

All Saints' Sunday Worship

November 5, 2023 – 11:00 a.m.



BLACK MOUNTAIN
Presbyterian Church

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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

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Mary Katherine Robinson

INTROIT

Ours is a Singing Faith

† CALL TO WORSHIP

David Carter Florence

In the beginning, God called the world into being, saying,

“Let there be light!”

In the fullness of time, Jesus came from God to us, saying,

“I am the Light of the world.”

In our everyday life, we see the work of the saints,

The ones in whom God’s light shines.

So let us give thanks for the saints this day,

And let us worship God.

† HYMN NO. 730

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

GRAND ISLE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You have said that the poor in spirit are blessed.

Yet we pretend to be powerful and pursue the lie of self-sufficiency.

Give us humble hearts and help us depend on your grace and goodness for every moment.

O humble God, we need you.

You have said that the meek are blessed.

**Yet we follow the call of advertisements and corporate ladders,
pursuing the treasures of this world.**

Help us steward our earthly blessings well and find our true treasure in you.

O generous God, we need you.

You have said that the merciful are blessed.

Yet we harbor anger and resentment in our hearts. Heal our bitterness,
teach us to forgive, and help us work toward restoration in our lives and world.
O merciful God, we need you.

You have said that the peacemakers are blessed,
Yet we live in a polarized world where it is easier to take sides than build bridges.
Give us ears to humbly listen and tongues seasoned with grace
that we might carry your non-anxious presence through the world.
O Creator God, we need you.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

†RESPONSE NO. 172

Blest Are They

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you!
And also with you.

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

FAITH SHARING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 6:20-31

SERMON

Following the Light

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

THE OFFERING

Musical Meditation *O Bread of Life From Heaven*

†Doxology

In Life and In Death

SE “Skip” Viau

The musical score is written in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are: "In life and in death we be-long to God, we be-long to God. Through the grace of our Lord Je-sus Christ, the love of God, and the com-mun-ion of the Ho-ly Spi-rit, we trust in the one tri-une God, the Ho-ly One of Is-ra-el, whom a-lone we wor-ship, whom a-lone we serve." The score includes measure numbers 5, 7, and 13. The key signature has one flat (Bb). The time signature is 4/4, with a change to 5/4 in the third staff.

In life and in death we be-long to God, we be-long to God.
5
Through the grace of our Lord Je-sus Christ, the
7
love of God, and the com-mun-ion of the Ho-ly Spi-rit,
we trust in the one tri-une God, the Ho-ly One of Is-ra-el,
13
whom a-lone we wor-ship, whom a-lone we serve.

†Prayer of Dedication

The Lord's Supper

sung liturgy taken from GTG 473 Shepherd Me, O God

Invitation to the Lord's Supper

Great Thanksgiving and the Prayers of the People

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, O God,
for you truly are our shepherd, leading us to the waters of your grace and love.

Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.

CANTOR WITH PIANO: God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want,
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love, I walk by the quiet waters of peace.

LEADER: When we rebelled against you refusing to trust and obey you,
you did not reject us, but still claimed us as your own.

Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.

CANTOR: Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul, you lead me by pathways of
righteousness and truth, my spirit shall sing the music of your name.

LEADER: You sent your only Son to be one of us, to redeem us and heal our brokenness.

Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.

CANTOR: Though I should wander the valley of death, I fear no evil,
for you are at my side, your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope.

LEADER: Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and cup,
that this meal may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ.

Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.

CANTOR: You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred,
crowning me with love beyond my power to hold.

LEADER: Keep us faithful in your service nurturing us in Christ's presence through the
Holy Spirit, and we shall feast with all your saints in the joy of your eternal realm.

Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.

CANTOR: Surely your kindness and mercy follow me all the days of my life;
I will dwell in the house of my God forevermore.

LEADER: We now pray in the words your son taught us, saying...

**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. Amen.**

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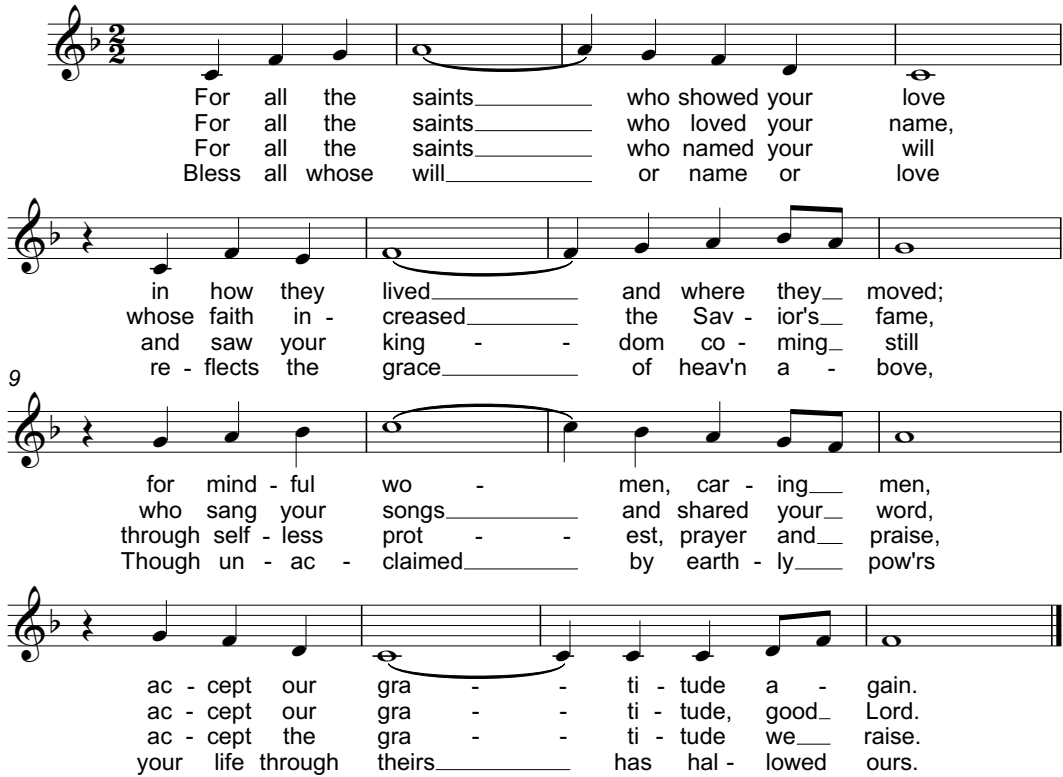
Words of Institution

Communion of the People

We take communion by the ancient practice of intinction. You are welcome to
come forward, receive a piece of the bread, dip it in the cup, and return to your seat.
The feast is ready.

Communion Hymn *For All the Saints Who Showed Your Love*

O WALY WALY



For all the saints who showed your love
 For all the saints who loved your name,
 For all the saints who named your will
 Bless all whose will or name or love
 in how they lived and where they moved;
 whose faith in - creased the Sav - ior's fame,
 and saw your king - dom co - ming still
 re - flects the grace of heav'n a - bove,
 for mind - ful wo - men, car - ing men,
 who sang your songs and shared your word,
 through self - less prot - est, prayer and praise,
 Though un - ac - claimed by earth - ly pow'rs
 ac - cept our gra - ti - tude a - gain.
 ac - cept our gra - ti - tude, good Lord.
 ac - cept the gra - ti - tude we raise.
 your life through theirs has hal - lowed ours.

Prayer after Communion

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

†HYMN NO. 326

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE

†SENDING AND BENEDICTION

†CHORAL BENEDICTION

Do, Lord!

Trad, arr. Aaron Price

POSTLUDE



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JOYS AND CONCERNS

Nancy Beaver recovering from nine days of hospitalization for reaction to medication

Wilma Leary at home recovering from surgery

Family and friends of Chuck Reiley who died on October 22

Chuck Sandy at the Health Care Center at Highland Farms

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, Curtis Davies, 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,

Callie Shaffer, Sandra Wilson, Kay Petty Young

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

Bus Driver Dave McClintock **Greeter** Perry Sprawls

Ushers Ellen McClintock, Scottie Cannon, Annamarie Arens, Margaret Fouse

Sunday, November 5

- 8:30 a.m. Directory Photos
- 8:45 a.m. FirstLight
- 9:45 a.m. Adult Faith Formation Classes
- 10:00 a.m. Family Worship
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 12:00 p.m. Discovery Class
- 12:30 p.m. Quest Class at St. James
- 2:00 p.m. Youth
- 2:00 p.m. Handbell Practice

Monday, November 6

- 1:00 p.m. Earth Care Book Study
- 2:15 p.m. Earth Care Team
- 5:00 p.m. Fellowship Night @ Grange

Tuesday, November 7

- PW Circles meet
- 1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 6:00 p.m. Women's AA Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Prophets Rehearsal

Wednesday, November 8

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

Thursday, November 9

- 1:30 p.m. Red Cross Blood Drive

Saturday, November 11

- 9:30 a.m. Bounty & Soul Yoga

Discovery Class

TODAY, November 5

12:00 noon

in the church house

Pastor Mary Katherine Robinson will lead this class which is for anyone interested in discovering more about the church. Attendees will hear from ministry team leaders, members of the church, take a tour, and have questions answered. Lunch and childcare will be provided. Attending this class does not mean you are expected to join as a member of BMPC. All are welcome no matter what your membership status is!

Fall Harvest Potluck

Sunday, November 12

5:30 p.m.

in fellowship hall

Bring a side dish and/or dessert to share. Turkey and ham will be provided. No special program, just a time for us all to come together in gratitude and thankfulness before Thanksgiving.



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