

Sunday Worship



11:00AM – September 24, 2023

Please silence all communication devices. † indicates to stand, if you are able.

The congregation is invited to join in where the liturgy is marked in bold.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mary Katherine Robinson

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Walk For Your Neighbor

Austin Brown

INTROIT

We Will Walk With God

John Bell/Swaziland melody

We will walk with God my brothers, we will walk with God

We will walk with God, my sisters, we will walk with God

We will go rejoicing til the kingdom has come

We will go rejoicing til the kingdom has come

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Bob Tuttle

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.

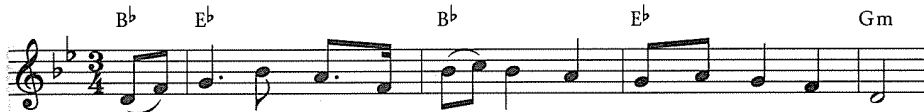
Welcome this day to our community of faith,

Where we are family; sisters and brothers in Christ!

Welcome home, people of God!

† HYMN

Let All Creation's Wonders



1 Let all cre - a - tion's won - ders and count-less an - gel hordes

2 From far be-neath the o - ceans let joy - ful songs a - rise,

3 So let us lift our voic - es for all that we are worth



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 - pass - es heaven and earth:



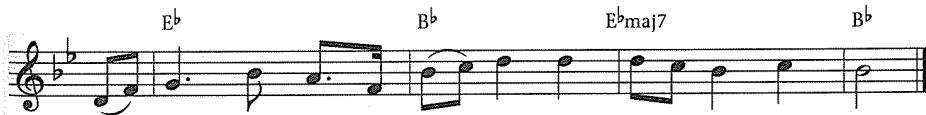
he spoke, and formed the cos-mos; he set the stars in place;
You beasts of farm and jun-gle, let na-ture's hymn be heard;
in love he chose and called us, a peo-ple of his own,



his 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-ior to make his mer-cy known.



let sun and moon ex-tol him and ev-ery plan-et sing;
you peo-ples and you rul-ers, ac-knowl-edge him as King—
His name a-lone we hon-or; our life-long praise we bring;



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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God,

we can be so full of fear at times – afraid of the unknown;
afraid of what is beyond our control; afraid of what is strange to us.

We know that fear stops us in our tracks, hinders our action,
and gives excuse for not doing what you call us to do
and what you empower us to do.

So we pray that you will give us courage, O God.

Give us strong hearts and open hands, that we might set aside our fear,
and walk confidently into this world you have made.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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

Musical Meditation

The Gift of Love

Hal Hopson

†Doxology No. 717

For the Life That You Have Given

PLEADING SAVIOR

†Prayer of Dedication

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

†HYMN NO. 729

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

*While we sing this hymn, you are invited to come forward
with your 25 Cents A Meal offering for hunger relief in our community.*

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

A Parting Blessing

J Jerome Williams

POSTLUDE

Wondrous Love



We welcome and thank Ann Laird-Jones for her musical contributions today.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Mike and Yvette Ballard following the death of Mike's sister, Patricia Dunn

Family and Friends of Byron Bac (Ebenezer Church in Guatemala) who died on September 13

Drew Banzhoff was installed as the Director of Music and Organist at Tryon Presbyterian Church on Sunday, September 17.

Scott Gregory recovering at home from hip replacement

Anne Moseley recovering her strength at home

Aaron Price vocal healing

Jessi Stitt is helping with well installations through Marion Medical Mission in Malawi, Tanzania, Zambia, and Mozambique through October 22

Ann Wiig recovering from knee replacement surgery at home

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 Gamble**;

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:

Chad Carlton, Jane Collins, Art De Jong, Jim Elam, Ellen Gibson,

Kevin Griffin, Becky Hughes, Mary McElrath, NeGrete Family, Casey Newton,

Elissa Pusser, Margaret Rada, Betty Rand, Penny Sampson, Charles Sandy,

Ken Scott, Callie Shaffer, Sandra Wilson, Kay Petty Young

WORK AND WORSHIP OF THE CHURCH

Bus Driver John Murphy **Greeter** Perry Sprawls

Ushers Dave Johnson, Cherie Lunsford, Margaret Fouse, Annamarie Arens

Sunday, September 24

- 8:45 a.m. FirstLight
- 9:45 a.m. Adult Faith Formation Classes
- 10:00 a.m. Family Worship
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 2:00 p.m. Child Protection Training
- 2:00 p.m. Youth
- 2:00 p.m. Handbell Practice

Monday, September 25

- 1:00 p.m. Earth Care Book Study
- 6:00 p.m. Session
- 7:00 p.m. Beer & Hymns @ White Horse

Tuesday, September 26

- 1:00 p.m. PW Coordinating Team
- 1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 2:15 p.m. PW Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Women's AA Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Prophets

Wednesday, September 27

- 11:30 a.m. Old Fellers Lunch
- 3:30 p.m. RAD! Wednesdays
- 5:30 p.m. Spaghetti Dinner
- 6:30 p.m. Youth
- 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 28

- 5:00 p.m. Karate with Tanner
- 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Night

Saturday, September 30

- 9:00 a.m. Beyond Land Acknowledgement conference at UNCA
- 9:30 a.m. Bounty & Soul Yoga

Fellowship Night

at



Thursday, September 28

5:30 p.m.

Spaghetti Dinners

5:30 p.m. – all Wednesdays
through November 8

Wednesday night spaghetti dinners are back with vegetarian and gluten-free options. There is a suggested donation of \$5/per person, \$3 for children ages three and under, or \$20/per family.

Pay what you can – everyone is welcome.

Please sign up (each week) on the signup sheet outside fellowship hall or by calling the church office (828-669-2725).



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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 (youth elder)
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
Tom and Sam Maynard
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
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