Sunday Worship

March 27, 11:00 a.m. – Fourth Sunday of Lent



Awake, My Soul



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.

BELL PEAL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

David Carter Florence

VOLUNTARY Sarabande & Andantino on O God, Thou Faithful God

Wilbur Held

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

From Death into Life (Shepherd Me O God)

A. Price

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Bob Tuttle

The Lord is my shepherd;

There is nothing I lack.

God makes me lie down in green pastures;

God leads me beside still waters.

God restores my soul.

God leads me in right paths

For the sake of God's good name.

God anoints my head with oil;

My cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me

All the days of my life

And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord

My whole life long.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God,

We are a people who walk toward the night

and hide our shortfalls and weaknesses.

We keep our evil hidden in the dark under rocks,

but flaunt our acts of virtue in the day.

We see ourselves in the right, but pass judgment on others.

We do not stand firmly with those who are vulnerable,

but step back, protecting ourselves, and washing our hands of the situation.

How many opportunities for compassion have we missed?

Forgive us, we pray.

Bring us into your light so that we may see ourselves rightly.

Guide us into your light that we may know ourselves loved.

Show us your light that we may choose to live more fruitful lives,

removing rocks and tilling your rich soil.

Keep guiding us from the hollowness of selfishness, pride, and greed,

to the wholeness of selflessness, humility and generosity.

We pray in the name of Christ, the light of the world.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe this Good News:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

†RESPONSE NO. 423

Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

SARADAY

(verse 3, twice)

Restore to me the joy of your salvation; restore to me the joy of your salvation; restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you! And also with you.

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

John 18:28-40

Ginny Lindsey, Ava Banzhoff, Franklin Jones, Margo Smith

SERMON

Testify to the Truth

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

†HYMN NO. 209

My Song Is Love Unknown

LOVE UNKNOWN

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.

PRAYER RESPONSE NO. 471 O Lord, Hear My Prayer

HEAR MY PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING / CONNECTION CARDS

Anthem

On The Willows

Steven Schwartz/Godspell, arr. Aaron Price

†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.

Praise God the Father who's the Source; Praise God the Son who is the course; Praise God the Spirit who's the flow; Praise God, our portion here below. Amen

†Prayer of Dedication

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

†HYMN NO. 274

You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd

PICARDY

†CHORAL BENEDICTION The Lord Bless You and Keep You

VOLUNTARY

Chorale on O God, Thou Faithful God

Wilbur Held

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Congratulations to **Karen Austin** on the birth of a granddaughter, Julia Austin Slaven, on March 14.

Tanya Banks following the death of her mother on March 26
Barbara Brinson's brother-in-law Rick Johnson, fighting pancreatic cancer
Connie Button recovering from hip replacement at home
Congratulations to Jackie & Phil Garrison on the birth of a granddaughter,
Bonnie Mae Garrison, on February 23.

Henry Griffin following the death of his brother, Morris, on March 1

Dave Johnson following the death of his brother, Tom, in Fairfax, Virginia

The Lehman family following the death of Noah

Chris Mailander following the death of his father, Jim Mailander

Russ Spiller recovering from surgery

Tom Stiles following bladder surgery on March 9

Susan Wilkinson's stepfather, Roger Ray, after a terrible fall

We list names for three weeks unless requested otherwise. To add someone to the list (with their permission), 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 Students: Emily Beaver, Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia;
Levi Bannerman, Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, Virginia;
Susie Burns, Union Presbyterian Seminary in Charlotte, North Carolina;
Our partner Presbytery and partner church, Ebenezer, in Guatemala
Please remember in prayer these people with ongoing concerns:
Mike Barker, Nada Barnett, Chad Carlton, Paul Carreiro, Sandy Cheatham,
Jane Collins, Art De Jong, Ellen Gibson, Kevin Griffin, Beverly Highland, Becky Hughes,
David Kaylor, Eleanor Landers, Mary McElrath, Polly Miller, Jerry Newbold,
Becky Peterson, Elissa Pusser, Margaret Rada, Betty Rand, Penny Sampson,
Renee & Charles Sandy, Callie Shaffer, Richard Speegle,

Connect with us on our website: bmpcnc.org

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.

WORK AND WORSHIP OF THE CHURCH

Greeters Hospitality & Welcome • Welcome Table Jen & Cory Partlow

Bus Driver Dave McClintock • Head Usher Perry Sprawls

Sunday, March 27

9:00 a.m. FirstLight

9:45 a.m. Adult Church School

11:00 a.m. Worship

12:15 p.m. Confirmation

1:30 p.m. Youth Gathering

1:30 p.m. Hike

5:00 pm. Take Five @ 5

Monday, March 28

8:00 a.m. Sacred Circle

9:00 a.m. AARP tax help

1:00 p.m. Earth Care Book Study

6:00 p.m. Session

Tuesday, March 29

1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting

7:00 p.m. Prophets

Wednesday, March 30

Lenten Small Groups (see bmpcnc.org for times and descriptions)

11:30 a.m. Old Fellers Lunch

3:30 p.m. RAD!

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday, March 31

8:30 a.m. AARP tax help

Take Five @ 5

Rhythm and Word Worship TODAY at 5:00pm in the sanctuary

worship in the moment

scripture, poetry, jazz, and prayers

Aaron Price and Sam Webber, coordinators

SAVE THE DATE – April 21 **LUNCH AND LEARN**

Join Sam and Brittany to get connected and learn more about our online church database — **Realm**. If you have any of the following questions, this program is for you:

- What is Realm?
- Why is it important?
- How do I set up an account?
- How do I find my groups?
- How do I change my contact information?
- How do I add a profile picture?
- Where is the online directory?

Thursday, April 21, from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Please register online or by calling the office (828-669-2725) by Thursday, April 20.



You can scan this

QR code to fill out a

Connection Card online

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 2022 Ellen Begley Austin Brown Daniel Wiggs Cheryl Wilson Class of 2023
Alison Banzhoff
Gay Ferguson
Margo Smith
Tommy Wilkinson

Class of 2024
Alan Belsches
Bill Gilliland
Ken Kelly
Ellen Phillips Smith

Deacons

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
Jeannie Maidment
Margie Stansell

Class of 2024
Annamarie & Bill Arens
Christy Carswell
Julie & Dale Culpepper
Melissa Kadau
Ellen McClintock
Anne Straughan
Ann Wiig

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	
Aaron Price	Interim Music Director
Ednamae Fisher	Interim Organist and Handbell Choir Director



for giving

Black Mountain Presbyterian Church

117 Montreat Road | Black Mountain, NC 28711 | 828-669-2725 | www.bmpcnc.org





