



BLACK MOUNTAIN
Presbyterian Church

COURAGEOUS

summer sermon series

CONVERSATIONS

August 8, 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.

PRELUDE

Lead Me, Lord

Samuel Wesley, George Strickling

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mary Katherine Robinson

INTROIT NO. 399

God Welcomes All

† CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is my Shepherd,
we have everything we need.

My Lord leads me into life’s richest blessings.

God leads us into calming reflections,
and we are refreshed.

God takes me into the good paths of life that I may know the Lord.

Though we have stood at many graves of dearest friends,
we feared nothing, because we knew the Lord was there.

I have felt your good discipline in life, and this has made me grow in wisdom.

This life of faith is a feast,
right in the very face of our troubles.

There I feel your claim on my life,

There is the place where we are most overshadowed by your mighty love.
Surely the riches of your grace will never fail,
even throughout eternity.
That's why we are here today,
and why we will never fail to gather to worship you, Lord.

† HYMN NO. 611

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, we confess our need for you,
for every twist and turn of life.
Yet, we confess that our struggles for security
have not always included you.
Return us to paths of righteousness for your name's sake.

We confess that we have fallen prey
to the demands of our culture,
forgetting the promised blessings of sacrificing
when called upon.

Lead us to share in your sufferings
that we may share in your glory.

Lord, we confess that though there are no bounds to your grace,
the hunger and the loneliness,
the victims of neglect and injustice are all around us.

Teach us how to give ourselves,
like the Christ who redeemed us,
privileged and comfortable as we are.

Restore the joy of our salvation,
for we confess that in you alone
is the light and the hope of all the world. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

† RESPONSE

Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me, and to the
 World with - out end, 7 with - out end, a - men. World with-out
 Son, whose grace has par - doned me, and to the Spir - it, whose love has
 end, 7 with - out end, a - men. World with-out end, 7 with-out
 set me free. As it was in the be - gin - ning, is
 end, a - men.
 now and ev - er shall be, a - - - men.

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

Bill Henderson

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 122: 1-5

SERMON

The Joy of the Lord...or (The Secret of Gladness)

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

† HYMN NO. 79

Light Dawns on a Weary World

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING / CONNECTION CARDS

Offertory

On a Clear Day

Jay Lerner

† **The Doxology**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

† **Prayer of Dedication**

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

† **HYMN NO. 837**

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

† **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

† **POSTLUDE**

She Flies On (variation)

Gordon Light



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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

*Our hearts and prayers are with family and friends of Joe Rand
who entered God's Church Triumphant on August 5.*

*Our hearts and prayers are with family and friends of Daisy Buckner
who entered God's Church Triumphant on July 23.*

Erica Griffin, friend of Jennifer Parlow, who started treatment for stage four breast cancer

Edward Hay recovering at home after a hospital visit with an undiagnosed illness

Warren Reece, Travis Reece's father, Kim Reece's father-in-law, is in ICU at Mission with Covid-19. He has the Delta variant but has been fully vaccinated. He has many underlying medical conditions including in a kidney transplant which is why they think the vaccine was not as effective.

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, Gladys Brooks, Chad Carlton, Paul Carreiro, Sandy Cheatham, Jane Collins,
Ellen Gibson, 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

Lord, the flowers are fading, still beautiful, but passing, and we are reminded that summer is fleeting. Fall is upon us, with school starting, new beginnings, new worries, masks, anxieties, and hope, all mixed together. We pray for wisdom to navigate this difficult road ahead. Give us a vision for the well being of our communities and how we can participate in bringing this to pass. Give us hearts to care for each other, to keep one another safe, to imagine a future without fear of Covid, and its toll on us. Help us to stay strong and firm in our convictions, sacrifices, and selflessness. We pray your blessing on our loved ones, our church community, and those beyond our imaginations. May we be faithful, have courage, and do the right things. In your name we pray, amen.

composed by Margie Stansell

WORK AND WORSHIP OF THE CHURCH

Greeters Hospitality & Welcome • **Welcome Table** Glenda McDaniel
Bus Driver Dave McClintock • **Head Usher** Perry Sprawls

Sunday, August 8

9:00 a.m. FirstLight Worship
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
12:00 p.m. Playground Picnic

Monday, August 9

6:30 p.m. Mission Ministry Team
7:00 p.m. Personnel Ministry Team

Tuesday, August 10

2:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
6:00 p.m. Faith Formation

Thursday, August 12

6:00 p.m. Men's Group

Sunday, August 15

9:00 a.m. FirstLight Worship
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
4:00 p.m. Finance Team



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Memorial Services in August

Sara LeVan

Saturday, August 21, 2:00 p.m.

Lamar Williamson

Saturday, August 28, 2:30 p.m.

Registration opens for
RAD! Wednesdays
on Sunday, August 15
bmpcnc.org

Save The Date!

Annual BMPC Picnic
Labor Day – September 6
1:00-6:00 p.m.

at Camp Rockmont
375 Lake Eden Road, Black Mountain

Name Tags

If you need a name tag, please email
jackie@bmpcnc.org and send your name
the way you want it on the tag.

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
Betsy Ray Youth Director
Aaron Price Interim Music Director



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