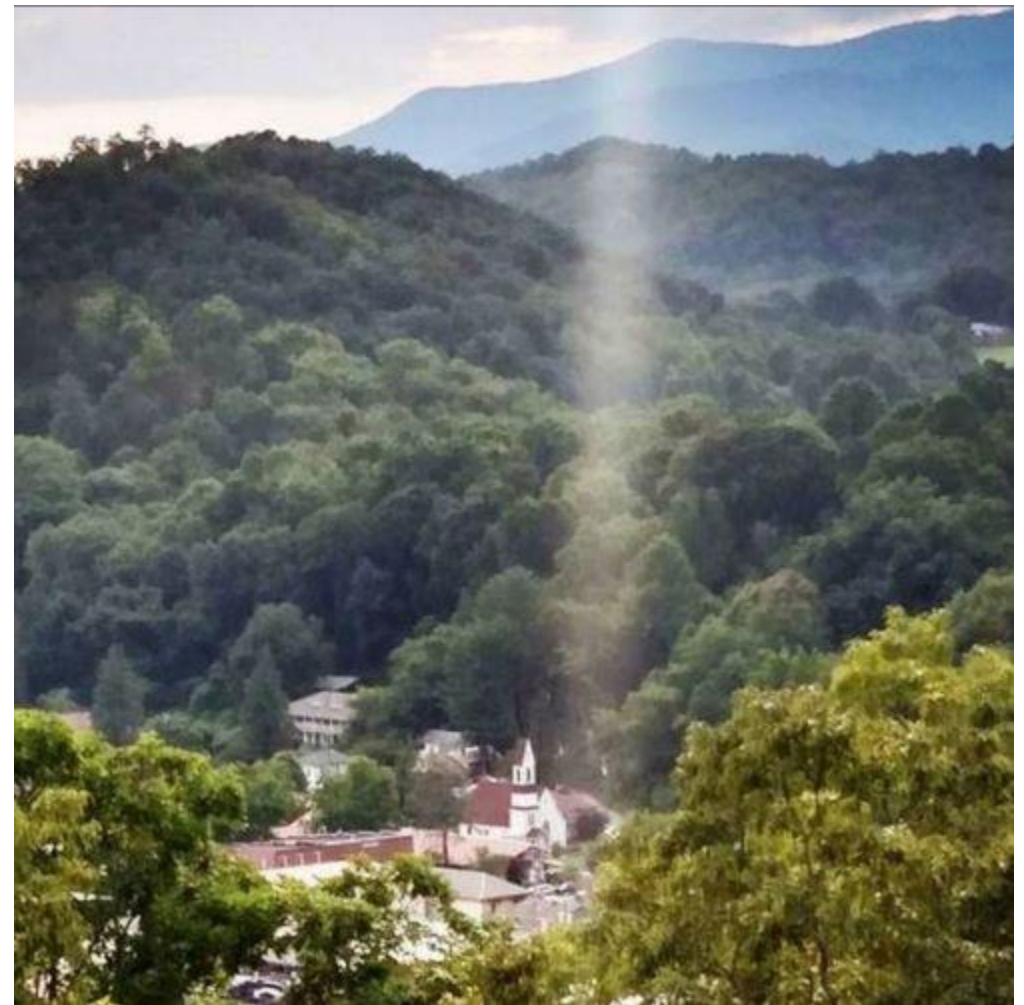
***Reach out in love.***

YTD Financials

Unrestricted Giving	\$85,305
Operating Expenses	\$79,186
Operating Excess/Deficit	\$ 6,119
Manse Donations	6,000
Manse Renovation Expense	\$17,418
Excess/Deficit	\$(5,299)

**BCPC Elders:** Mark Brannon, Collin Caldwell, Drew Campbell, Kyle Colley, Cathy Evans, Dawn Letterman, Carol Sussman, Dan Manley, Bob Jordan

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