



# BLACK MOUNTAIN Presbyterian Church

World Communion Sunday  
October 4, 2020



## PRELUDE

### *Chorale*

William Lloyd Webber

from *Chorale, Cantilena, and Finale*

Michael Barker, *organ*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mary Katherine Robinson

## CALL TO WORSHIP

David Carter Florence

We come before you today, O God, descended from prophets and dreamers;  
**so create in us a holy imagination.**

We come filled with life and gifts that are yours, not ours to be hoarded;  
**so give us the ability to love without agenda.**

We come surrounded by sisters and brothers who are not free, groaning  
under the weight of violence and oppression;  
**so give us voices, loud and quick, to speak out for those who suffer.**

We come as a people of your choosing, called forth by your Holy Spirit;  
**so help us see that we are connected to a larger story, blessed to be a blessing for all people.**

Trusting in your power to make all these hopes reality,  
**we come with hearts full of love to worship you today.**

## HYMN

### *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

ELLACOMBE

Libby Barker, *song leader*



I sing the might - y power of God that made the moun-tains rise, that  
I sing the good-ness of the Lord who filled the earth with food. God  
There's not a plant or flower be - low but makes thy glo - ries known. And



spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the loft - y skies. I  
formed the crea-tures through the Word, and then pro-nounced them good. Lord,  
clouds a - rise, and tem - pests blow, by or - der from thy throne, while

sing the wis - dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day. The  
 how thy won - ders are dis - played, wher - e'er I turn my eye, if  
 all that bor - rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care, and  
 moon shines full at God's com - mand, and all the stars o - bey.  
 I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!  
 ev - ery - where that we can be, thou, God art pres - ent there.

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God,  
 in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world.  
 Although Christ is among us as our peace,  
 we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world.  
 The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas.  
 The fears and jealousies that we harbor  
 set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation.  
 We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom,  
 of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression.  
 Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us.  
 Set us free to serve you in the world  
 as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. Amen.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Friends, believe this good news. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**RESPONSE OF PRAISE**

*Surely It Is God Who Saves Me*

FIRST SONG

Sure - ly it is God who saves me, I will trust the Lord and not be af -  
 Sure - ly it is God who saves us, we will trust the Lord and not be af -  
 raid. For the Lord is my strong hold and my sure - de fense, and  
 raid. For the Lord is our strong - hold and our sure - de - fense, and  
 God will be my Sa - vior.  
 God will be our Sa - vior.

## FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 45: 1-15

### SERMON

Promise and Purpose: *Joseph's Story and Our Story*

### HYMN

#### *Be Still My Soul*

FINLANDIA



Be still, my soul! The Lord is on thy side: bear pa - tient-  
Be still, my soul! Thy God doth un - der - take to guide the  
Be still, my soul! The hour is has-tening on when we shall



ly the cross of grief or pain; leave to thy God to or - der and pro-  
fu - ture sure - ly as the past; thy hope, thy con - fi - dence let noth - ing  
be for - ev - er with the Lord, when dis - ap - point - ment, grief and fear are



vide; who through all chang - es faith ful will re main. Be still, my  
shake; all now mys - te - rious shall be bright at last. Be still, my  
gone, sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re - stored. Be still, my



soul! Thy best, thy heaven ly Friend through thorn y ways leads  
soul! The waves and winds still know his voice who ruled them  
soul! When change and tears are past, all safe and bless - ed



to a joy - ful end.  
while he dwelt be - low.  
we shall meet at last.

### CALL TO OFFERING

#### Offertory

#### *Joseph's Dreams*

Tim Rice

Anna Banzhoff, *soloist*

Andrew Lloyd Webber

The offerings we give acknowledge that everything we have is a gift from God. Thank you for participating in the ministry and mission work of BMPC. You can find instructions for all ways of giving online [here](#)

If you would like to respond to the devastation and loss from fires on the west coast and flooding on the gulf coast, please go to the giving page on [our website](#) and designate PDA for your gift. Checks can be dropped off at the church on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday from 9-1:30, or sent through the mail.

# The Lord's Supper

## INVITATION TO THE TABLE

### THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

May the composer of hope be with you!

**And also with you!**

Beloved, God has created us to live faithfully in these times.

**We lift our hearts to the One who shapes us  
into communities of grace and peace.**

Join in singing to God, who takes away all our fears.

**We will come with joy to the Table of peace and hope!**

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

### BENEDICTION

### GLOBAL MISSION MESSAGE

John McCall video



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**Visitors:** let us know of your interest or questions about BMPC.

**Members:** share prayer requests, pastoral concerns, or updated contact information.

*We look forward to hearing from you.*



## JOYS AND CONCERNS

**Karen Austin** following the death of her Aunt Shirley McGavock who passed away on September 16 after struggling with cancer. Prayers requested for **Karen's family, especially Uncle Hugh**, who continues to recover from his motorcycle accident earlier this summer.

**Bill Hollins**, recovering from a fall at Mission Hospital

**Family and friends of Wade Talbot** who died on September 23  
a private service will be held in the columbarium on October 9 at 4:00 p.m.

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**Our PC(USA) Mission Co-workers:** John McCall in Taiwan; Dan & Elizabeth Turk in Madagascar; Gary & Marlene Van Brocklin in South Asia. **Outreach Foundation:** Frank Dimmock

**Seminary Student:** Emily Beaver, Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia

Our partner **Presbytery** and partner church, **Ebenezer**, in Guatemala  
The situation in Guatemala is very difficult with COVID-19. It seems that our Ebenezer church members are healthy, but many are not able to work and it is not easy to get food.

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Please remember in prayer these people with ongoing concerns.

Martha Jean Alvis, Glenn & Evelyn Bannerman, Daisy Buckner, Chad Carlton, Jane Collins, Jim Davies, Doris Hogle, Becky Hughes, Barbara Jenkins, Mary McElrath, Nancy Murray, Margaret Rada, Betty Rand, Penny Sampson, Renee & Charles Sandy, Callie Shaffer, Margie Tyas, Ann Weeks, Paul Willison



## PRAYER OF THE WEEK

*WorldWide God, expand our view of your world and your people.*

*We grieve the pandemic deaths of over a million people. We especially lift up our sister partnership church in Guatemala with limited resources, struggling to survive.*

*We thank you for the wisdom of Joseph during a famine in Egypt.*

*May we individually and together make wise decisions with our resources.*

*May we receive the Christ as the bread of life and the cup of our salvation. Amen.*

*Prayer composed by Jim Layman*

# Our Church's Vision

## Embodying the Love of Christ

Inspiring through Worship and Faith Formation • Nurturing through Fellowship  
Equipping to Serve • Welcoming to All

### Session

Mike Ballard, *clerk*

#### Class of 2020

Jane Bannerman  
Emma Bell  
Anne Provost Drummond  
John Evans  
Patti Pyle

#### Class of 2021

Liesl Case  
Dave Johnson  
Deb Mullis  
Bill Straughan

#### Class of 2022

Ellen Begley  
Austin Brown  
Daniel Wiggs  
Cheryl Wilson

### Deacons

#### Class of 2020

Kristy Beaver  
Dee & Bill Cox  
Susan Dannenberg  
Gay Ferguson  
Olivia & John LaMotte  
Ginny & Rick Lindsey  
Lew Rudisill  
Hannah & Sam Webber

#### Class of 2021

Yvette Ballard  
Carey Jo Elam  
Kiersten & Weston Hall  
Franklin Harris  
Cindy & Ed McDaniel  
Cathy & Neil McMillan  
Gayle & Peter Mudge  
Kay & Mike Salmon  
Margaret Waterstradt

#### Class of 2022

Susan & Ernie Banzhoff  
Kay & Jim Layman  
Susan McElrath  
Mary & Don McMahill  
Martha Jane Petersen  
Delores Spielman  
Janine & Russ Spiller

### Ministers: Every Member Of The Congregation

Mary Katherine Robinson ..... Pastor/Head of Staff  
David Carter Florence ..... Associate Pastor for Congregational Faith Formation  
Bob Tuttle ..... Parish Associate  
Michael Barker ..... Director of Music and Worship Arts  
Alice Patton ..... Director of Preschool Ministry  
Sam Webber ..... Director of Operations and Youth Ministry  
Brittany Williams ..... Director of Congregational Life and Children's Ministry  
Jackie Kerr ..... Director of Communications



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