Sunday Worship

February 12, 11:00 a.m.





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

Minute for Mission

SVCM

Kevin Bates

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

Blest Be the Ties That Bind

Fawcett/Mason

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Bob Tuttle

Friends, we gather this day to celebrate life –

the life we have been given by God,

the life we share with one another in community,

the life that Jesus gives in abundance.

Let us be grateful for the joy of life,

and let us worship God.

†HYMN NO. 771

What Is the World Like?

NEW WORLD

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Creator God,

although we surrender our lives to you individually,

we are called to live and serve in community as one body.

Nevertheless, we do not see each other equally or accurately.

We tend to think that some are more gifted, more attractive, even more holy than others.

Rather than claim Christ's love for all,

we judge one another, even ourselves, on worldly merit.

Forgive us, Lord.

Redeem us from our insular thinking.

Open our eyes to the truth of your perfect plan

for Your church body to work graciously as one.

We pray this humbly in Christ's name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, live this good news!

In Jesus Christ, we are transformed by grace.

†RESPONSE

We Are One in the Spirit

We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord; we are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord, and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you.

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

David Carter Florence

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 12:12-27

SERMON

Lift Every Voice

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

†HYMN NO. 339

Lift Every Voice and Sing

LIFE EVERY VOICE

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We trust in God,

whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

In sovereign love God created the world good

and makes everyone equally in God's image,

male and female, of every race and people,

to live as one community.

But we rebel against God; we hide from our

Creator. Ignoring God's commandments,

we violate the image of God in others and

ourselves, accept lies as truth,

exploit neighbor and nature,

and threaten death to the planet entrusted in our care.

We deserve God's condemnation.

Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.

In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah

chose a covenant people to bless all

families of the earth.

Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage.

Loving us still,

God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.

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 Total Praise R. Smallwood

†Doxology

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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!

†Prayer of Dedication

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

†HYMN NO. 700

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

I'M GONNA LIVE

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

† CHORAL BENEDICTION

Total Praise: AMEN

POSTLUDE

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Our hearts and prayers are with family and friends of Shannon Ingersol who entered God's Church Triumphant on February 3. A memorial service will be held in the sanctuary on Saturday, February 25, at 2:00 p.m.

Ann Carr Adkins following the death ot her sister, Sue Downing

Eli Banks recovering from a broken clavicle

Jane Collins moved to Aston Park Health Care Center for memory care

Sharon Fender recovering from a hip replacement

Susan Hensley recovering at home, visitors welcome

Dick Hobson welcomes visitors

Kitty Kelly prayers for healing following her knee surgery

Congratulations to Ellen and Dave McClintock for their new grandson, Nicolas

Jo Majka and family following the death of Jo's daughter-in-law, Debbie Hile

Keller Muscatell, Janine Spiller's one-year-old great nephew, hospitalized in Ft. Worth Texas

Family and friends of Lyn Nygren who died on January 28. A memorial service will be held in the Assembly Room at Highland Farms on Saturday, February 18, at 10:00 a.m.

Congratulations to Alice and Kent Patton for new grandson, Dawson Callen Janes, born January 31

Katherine Stanley at Mission

Jessi Stitt volunteering with Annunciation House in El Paso offering hospitality to immigrants, migrants, and refugees

Mission Partners: John McCall in Taiwan; Dan & Elizabeth Turk in Madagascar;
Outreach Foundation: Frank Dimmock; This Child Here/Ukraine: Robert Gambrell;
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, Jackie Gibbs, Ellen Gibson, Kevin Griffin, Becky Hughes, Rachael Lee, Hugh Mayronne, Mark McDaniel, Mary McElrath, Polly Miller, NeGrete Family, Becky Peterson, Elissa Pusser, Margaret Rada, Betty Rand, Penny Sampson, Charles Sandy, Callie Shaffer, 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 Jen, Cory, Harrison Partlow · Greeter Cherie Lunsford

Bus Joe Carreiro · Ushers Ellen McClintock, Dave Johnson, Annamarie Arens, Gay Ferguson

Sunday, February 12

9:00 a.m. FirstLight Worship

10:00 a.m. Faith Formation classes

10:00 a.m. Family Worship

11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Worship

2:00 p.m. Youth

6:30 p.m. Young Families Potluck

Monday, February 13

1:15 p.m. Earth Care book study

5:00 p.m. Strategic Planning

5:15 p.m. Worship Team

5:30 p.m. Property Team

5:30 p.m. Hospitality & Welcome

6:45 p.m. Ministry Teams Devotional

7:00 p.m. Faith Formation Team

7:00 p.m. Outreach/Mission Team

7:00 p.m. Personnel Team

Tuesday, February 14

11:00 a.m. Worship Planning

1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting

7:00 p.m. Prophets Rehearsal

Wednesday, February 15

11:30 a.m. Old Fellers Lunch

5:30 p.m. Great Story study group

6:00 p.m. Youth Small Groups

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 16

5:00 p.m. Karate with Tanner Pickett

the LENT main event

All-church read with study and discussion groups

Saving Us by Katharine Hayhoe

Borrow the book from the church or purchase it for \$8 at the front desk. You are encouraged to sign up but are welcome to attend any group even if you haven't done the reading. The conversation is the most important thing!

Requested reading before each study group:

week 1 Preface and Section 1: The Problem and the Solution, pages ix-33

week 2 Section 2: Why Facts Matter and Why They Are Not Enough, pages 37-83

week 3 Section 3: The Threat Multiplier, pp. 87-128

week 4 Section 4: We Can Fix It, pp. 131-191

week 5 Section 5: You Can Make a Difference, pp.195-245

Highland Farms – Lodge Poplar Room

THURSDAYS, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

Led by Jeannie Franklin, Martha Jane Peterson February 23, March 2, March 9, March 16, March 23

At BMPC - CR2

SUNDAYS, 9:45-10:45 a.m.

Led by Jeannie Franklin, Scottie Cannon February 26, March 5, March 12, March 19, March 26

At BMPC - Church House

MONDAYS, Noon-1:00 p.m.

Led by David Carter Florence, Robin & Tom Stiles February 27, March 6, March 13, March 20, March 27

At BMPC - CR2

WEDNESDAYS, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Led by Karen Austin, Larry Berglund March 1, March 8, March 15, March 22, March 29

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 2024

Alan Belsches (property) Bill Gilliland (personnel) Ken Kelly (faith formation)

Ellen Phillips Smith (worship)

Mary Carroll Dodd (Hospitality & Welcome) Kristy Beaver (congregational life) Steve Riley (Finance) Mike Begley (Generosity)

Class of 2025

Deacons

Class of 2023

Alison Banzhoff (faith formation)

Gay Ferguson (congregational life)

Sarah Wren Robinson

Margo Smith (strategic planning)

Tommy Wilkinson (mission)

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Karen Austin

Alex Carver & Joe Carreiro

Margaret Fouse & Craig Cooley

Diane Ginther

Jeannie Maidment

Margie Stansell

Janine & Russ Spiller

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

Class of 2025 Ann Carr Adkins Liesl Case Susan McElrath Alice McDowell Katherine Holman Harriette Fulton & Robert Sway Jayne & Ronald Vaughan Debby Vial

Ministers: Every Member Of The Congregation

•	Pastor and Head of Staff Associate Pastor for Congregational Faith Formation
	Parish Associate
Aaron Price	Director of Music and Worship Arts
Alice Patton	Director of Preschool Ministry
Brittany Williams	. Director of Congregational Life and Children's Ministry
Sam Webber	Director of Operations
Jackie Kerr	Director of Communications
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Suzane Churchman	Bookkeeper
Steve Kint	Custodian



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