Bryson City Presbyterian Church August 29, 2021

Welcome

Prelude Christians, We Have Met to Worship arr. Larson

*Call to Worship

In deep gratitude we come to worship God. Leader:

We recognize God as the source of all goodness. People:

Leader: All good gifts come from the Spirit of God:

Love, peace, joy, patience, kindness, gentleness are all of **People:**

God.

Leader: We come with grateful hearts, not for things, but for who God is.

We gather to show our gratitude in song and prayer. **People:**

All: Let us worship God!

From Flames of the Spirit by Ruth Duck

*Prayer of the Day

Prayer of Confession

Forgive us, O God, if we have taken the gifts of life for granted, without giving thanks, without sharing. Forgive us, Holy One, if we have refused to hear your voice within our hearts and through the prophets of our day. Help us to put our lives in order, so that we will be worthy to share the bounty of your realm though Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Time for the Child in Us All-Blessing of the Backpacks

First Scripture Reading James 1: 17-27

This is the Word of the Lord. Leader:

People: Thanks be to God. Second Scripture Reading

This is the Word of the Lord. Leader:

People: Thanks be to God.

Rev. Beth Newman Sermon

Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15

Seek Ye First Musical Meditation arr. Wilson

Honoring our Educators

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.

Offertory Will You Come and Follow Me arr. Robbins

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 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah arr. Larson

*Please stand if able.

Leading in Worship today: Rev. Beth Newman, Transitional Pastor; Rachel Lackey, Minister of Music; Drew Campbell, Elder of the Month

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

BCPC Directory Update

We are in the process of updating our church directory. Copies of the current directory are on the table at the entrance to the Fellowship Hall. Please check your information and make any necessary changes. You may also contact the Church Office at 488-2480.

Swain County United Gift Fund Kick Off Luncheon

Sunday, September 12-Take out only from 12:00-1:30 p.m.

Grilled Chicken Breast or Spinach Ricotta Crepes, Green Beans, Rice
Bread and Dessert prepared by Julia Hunt
Tickets-\$10 available in the Church Office

YTD Financials

Unrestricted Giving \$85,541 Expenses \$90,708 Excess/Deficit \$ (5,167)

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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