

Sunday Worship

March 5, 11:00 a.m.



BLACK MOUNTAIN
Presbyterian Church

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

Prelude on "Duke Street"

H. Alexander Matthews

†CALL TO WORSHIP

From the very beginning, God calls us forth into the world.

**God gives us meaning and purpose, if we seek,
strive and open ourselves to receive.**

Our hope is in God, all of our days.

God is a rock, a foundation to build our house upon.

May our hopes grow, mature and find fruition.

**Trusting in God, may we live a life of giving,
caring and sharing joy.**

For even though we now know only in part,

**God, you are like a wise grandparent
who quietly guides us to understanding and faith.**

†HYMN

For the Splendor of Creation



1 For the splen - dor of cre - a - tion that draws us to in - quire;
2 Let___ all cre - a - tion's won_ ders and count-less an - gel hordes
3 From_ far be-neath the o - ceans let joy - ful songs a - rise,
4 So___ let us lift our voi - ces for all that we are worth;



for the my - ste - ries of know - ledge to which our hearts as - pire
u___ nite in cease-less wor - ship to praise the Lord of Lords
while_ hail and wind and light - ning toss psalms a - cross the skies.
to___ God whose time - less splen - dor sur - pas - ses heav'n and earth;

for the deep and sub - tle beau - ties which de - light the eye and ear,
 She_ speaks, and forms the cos - mos, He__ sets the stars in place
 You_ beasts of farm and jun - gle, let__ na - ture's hymn be heard;
 In__ love she chose and called us a__ peo - ple of her own,

for the dis - ci - pline of lo - gic, the strug - gle to be clear,
 God's voice de - fines the con - tours of in - ter - stel - lar space -
 tell__ out your mak - er's great - ness, each in - sect ev - ery bird;
 and__ gave to us a sav - iour to make her mer - cy known.

for the un - ex - plained re main der, the puz - zling and the odd:
 let__ sun and moon ex - tol__ him and ev - ery pla - net sing
 you peo - ples and you ru__ lers, ac - knowl edge him as king!
 His__ name a - lone we hon - nor, our life - long praise we bring;

for the joy and pain of lear__ ning, we give you thanks, O God.
 a - cross the con - stel - la__ tions let al - le - lu - ias ring.
 from__ ev - ery gen - er - a__ tion let al - le - lu - ias ring.
 from__ deep with - in our spir - its let al - le - lu - ias ring!

CALL TO CONFESSION

Bob Tuttle

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of life, we admit to you and to each other
 that we have not always lived lives of love and compassion.
 We have lost patience and been rude.
 We have failed to see our neighbor, even when you are our neighbor.
 We talk before we listen, and judge when it is not our job.
 We have been irritable and insisted on our own way,
 mostly because we are not secure in who you make us to be.
 Empty us of fear and shame and fill us with love that is patient and kind.
 We pray this in the name of the One who walked in humility,
 compassion and love, Jesus, the Christ. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, live this good news!
 In Jesus Christ, we are transformed by grace.

†RESPONSE NO. 519 *You Are My Strength When I Am Weak*

†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 12:13

SERMON

Praying Through a Dim Mirror

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

THE OFFERING

Offertory

Lord, Make Me an Instrument

Jody Lindh

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with the choir of creation
and all the saints of all times and places who forever sing to the glory of your name:*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

In the fullness of your sovereign glory, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Hymn

Shepherd Me, O God

congregation sings refrains



Shep-herd me, o God, be-yond my wants, be-yond my fears, from death in-to life.

Prayer after Communion

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

†HYMN NO. 632

People of the Lord

choir sings first stanza

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

†CHORAL BENEDICTION

Go Ye Now in Peace

Joyce Eillers

POSTLUDE

Prelude and Fugue in b minor

Johann C. F. Fischer

Many thanks to Ted Stewart for playing the organ this morning.

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JOYS AND CONCERNS

Casey, daughter of Beth and Bruce Gunn, recovering at home

John Evans recovering from a stroke at home in Wilmington

Carolyn Johnson recovering at home from hip replacement surgery

James Mattox, Anne and Bill Straughan's nephew, is in critical condition with a severe infection and in intensive care at Rex Hospital in Raleigh

Family and friends of Polly Miller who died on February 20

Gay Mothershed welcoming visitors in Highland Farms Healthcare #27

Virginie Pomeroy recovering at home from ACL surgery

John Slater, John Murphy's neighbor's brother, diagnosed with congestive heart failure

Tom Stiles recovering from surgery for bladder cancer

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

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, Mark McDaniel, Mary McElrath,

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 Glenda McDaniel • **Bus** Dave McClintock • **Greeter** Margaret Fouse

Ushers Judy & Jack Williams, Julie & Dale Culpepper

Sunday, March 5

9:00 a.m. FirstLight Worship

9:45 a.m. Saving Us book study

10:00 a.m. Faith Formation classes

11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Worship

2:00 p.m. Youth

Monday, March 6

12:00 p.m. Saving Us book study

2:30 p.m. Earth Care Team

Tuesday, March 7

PW Circles Meet

11:00 a.m. Worship Planning

1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting

7:00 p.m. Prophets Rehearsal

Wednesday, March 8

11:30 a.m. Old Fellers Lunch

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

3:30 p.m. RAD! Wednesdays

5:30 p.m. Great Story study group

6:00 p.m. Youth Small Groups

6:00 p.m. Saving Us book study

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 9

1:00 p.m. Saving Us book study
at Highland Farms

1:30 p.m. Blood Drive

5:00 p.m. Karate with Tanner

Friday, March 10

5:30 p.m. Kids Night In

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

All women are invited to any circle.

Tuesday, March 7

DORCAS 10:00 a.m., Church House

PRISCILLA 10:00 a.m., Church House

ESTHER 10:30 a.m., Alice McDowell
336 Natures Bend, HF

RUTH 1:30 p.m., Cypress Room in the
Lodge at Highland Farms

NAOMI 3:00 p.m., Church House

Tuesday, March 14 & 28

LYDIA 6:30 p.m., Church House

Tuesday, March 28

Bible Study 1:00 p.m.

Coordinating Team 2:15 p.m.

Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, March 9, at BMPC

Lots of appointments are still available!

You can sign up at redcrossblood.org

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 2023

Alison Banzhoff (faith formation)
Gay Ferguson (congregational life)
Sarah Wren Robinson
Margo Smith (strategic planning)
Tommy Wilkinson (mission)

Class of 2024

Alan Belsches (property)
Bill Gilliland (personnel)
Ken Kelly (faith formation)
Ellen Phillips Smith (worship)

Class of 2025

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

Deacons

Class of 2023

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

Mary Katherine Robinson Pastor and Head of Staff
David Carter Florence Associate Pastor for Congregational Faith Formation
Bob Tuttle 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
Katie Duvall Youth Coordinator
Suzane Churchman Bookkeeper
Steve Kint Custodian



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