## **Bryson City Presbyterian Church** August 15, 2021

Welcome

Prelude Deep and Wide arr. Stokes

\*Call to Worship From Psalm 111

Leader: Come and praise God! In the company of God's people,

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: Great are the works of God, full of glory and majesty.

Leader: Our God is gracious and compassionate. Our God is merciful and forgiving. **People:** Leader: Our God is faithful and trustworthy.

Our God is just and good. **People:** 

So come, let us worship God together. Leader:

God's praise will last forever! All:

\*Prayer of the Day

**Prayer of Confession** 

O God, redeem us, for we stand in need of forgiveness. We squander your mercy when we abuse your creation. We slander our neighbor and seek not your peace. Deliver us from the burden of sin. Cleanse us from selfishness and purge us from vanity. Restore us through Christ and make us fit for your service. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Time for the Child in Us All

First Scripture Reading This is the Word of the Lord. Leader:

> Thanks be to God. **People:**

Psalm 111

Second Scripture Reading

This is the Word of the Lord. Leader:

People: Thanks be to God.

Rev. Beth Newman Sermon Be Strong in the Lord

Ephesians 6: 10-20

arr. Larson

Musical Meditation A Mighty Fortress Is Our God arr. Carlson

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

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.

arr. Johanek Offertory Joshua Fought the Battle of Jericho

Offertory Prayer

\*Sending

\*Choral Benediction

May the love of God go with you from this place. May your hours and days show forth His praise.

Postlude Standing on the Promises

\*Please stand if able.

The Prayer of Confession is adapted from *When We Gather* by James G. Kirk.

Leading in Worship today:

Rev. Beth Newman, Transitional Pastor; Rachel Lackey, Minister of Music; Drew Campbell, Elder; Hand Chime Choir

### Mission Statement of The 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

#### **Announcements**



We will have an elder ordination and installation service for Joan Parks on Sunday, August 22.

#### **YTD Financials**

Unrestricted Giving \$79,971 Expenses \$86,205 Excess/Deficit \$ (6,234)

The Session has decided that we will return to wearing masks for worship due to the Delta variant of COVID 19.

#### **BCPC Elders**

Mark Brannon, Collin Caldwell, Drew Campbell, Joan Parks, Kyle Colley, Cathy Evans, Dawn Letterman, Carol Sussman

#### BCPC Staff

Transitional Pastor – Rev. Beth Newman

Minister of Music & Adm. Assistant – Rev. Rachel Lackey

Custodian – Renee Mercer



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