



Sunday, August 29, 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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mary Katherine Robinson

Minute for Mission

BMPC Endowment

Tanner Pickett

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT NO. 401 Gather Us In Marty Haugen

† CALL TO WORSHIP

In the light of this day we have gathered;

We are a community that is one, bringing our questions and our joy.

In the song and silence we will listen -

What is it that God would have us hear this day?

In our praise and our prayers we will remember

That God is our refuge and strength,

a very present help in all times of trouble.

Let us worship the One who saves us this day!

God Of The Ages

† HYMN NO. 331

CALL TO CONFESSION

David Carter Florence

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, our rock and refuge,

there are plenty of things that we allow to erode our faith in you.

When life gets stormy, we let our uncertainty cloud our trust in you.

We think we know better and start relying on ourselves

to be able to weather the rain.

Forgive our lack of hope and the disbelief that drowns us.

Allow us to hold on to you, our rock,

and to build our lives on the foundation of your love.

In the name of Jesus Christ, our stalwart and our shelter. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe this Good News:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

† RESPONSE NO. 71

Surely it is God Who Saves Me

FIRST SONG

Surely, it is God who saves me;
I will trust and not be afraid.
For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,
and God will be my Savior.

Surely, it is God who saves us;

We will trust and not be afraid.

For the Lord is our stronghold and our sure defense,
and God will be our Savior.

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 Psalm 46 and Romans 5

SERMON The Business of Hope

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

† HYMN NO. 790

In Silence My Soul Thirsts

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 God Is Our Refuge Allen Pote

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!

†Prayer of Dedication

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

† HYMN NO. 432 How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

† CHORAL BENEDICTION Into Your Loving Care

† POSTLUDE

We welcome Aaron Price as our Interim Director of Music!

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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

Mary Lou Boon, Susan Banzhoff's 95 year old mother, under hospice care in Tampa, FL Ron Botsford, recovering from hip surgery at Highland Farms healthcare Bob Evans, Laurel Broadhurst's father, at Mission recovering from a stroke, trying to find a good rehab hospital. Please pray for unity and peace in his immediate family.

Charlie Ginther, Diane & Paul's nine-month-old granddaughter, recovering from cranial surgery to correct a birth defect

Jessica Dimmock Huber, granddaughter of Polly Miller, niece of Ellen Begley, and daughter of Nancy Dimmock, recovering well from Covid

Congratulations to Alice & Kent Patton on the birth of their newest granddaughter, Wren Alena and congratulations to new parents Caroline Patton Janes and Jon Janes

Heath Tuttle, Pat and Bob Tuttle's 13-year-old grandson in Durham, is receiving chemotherapy under the care of Duke Hospital.

Family and friends of Warren Reece who died on August 21 from Covid. A memorial service will be held in the sanctuary Sunday, August 29, at 4:00 p.m.

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;
Seminary Student: Levi Bannerman, Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, Virginia;
Our partner Presbytery and partner church, Ebenezer, in Guatemala

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 & Gene Witherspoon, Jack Wynn

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Lord, Fear not, you tell us again and again. But the enemy is all around us, and we can't see it. Be strong, take courage, you tell us. Well God, we need courage just to go about our own lives right now, and to let our children be children; to speak up, and speak out, about the things that matter; to even imagine a future where we may live safely. Give us courage to be the helpers; to be the encouragers, to be lovers in the face of haters; to be people committed to making our world a safer, cleaner, kinder, a more just place. And God, give us a vision of a safe and secure future. And remind us that our security finally lies in You. That's what we need to have courage for the living of these days. We trust Your promise and we hold onto your steadfast love. Amen.

WORK AND WORSHIP OF THE CHURCH

Greeters Hospitality & Welcome **Bus Driver** Wavne Mullis

- Greeters Hospitality & Welcome ⋅ Welcome Table Cory & Jennifer Partlow
 - **Bus Driver** Wayne Mullis **Head Usher** Perry Sprawls

Sunday, August 29

9:00 a.m. FirstLight Worship

11:00 a.m. Worship Service

12:15 p.m. Youth & Families Luncheon

4:00 p.m. Warren Reece Service

Monday, August 30

8:00 a.m. Sacred Circle on Zoom

Tuesday, August 31

1:00 p.m. PW Bible Study Leaders

2:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

7:00 p.m. Prophets

Wednesday, September 1

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Sunday, September 5

HYMN SING SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. FirstLight Worship

11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Monday, September 6

LABOR DAY - church office closed



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Connection Card online

Youth and Families Luncheon TODAY!

12:15 (after worship) to 1:30 outside in the courtyard

FOOD • INFORMATION • FORMS • IMPORTANT DATES

Hymn Sing Sunday

Next Sunday, September 5

(both services)

Come and sing some favorite old hymns as we worship together.

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.

In our efforts to help keep everyone safe from Covid, we have cancelled the Annual BMPC Picnic, previously scheduled for Labor Day.

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

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

Deacons

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	
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	
Aaron Price	



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