



**BLACK MOUNTAIN**  
Presbyterian Church



# HYMN SING

Sunday, September 5, 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

Aaron Price

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

David Carter Florence

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT NO. 641

*When in Our Music God Is Glorified*

*choir sings first stanza, congregation joins for the following stanzas*

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Bob Tuttle

O Sing to the Lord a new song,  
**for our Creator has done marvelous things.**

God's steadfast love and faithfulness is promised to all creation,  
**all the ends of the earth have seen God's ways made manifest.**

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth,  
**break forth into joyous song and sing praises.**

Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, and the sound of melody.  
**With trumpets and the sound of the horn, make a joyful noise.**

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it.

**Let the clouds clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy,**  
for God oversees the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.

**Let us worship God in prayer and song!**

**HYMN SINGING**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of mercy,  
as the kiln tests the potter's handiwork,  
so we are tested by our words.

When we use our words to judge – rather than engage,  
**Lord, have mercy on us.**

When we use our words to incite violence – rather than build peace,  
**Lord, have mercy on us.**

When we use our words to scatter – rather than gather,  
**Lord, have mercy on us.**

When we use our words because we are afraid to use our actions,  
**Lord, have mercy on us.**

When we use our words because we are afraid to open our hearts,  
**Lord, have mercy on us.**

Christ, have mercy on us.

**Lord, have mercy on us.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Friends, believe this Good News:

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

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 147:1-11

### HYMN SINGING

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

† **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** from a Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.  
In a broken and fearful world  
the Spirit gives us courage  
to pray without ceasing,  
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,  
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,  
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,  
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.  
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,  
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks  
and to live holy and joyful lives,  
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,  
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"  
With believers in every time and place,  
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death  
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### 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**

*Hymn Tune Medley and Variations*

Aaron Price

† **The Doxology**

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*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. 826**

*Lift High The Cross*

† **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

† **POSTLUDE**

*cover art by Sara LeVan*



**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

Congratulations to **Debbie Bailey** on the birth of her granddaughter,  
Olivia Eleanor Hussey, born August 31 in Charlotte

**Black Mountain Fire Department**, following the death of firefighter Garrett Presnell

**Mary Lou Boon**, Susan Banzhoff's 95-year-old mother, under hospice care in Tampa, FL

**Bob Evans**, Laurel Broadhurst's father, at The Laurels of Summit Ridge

**Mary Hay**, Craig Cooley's cousin, recovering at CarePartners from a broken hip

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**

Prayers for **Tony**, Margie Stansell's friend's cousin who is on a ventilator from Covid

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

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, Ron Botsford, 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

*We come into your presence, O Lord, singing your praises.*

*We enter your gates with joy; within your courts your praise we proclaim;  
our thankful songs our tongues employ, we bless and magnify your name. Amen.*

*composed by Jim Layman, adapted from Old Hundred, The Psalter, 1887*

# WORK AND WORSHIP OF THE CHURCH

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

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## **Sunday, September 5**

HYMN SING SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. FirstLight Worship

11:00 a.m. Worship Service

## **Monday, September 6**

8:00 a.m. Sacred Circle on Zoom

## **Tuesday, September 7**

PW Circles meet (see list in next column)

2:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

7:00 p.m. Prophets

## **Wednesday, September 8**

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

## **Thursday, September 9**

1:30 p.m. Blood Drive

6:00 p.m. Men's Group

## **Sunday, September 12**

9:00 a.m. FirstLight Worship

11:00 a.m. Worship Service

4:00 p.m. Finance Team

5:00 p.m. Taize Worship



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## **PW Circles in September**

### **Dorcas**

Tuesday, September 7, 10:00 a.m. in CR1  
Barbara Brinson/Deb Mullis

### **Esther**

Tuesday, September 7, 10:30 a.m. in the home  
of Dee Cox, 23 Wagon Trail, Highland Farms

### **Priscilla**

Tuesday, September 7, 10:00 a.m. in the Parlor  
Linda Caldwell/Linda Stroupe

### **Ruth**

Tuesday, September 7, 1:30 p.m. in CR1  
Helen Sheorn/Penny Mayronne

### **Naomi**

Tuesday, September 7, 4:30 p.m. in the Library  
Jeannie Maidment/Karen Austin

### **Lydia**

Tuesday, September 14, 6:30 p.m. at church  
Patti Pyle

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## **Blood Drive at BMPC Thursday, September 9**

1:30-6:00 p.m.

sign up:

[www.redcrossblood.org/give](http://www.redcrossblood.org/give)

# 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  
Marge 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 ..... Interim Youth Director  
Aaron Price ..... Interim Music Director



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providing a safe environment for children & youth

