

**Bryson City Presbyterian Church
September 5, 2021**

Welcome *When Morning Gilds the Skies* arr. Larson

Prelude

Call to Worship *Adapted from Isaiah 35*

Leader: Today there is good news for us to behold!
People: Those who feared that they were worth little to God have found blessing in God's sight.
Leader: For in the mercy and love of God,
the blind shall see, the lame shall walk without pain,
those who could not hear shall be blessed with hearing,
and there shall be peace.
People: God's mercy and love are poured out for our parched souls.
Leader: Behold! The Lord's compassion is with God's people.
Believe in the power of God in all things.
All: Let us worship God!

*Prayer of the Day

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, your face is hidden from us by our sins, and we forget your mercy in the blindness of our hearts. Cleanse us from all our offenses and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires. With lowliness and meekness may we draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength through Jesus Christ your Son.

Time for Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Time for the Child in Us All

First Scripture Reading *Isaiah 35: 1-10*

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Second Scripture Reading *Mark 7: 24-37*

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *Bold Faith* Rev. Beth Newman

Musical Meditation *Spirit of the Living God* arr. Carter

The Lord's Supper

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 Bread

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion

Offertory *You Raise Me Up* arr. Shackley

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 *I Love to Tell the Story* arr. Larson

*Please stand if able

Leading in Worship today: Rev. Beth Newman, Transitional Pastor; Rev. Rachel Lackey, Minister of Music; Carol Sussman, 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.*

Announcements

The Church Office will be closed for the Labor Day holiday on Monday, September 6.

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

We will worship in the Sanctuary on September 12.

YTD Financials	
Unrestricted Giving	\$ 88,781
Expenses	\$ 91,622
Excess/Deficit	\$ (2,841)

BCPC Elders

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

BCPC Staff

Transitional Pastor – Rev. Beth Newman
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