

Sunday Worship

May 15, 2022, 11:00 AM



Church Together

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

Mary Katherine Robinson

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

Voluntary VIII
Drew Banzhoff

John Stanley

† CALL TO WORSHIP

David Carter Florence

Welcome this day to the house of our God.

We are greeted in peace and in love.

Welcome this day to the worship of our Creator.

We worship in hope and with grace.

Welcome this day to our community of faith,

Where we are sisters and brothers in Christ.

Friends, let us worship the God of abundance this day!

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we are an imperfect people and we need your love.
 Forgive us when we ignore your children who cry out in distress.
 Forgive us when we choose not to see those who frighten us,
 or those who bother us, or those who remind us too much of ourselves.
 Forgive us when we put rules ahead of people,
 and choose legality over kindness and judgment that lacks mercy.
 Enable us to see as you see,
 the wide vistas open to the possibility of compassion and grace.
 O God, hear our prayer. 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.*

†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

Acts 2:42-47

SERMON

Church Together

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

†HYMN NO. 300

We Are One in the Spirit

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.

PRAYER RESPONSE

Amen

THE OFFERING

Offertory

Johann Christoph Bach - "Ein Feste Burg"

Dieterich Buxtehude - Toccata in F Major, BuxWV 157, Toccata

†The Doxology No. 717 *For the Life That You Have Given*

PLEADING SAVIOR

*For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known,
with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own:
here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring;
give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.*

†Prayer of Dedication

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

†HYMN NO. 766

The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound

MC KEE

†CHARGE & BENEDICTION

†CHORAL BENEDICTION *The Lord Bless You and Keep You*

Lutkin

†POSTLUDE

Voluntary I, Op. 26, No. 1



Many thanks to our guest organist today, Drew Banzhoff

Connect with us on our website: bmperc.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.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Family and friends of Nada Barnett who died on April 23
A service will be held in the sanctuary on July 30, at 2:00 p.m.

Leila Cox, recovering at Mountain Ridge Wellness, Rm. 112, from a fall. Cards appreciated.

Beverly Highland, transferred to the Critical Illness Recovery Unit at Durham Regional Hospital

John Koon, recovering from recent hospital visit – prayers appreciated

Blake Martin, starting treatment for prostate cancer – prayers appreciated

Betsy Murphy, recovering from ankle surgery

John Walker, at Highland Farms Healthcare, rehab for a fractured hip

Jack Williams, recovering at home from a hip replacement on May 2

Gene Witherspoon, in the hospital with heart issues

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, Chad Carlton, Paul Carreiro, Sandy Cheatham, Jane Collins,
Art De Jong, Ellen Gibson, Kevin Griffin, Beverly Highland, Becky Hughes,
Eleanor Landers, Rachael Lee, Hugh Mayronne, Mary McElrath, Polly Miller,
Becky Peterson, Elissa Pusser, Margaret Rada, Betty Rand, Penny Sampson,
Renee & Charles Sandy, Callie Shaffer, Richard Speegle, Joe Standaert,
Katherine Stanley, Paul Willison, Barbara Witherspoon

WORK AND WORSHIP OF THE CHURCH

Greeters Hospitality & Welcome • **Welcome Table** Ron Botsford

Bus Driver Wayne Mullis • **Head Usher** Perry Sprawls

Sunday, May 15

9:00 a.m. FirstLight

9:45 a.m. Church School

11:00 a.m. Worship

12:15 p.m. Confirmation Lunch
with Session

1:30 p.m. Youth

4:00 p.m. Finance Team

Monday, May 16

1:00 p.m. Earth Care Book Study

Tuesday, May 17

1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting

7:00 p.m. Prophets

Wednesday, May 18

11:30 a.m. Old Fellers Lunch

5:00 p.m. High School Girls

6:30 p.m. Strategic Planning Team

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday, May 19

3:00 p.m. Book Group with Ina Hughs

5:00 p.m. Karate with Tanner Pickett

6:00 p.m. Thursday Night Live

Saturday, May 20

1:00 p.m. Knitting Group

Join us for a **Congregational Meeting** after the 11:00 worship service next **Sunday, May 22**, for the purposes of nominating officers for the class of 2025, electing a youth elder for the class of 2022, and voting on a Presbyterian Investment Loan Program construction line of credit for our capital projects.

Caring for our children

We are looking for people who love children to volunteer in our Nursery or to be Extended Session Leaders on Sunday mornings during the Worship service. Our nursery volunteers assist our paid staff and serve in either our infant or toddler rooms. Our Extended Session leaders escort our three- to five-year-old's out of 11:00 worship after Faith Sharing with Children for the children to play and enjoy a bible story. This is a great way to get to know young families and visitors in our congregation.

Please contact Alice Patton (669-2725, ext. 1114) if you are interested.

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
Mergie 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 Interim Youth Director
Aaron Price Interim Music Director



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an Earth Care Congregation



BMPC Child Protection Policy
providing a safe environment for children & youth

