



BLACK MOUNTAIN
Presbyterian Church

COURAGEOUS

summer sermon series

CONVERSATIONS

July 18, 2021 – 11:00 Worship

Grace and peace! All are welcome here!

Embodying the Love of Christ, we are joyfully called to be a church in the heart of Black Mountain where the welcome never ends! We seek to share the love of Jesus Christ by inspiring worship and faith formation, nurturing authentic relationships, equipping disciples to serve, and being a welcoming and inclusive community to all.

We invite all to join us on the journey!

Please silence all communication devices. This sanctuary incorporates a hearing assistance loop; to engage this system, set hearing aids to the “t-coil” setting.

† indicates to stand, if you are able. The congregation is invited to join in where the liturgy is marked in bold.

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mary Katherine Robinson

PRELUDE

My Lord, What a Morning

Harry Burleigh

† CALL TO WORSHIP

David Carter Florence

O God, we come into your courts
with praise and thanksgiving!

We come in celebration and song.

We come in gratitude of your inheritance.

We come as those who have received blessing upon blessing.

We hear the cry of the poor in the land,
and ache to offer them relief.

We come to bring them blessing upon blessing, in Jesus' name.

O God, we come into your courts
with praise and thanksgiving!

We come in celebration and song.

† HYMN NO. 70

What Does the Lord Require of You?

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess that we find your words hard to swallow.
The quick fixes of this world are so much more pleasant,
leaving us free to go back to our usual routines.
But your wisdom and insight are powerful.
If we listen to your guidance,
your law will remake and renew our lives;
it will reorient us to you and to you alone.
Turn us toward your love for justice and true worship.
Forgive our sins, for which you weep.
Forgive our hesitation.
Grant us courage to choose you as the Lord of our lives,
and to serve you and you alone. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe this Good News:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

† RESPONSE

We Are Forgiven

The musical score is written in treble clef, G major, and 3/4 time. It consists of three staves of music with lyrics underneath. Chords are indicated above the notes.

Staff 1: G Am D7 Gsus G C
We are for - giv - en. We are for - giv - en. Thanks be to

Staff 2: G Am7 Dsus D G Am
God. Thanks be to God. We are for - giv - en.

Staff 3: D7 Gsus G C G Am7 D G
We are for - giv - en. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

Children three years old through kindergarten are invited to leave after Faith Sharing to hear a Bible story and have play time.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 16:1-13

SERMON

Courageous Conversations: Management

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

† HYMN NO. 700

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

CALL TO OFFERING / CONNECTION CARDS

Offertory

Make Me A Channel of Your Peace

St Francis of Assissi/Sebastien Temple

† **The Doxology**

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

† **Prayer of Dedication**

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

† **HYMN NO. 546**

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

† **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

† **POSTLUDE**

variations on What Does The Lord Require of You

In this time of transition in our music ministry, we welcome Aaron Price as our guest musician.



Connect with us on our website

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

Sam Baraki at home recovering from heart ablation surgery

Gladys Brooks recovering at home from fractured shoulder

Ellen Gibson still recovering from back surgery
at Asbury Health & Rehabilitation Center in Charlotte

Joe Rand at the VA Hospice Center

Family and friends of **Betsy Reimer** who died on May 29

Congratulations to **Margie Stansell** on the birth of her new granddaughter Zoey Boyd, born July 2

We list names for three weeks unless requested otherwise.
To add someone to the list, please call 669-2725, or email jackie@bmpcnc.org

Our PC(USA) Mission Co-workers: **John McCall** in Taiwan;

Dan & Elizabeth Turk in Madagascar. 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.

Please remember in prayer these people with ongoing concerns:

**Nada Barnett, Daisy Buckner, Chad Carlton, Sandy Cheatham, Jane Collins, Jim Davies,
Doris Hogle, Becky Hughes, Ruth Janes, Eleanor Landers, Mary McElrath, Margaret Rada,
Betty Rand, Porter Reece, Penny Sampson, Renee & Charles Sandy, Callie Shaffer,
Richard Speegle, Katherine Stanley, Paul Willison, Barbara Witherspoon, Jack Wynn**

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Gracious God,

You have entrusted us with responsibility.

Help us to use the things of this world to honor You.

*We are tempted to be selfish and to forget the needs of others
as an opportunity to serve others and thus show them your love.*

Make us aware of you as we worship today.

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Prayer of the week composed by Gene Witherspoon

WORK AND WORSHIP OF THE CHURCH

Greeters Hospitality & Welcome • **Welcome Table** Rosie Johnson
Bus Driver Dave McClintock • **Head Usher** Perry Sprawls

Sunday, July 18

9:00 a.m. FirstLight Worship
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
2:00 p.m. Barker Family Reception
5:30 p.m. VBS Compassion Camp

Monday, July 19

8:30 a.m. Weekday School Summer Camp
5:30 p.m. VBS Compassion Camp
6:30 p.m. Mission Team

Tuesday, July 20

8:30 a.m. Weekday School Summer Camp
10:00 a.m. Worship Planning
2:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
5:30 p.m. VBS Compassion Camp

Wednesday, July 21

8:30 a.m. Weekday School Summer Camp
5:30 p.m. VBS Compassion Camp

Thursday, July 22

8:30 a.m. Weekday School Summer Camp
5:30 p.m. VBS Compassion Camp Cookout

Friday, July 23

8:30 a.m. Weekday School Summer Camp

Sunday, July 25

9:00 a.m. FirstLight Worship
11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Join us today as we give thanks to Mike Barker for 15 years of faithful service.

Barker Family Reception

2:00-3:30 p.m.

Fellowship Hall

A reception line will form at 2:00 and the choir will present a program beginning at 2:30.

Backpack Buddies

July 11-August 15

We are collecting school supplies in the narthex for Hand in Hand, a local faith-based nonprofit, to distribute to the Owen district schools to help children and teachers.



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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 2021

Liesl Case
Dave Johnson
Deb Mullis
Bill Straughan

Class of 2022

Ellen Begley
Austin Brown
Daniel Wiggs
Cheryl Wilson

Class of 2023

Alison Banzhoff
Gay Ferguson
Jonathan Kadau
Margo Smith
Tommy Wilkinson

Deacons

Class of 2021

Yvette Ballard
Carey Jo Elam
Kiersten & Weston Hall
Franklin Harris
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

Class of 2023

Karen Austin
Alex Carver & Joe Carreiro
Edie & Joe Covert
Margaret Fouse & Craig Cooley
Diane Ginther
Ann Herring
Jeannie Maidment
Margie Stansell

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
Alice Patton Director of Preschool Ministry
Sam Webber Director of Operations
Brittany Williams Director of Congregational Life and Children's Ministry
Jackie Kerr Director of Communications



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