Sunday Worship

October 23, 2022, 11:00 AM



Cody F. Miller



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.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mary Katherine Robinson

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE Be Still My Soul

INTROIT O Come, Let Us Sing Unto The Lord

Connie Fortunado

†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 God.

†HYMN NO. 65

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

CWM RHONDDA

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy Lord, God of life, hear our prayer:

Forgive us when we follow those paths that do not lead to life,

That lead instead to violence, or hate, or fear,

Paths that lead to dread and death.

Forgive us when we forget that you offer us life,

Life that is abundant and eternal,

Life that began at the creation of all things.

~ silent prayers ~

Forgive us, turn us to the right path,

and let your love and grace flow over us and the world.

We pray in Jesus' name and for his sake. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, live this good news!

In Jesus Christ, we are transformed by grace.

†RESPONSE

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

Kelley Hijleh, cantor

CANTOR: When I walk through the shades of death your presence is my stay;

one word of your supporting breath drives all my fears away.

Your hand, in sight of all my foes, does still my table spread; my cup with blessings overflows; your oil anoints my head.

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PEOPLE: My shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is his name.

In pastures fresh he makes me feed, beside the living stream.

He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake his ways,

and leads me, for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

†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 READING

Matthew 14:1-21

Children may read A Boy and His Lunch on page 264 in Growing in God's Love Story Bible.

SERMON

Two Kingdoms

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.

CHORAL RESPONSE

Amen

A Price

THE OFFERING

Offertory

Who at My Door Is Standing

K Lee Scott

English Folk Song

†Doxology No. 717

For the Life That You Have Given

PLEADING SAVIOR

†Prayer of Dedication

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

†HYMN NO. 837

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

†CHORAL BENEDICTION

Make Me a Servant

Kelly Willard

POSTLUDE

Everlasting Arms: variation

Aaron Price

The flowers in the sanctuary are given by the Sandy family in memory of Reneé Sandy.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Issac Black, three-year-old son of Carla and Jason Black, who has Leukemia, thankfully with a good prognosis. He will be done with his treatment in June 2023.

Jim Griffin following a hip replacment

Lisa Kesecker diagnosed with bulbar ALS

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, Jane Collins, Leila Cox, Art De Jong, Ellen Gibson, Kevin Griffin, Becky Hughes, Eleanor Landers, Rachael Lee, Hugh Mayronne, Mark McDaniel, Mary McElrath, Polly Miller, Becky Peterson, Elissa Pusser, Margaret Rada, Betty Rand, Penny Sampson, Charles Sandy, Callie Shaffer, 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

Welcome Table Rosie Johnson • Greeters Cherie Lunsford, Ellen Phillips

Bus Driver Dave McClintock • Ushers Cherie Lunsford, Judy Williams, Kay Layman

Sunday, October 23

9:00 a.m. FirstLight Worship

10:00 a.m. Faith Formation classes

10:00 a.m. Family Worship

11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

12:00 p.m. Potato Lunch

2:00 p.m. Youth Group

4:00 p.m. Finance Team

4:30 p.m. Officer Training

Monday, October 24

11:30 a.m. Words On The Word

1:15 p.m. Earth Care Book Study

2:15 p.m. Staff Meeting

6:00 p.m. Session

Tuesday, October 25

1:00 p.m. PW Bible Study

2:15 p.m. PW Coordinating Team

6:30 p.m. Lydia Circle

7:00 p.m. Prophets Rehearsal

Wednesday, October 26

11:00 a.m. Meet & Eat

11:30 a.m. One River, Many Wells

11:30 a.m. Old Fellers Lunch

3:30 p.m. RAD! Wednesdays

5:30 p.m. Dinner

6:00 p.m. Deacon Meeting

6:30 p.m. Youth Small Group

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 27

12:30 p.m. Lunch with Mary Katherine

5:00 p.m. Karate with Tanner Pickett

Great way to support our youth!

Potato Lunch TODAY at noon

Dine in or take out a baked potato with all the fixings, salad, and dessert. Proceeds will support youth service projects, conferences, and fellowship opportunities.

VISITORS

We're so glad you're here! Please stop by the welcome table in the narthex to pick up your welcome bag.

Wednesday Night Spaghetti Dinners

Sign up in the narthex or online (bmpcnc.org) by Monday before the Wednesday you will attend so we will know how much food to purchase.



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Connection Card online

Faith Formation Adult Programs

SUNDAYS - 10:00 a.m.

Koinonia

From Jerusalem to Rome, The Story of the Church Study the book of Acts with the newly formed Koinonia class led by Lewis Galloway. Luke continues the story of Jesus and the early church on the way from Jerusalem to Rome. Lewis offers an engaging and thoughtful exploration of the scripture for today. Fellowship Hall

Living the Questions

The Wisdom of Progressive Christianity

Sep. 25-Oct. 23: Living the Questions is a "DVD and web-based curriculum – designed to help people wrestle with the relevance of Christianity in the 21st century." Living the Questions does not offer a "systematic theology," but is more of a thematic overview born of day-to-day conversation and questions raised in local churches. Upstairs Education Wing

The Heart of Christianity (first and third Sundays)

Come and have coffee and a biscuit together! Build relationships and explore the vital elements of Christian faith and life with other parents and young adults. Led by Ken Kelly. While Parents attend, children are invited to Stories and Singing with David Carter Florence and Brittany Williams. Church House

Stories and Singing (first and third Sundays)

Learn the stories of our tradition through storytelling, art, recreation, and song. This multi-age children's gathering will have fun building friendships and community. Led by David Carter Florence, Brittany Williams, and Aaron Price. Church House

Family Worship (second and fourth Sundays)

Gather for an informal "teaching worship service" for all ages, but especially age-appropriate for children and parents. We usually meet outside and invite participation in all facets of worship! Led by David Carter Florence, Brittany Williams, and Aaron Price. Courtyard or Church House during inclement weather







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

MONDAYS

Words on the Word

11:30-12:30 p.m.

Reading and musing on the upcoming Sunday sermon text

Enjoy the possibilities of the scripture with thoughtful close and expansive readings of the primary Bible reading for next Sunday's worship. We will explore exegesis, interpretive reading, and liturgical possibilities. Bring a bag lunch. Led by Mary Katherine Robinson and David Carter Florence.

Church House

Earth Care Book Study

1:15-2:15 p.m.

Environmental readings and theology Read and discuss classic and current environmental writings that guide us in our practices and understanding of eco-theology, economics, activism, and community. Led by David Carter Florence and other members of the Earth Care Team.

Courtyard or Church House

WEDNESDAYS (second and fourth)

One River, Many Wells

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Seek the common heart of the great spiritual traditions of the world by delving into one another's spiritual riches. We will explore readings and film from the religions of the world, seeking greater understanding and compassion. Bring a bag lunch! Led by David Carter Florence and guests. Church House