Sunday Worship

July 17, 2022, 9:00 AM



FROM STORY TO PARABLE



Embodying the Love of Christ, we are joyfully called to be a church in the heart of Black Mountain where the welcome never ends.

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

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

Morning Has Broken

arr. Jeanette Borgwardt

harpist, Jessica Meltz

†CALL TO WORSHIP

We praise You; we worship You; we adore You.

You hold the heavens in your hands,

and the stars rejoice in your glory.

You come in the sunrise and in the song of the morning.

You bless the splendor of the noonday.

You satisfy all living things with your abundance, and our hearts bow in your presence.

Be with us, Lord, and hearken to our prayers.

Bend over us, Eternal Love, and bless us. Amen.

†HYMN NO. 265

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

DUKE STREET

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Loving God, to turn from You is to fall, to turn toward You is to rise, and to stand before You is to abide forever. Forgive our sin, Merciful God. Grant us, Gracious God, in all our duties your help, in all our uncertainties your guidance, in all our dangers your protection, in all our failings your correction, and in all our sorrows your peace,

~ silent prayers ~

through Jesus Christ, our Lord, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe this good news, In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

†RESPONSE NO. 743

O God, You Are My God

STEP BY STEP

O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.

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I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways.

And step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.

†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

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 1

Lewis Galloway

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Mark 4:26-34

SERMON

The Mystery of God's Kingdom

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

†HYMN NO. 36

For the Fruit of All Creation

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†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church. 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!"

†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.

THE OFFERING

Offertory

On The Wings of Song

F Mendelssohn

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

PLEADING SAVIOR

†Prayer of Dedication

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

†HYMN NO. 340

This Is My Song

FINLANDIA

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

†POSTLUDE

My Jesus, I Love Thee

arr. Jeanette Borgwardt

Thank you to Lewis Galloway for preaching today and to harpist, Jessica Meltz.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Our hearts and prayers are with family and friends of Barbara and Gene Witherspoon who entered God's Church Triumphant on July 9, 2022.

Polly Miller, under hospice care

Susan Wilkinson and family following the death of Roger Ray, Susan's stepfather, on July 8

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, Leila Cox,
Art De Jong, Ellen Gibson, Kevin Griffin, Becky Hughes, Eleanor Landers,
Rachael Lee, Hugh Mayronne, Mary McElrath, Becky Peterson, Elissa Pusser,
Margaret Rada, Betty Rand, Penny Sampson, Charles & Renee Sandy, Callie Shaffer,
Richard Speegle, Joe Standaert, Katherine Stanley, Paul Willison

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

 $\textbf{Greeters} \ \, \textbf{Hospitality} \, \, \textbf{\&} \, \, \textbf{Welcome} \quad \cdot \quad \textbf{Bus Driver} \, \, \textbf{Wayne Mullis}$

Welcome Table Ron Botsford

Sunday, July 17

9:00 a.m. Morning Worship

10:30 a.m. Montreat Summer Worship

5:00 p.m. Ice Cream Party

6:00 p.m. Gathered at Six

Monday, July 18

1:15 p.m. Earth Care Book Study

1:30 p.m. Worship Team

Tuesday, July 19

11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

6:00 p.m. Faith Formation

7:00 p.m. Worship Music Rehearsal

Wednesday, July 20

11:30 a.m. Old Fellers Lunch

6:30 p.m. Strategic Planning

Thursday, July 21

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

5:00 p.m. Karate with Tanner Pickett

Saturday, July 23

2:00 p.m. Service for Jack Wynn

at Highland Farms

7:30 p.m. Family Movie Night

Sunday, July 24

9:00 a.m. Morning Worship

10:30 a.m. Montreat Summer Worship

1:30 p.m. Hike

5:00 p.m. Food & Fellowship Potluck

6:00 p.m. Gathered at Six

Service of Witness to the Resurrection for Jack Wynn

Saturday, July 23, at 2:00 p.m. Assembly Room of Givens Highland Farms All are welcome

Backpack Buddies

Let's help to make sure this is a successful year for Buncombe County students! We will be collecting backpacks and school supplies July 17 through August 14 in the narthex. **Hand In Hand** will get them to Owen district schools before Monday, August 29, when students return to the classroom. A list of items needed are on page 4 in the July Window newsletter.

New BMPC T-shirts!

T-shirts with the beautiful image created by BMPC member Chelsea Goins for our *Morning Has Broken* generosity campaign last year are available for \$20 each. The shirts are in the narthex and you can make your purchase during office hours (M-F, 9-2) or after the 9:00 service on Sundays.

Family Movie Night

Saturday, July 23 – 7:30 pm outside in the courtyard or in fellowship hall if it rains Bring snacks or a picnic as we

come together for fun and fellowship!

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
Jayne & Ronald Vaughan
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	
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
Aaron Price	Interim Music Director





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