

**Bryson City Presbyterian Church**  
**June 6, 2021**  
**Communion Sunday**

Welcome

Prelude *For the Beauty of the Earth* arr. Snyder

\*Call to Worship

Leader: In the midst of a world where people hunger and thirst  
**People: Come worship a God who feeds the hungry.**  
Leader: In the midst of a world where people are abused and oppressed  
**People: Come worship a God who calls for compassion and justice.**  
Leader: In the midst of a world filled with wars and rumor of war  
**People: Come worship a God who desires nothing less than peace for the world.**  
Leader: In the midst of a world of spiritual emptiness  
**People: Come worship a God who gives life meaning.**  
Leader: Come worship a God whose grace and love know no end.  
**All: Let us worship God!**

Invocation

Prayer of Confession  
**Great Spirit, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments, through Jesus Christ our Brother.**

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Rejoice and be glad! Our God is full of mercy, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. Through Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Dare to believe in the gift of a new beginning and be at peace.  
**People: Amen!**

\*Scripture Reading Mark 3: 20-35

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Musical Meditation *Servant Song* Gillard

Sermon *We're All In This Together-So What Divides Us?* Rev. Jim Strickland

The Lord's Supper

Breaking of Bread and Sharing the Cup

Prayer after Communion

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 *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* arr. Line

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 *We Are Travelers on a Journey* arr. Hayes

\*Please stand if able.

The Call to Worship is taken from *Sacraments and Seasons: Peacemaking Through Worship*.

## 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*

## Upcoming Events



The BCPC Presbyterian Women will meet on Tuesday, June 8 at 1:00 p.m. in the Hut. All women are invited to attend.

### YTD Financials

Unrestricted Giving	\$49,796
Expenses	\$50,408
Excess/Deficit	\$ (612)

The Session decided that masks will be now optional for worship services. Individuals who are vulnerable or not vaccinated are encouraged to continue to wear masks.

### BCPC Elders

Mark Brannon, Collin Caldwell, Drew Campbell, Becky Claxton, Kyle Colley, Cathy Evans, Dawn Letterman, Carol Sussman

### BCPC Staff

Transitional Pastor – Rev. Beth Newman  
Minister of Music & Adm. Assistant – Rev. Rachel Lackey  
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