Sunday Worship

February 4, 2024 – 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. [†]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

This is the day the Lord has made!. Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

WELCOME

David Carter Florence

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

Bob Tuttle **†CALL TO WORSHIP** Leader: Behold, I stand at the door and knock. When our lives are going well, and we're finding our way. Men: Women: Behold, I stand at the door and knock. Leader: When I don't have work, and the money is tight. Men: Behold, I stand at the door and knock. Women: When the children are sick and I cannot feed them well. Leader: When I'm looking for safety from the gangs and lords. Men: When I've succeeded again and still feel empty. Women: Behold, I stand at the door and knock. All: When the table is full and food overflows. Behold. I stand at the door and knock. All: Leader: Let us worship God. **†HYMN NO. 509** All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly HOLY MANNA

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

For all our of work and accomplishments, we are thankful, O God.

We struggle and learn; we strive and still fall short; we are hopeful, O God.

Help us to remember that even as we aspire to be good,

The world will not be perfect, and there will always be need.

Wars continue; famine persists; the climate unravels.

Even when we're mourning, even when we're sick,

even when we are full of ourselves and miss the mark.

Guide us to your table, lift our eyes, and feed us,

For we are yours, even when we are lost.

As you gift us with your presence,

may we have eyes to see, ears to hear, and the sense to receive your mercy.

In the name of Jesus, the Christ, we pray.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

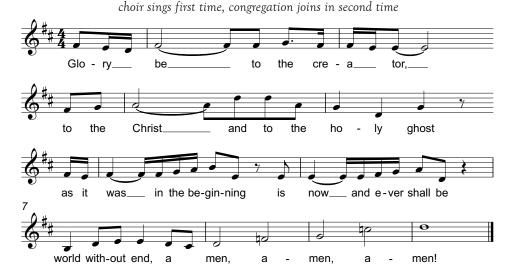
Friends, believe this good news.

In Jesus Christ we are transformed by grace.

†RESPONSE

New Gloria

GLORIA NOVUM



† 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 READINGS Isaiah 25:6-8, Luke 22:14-16

SERMON

Extending the Table

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CALL TO OFFERING

Musical Meditation

Now the Silence

C. Schalk, J. Vajda

Noah Hijleh, tenor

Now the silence, now the peace, now the empty hands uplifted; now the kneeling, now the plea, now the Father's arms in welcome;

Now the hearing, now the power, now the vessel brimmed for pouring; now the body, now the blood, now the joyful celebration;

Now the wedding, now the songs, now the heart forgiven leaping; now the Spirit's visitation, now the Son's epiphany, now the Father's blessing. Now. Now. Now.

† Doxology No. 609 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

LAAST UNS

† Prayer of Dedication

The Lord's Supper

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

May God be with you And also with you. Lift your hearts. We lift them up to God. Let us give thanks to the God we love. We freely give God thanks and praise.

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.

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Hymn No. 769

For Everyone Born

Choir sings stanzas, congregation sings refrains

And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace: yes God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!

Prayer after Communion

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

† HYMN NO. 702Christ Be Beside MeBUNESSAN† CHARGE AND BENEDICTIONGo Ye Now in PeaceJoyce EillersPOSTLUDEFORMULTIONFORMULTIONFORMULTION

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WORK AND WORSHIP OF THE CHURCH

Bus Mike Beaver Greeters Perry Sprawls

Ushers Margaret Fouse, Judy and Jack Williams, Cherie Lunsford

Sunday, February 4

9:45 a.m. Adult Faith Formation10:00 a.m. Family Worship11:00 a.m. Worship2:00 p.m. Handbells

Monday, February 5

1:30 p.m. Earth Care Book Group 2:15 p.m. Earth Care Team

Tuesday, February 6

Presbyterian Women Circles (see below) 1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting 6:00 p.m. Women's AA Meeting 7:00 p.m. Prophets

Wednesday, February 7

11:30 a.m. Old Fellers Lunch
3:30 p.m. RAD! Wednesdays
4:30 p.m. Deacons
5:00 p.m. Spaghetti Dinner
6:00 p.m. Lewis and Tolkien Class
6:30 p.m. Youth Group
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 8

6:00 p.m. Men's Group

Friday, February 9

5:00 p.m. Youth Group

Saturday, February 10

9:30 a.m. Yoga 10:30 a.m. Tai Chi

Rededication of Sanctuary

February 11, 2024

11:00AM



PW Circles Tuesday, February 6

Dorcas 10:00 a.m. Church House Esther 10:30 a.m. Ann Wiig, 247 Valley Ridge Lane Naomi 3:00 p.m. Church House Priscilla 10:00 a.m. Church House Ruth 1:30 p.m. HF Margaret room/Brookside bldg. Wednesday, February 7: Joy 6:30 p.m. CR2

Tuesday, February 13: Lydia 6:30 p.m. Church House

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Our hearts and prayers are with family and friends of Art De Jong who entered God's Church Triumphant on January 26. A memorial service will be planned for a later date.

Emily Beaver finished at Columbia in December. Graduation is in May. She is in the process of discernment in a call and is the director of family ministry at Trinity Presbyterian in Atlanta.

Dan Davis family following the death of his mother service on February 18 at 2:00 p.m. at Highland Farms

Betty Hill recovering at Highland Farms Healthcare

Dave Kadau's father, John, recovering from a broken hip at Highland Farms Healthcare

Cliff Schlegelmilch recovering from a bruised hip and broken wrist

Congratulations to Ellen and Stephen Smith on their new grandson Ian Phillips Cearly

George Thompson recovering from a broken fibula

Congratulations to **Cheryl Wilson** who received the 2024 John K. Abernathy Community Service Award, presented to her by Darrell Johnson, Black Mountain Rotary Club president

Mission Partners: John McCall in Taiwan; Dan & Elizabeth Turk in Madagascar;
Outreach Foundation: Frank Dimmock; This Child Here/Ukraine: Robert Gamble;
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:

Tom Cannon, Chad Carlton, Jane Collins, Curtis Davies, Jim Elam, Ellen Gibson, Kevin Griffin, Becky Hughes, Mary McElrath, NeGrete Family, Elissa Pusser, Margaret Rada, Betty Rand, Penny Sampson, Callie Shaffer, Sandra Wilson, Kay Petty Young

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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 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)

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Ministers: Every Member Of The Congregation

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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
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