

balmoral presbyterian church service of worship

February 4, 2018

The Season of Epiphany

11:00am

**asterisk invites you to please stand if you are able*

please turn your cell phones to silent

Choral Introit

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

HYMN TO JOY

Chiming the Hour

Bells of Balmoral

Prelude

*Call to Worship[‡]

Lorie Blackwelder

One: We gather to worship God, whose creative imagination never fails!

All: For the sake of God, we welcome the outcasts.

One: We gather to praise our God, whose steadfast love never falters!

All: For the sake of Jesus, we lift up all who have fallen.

One: We gather to offer our best to God, who walks with us through eternity!

All: For the sake of the Holy Spirit, we will walk with the weary.

*Hymn 327

“From All That Dwell Below the Skies”

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Confession

Rev. Carla Meisterman

All: God who loves us, You speak to us of compassion, but the ways in which we treat others show we do not listen. You explain Your hopes to us, and we act as if we don't have a clue as to what is going on. Never-weary God, take us by the hand to show us the way to abundant life with You. Heal our broken hearts so we can offer them to others. Fill us with Your strength so we can truly follow Jesus and be always ready to love and serve all of Your people.

Keep a generous silence, and listen to your life.

Assurance

Rev. Carla Meisterman

*Share the Peace of Christ

Lorie Blackwelder

*Congregational Chorus^{‡‡}

“Let There Be Peace on Earth”

Jill Jackson/Sy Miller

**Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me;
Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.**

With God our Creator we are family.

Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now;

With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow;

To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me!

bpc mission statement

We will respond to our call to share bread with the hungry,
befriend the marginalized,
and engage our minds, talents and treasures
toward building a community reflective of God's Kingdom.



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Announcements

Minute for Mission

“Heart Healthy Month”

Rev. Carla Meisterman
Congregational Care Team

Musical Offering

“They Shall Soar Like Eagles”

Laura Manzo

Prayer for Illumination

Lorie Blackwelder

Centering Silence...*Be still. Prepare yourself to hear the Word of God.*

Scriptures Isaiah 40:21-31 & Mark 1:29-39 Lorie Blackwelder & Rev. Carla Meisterman

Sermon

Rev. Carla Meisterman

Silent Reflection...*In the silence, attend to what the Spirit has given you.*

Hymn 793

“O Christ, the Healer”

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The Prayers of God’s People

Lorie Blackwelder

A Time for Offerings

Lorie Blackwelder

Please place tithes, offerings, and sign-up sheets in the brass plates. Children will collect quarters for the Walking Sticks to provide backpacks of emergency supplies to refugees. Place Pennies for Hunger in the glass jar near the sanctuary doors. Leave food in the Food Cart after worship.

Offertory

*Hymn 710

“We Lift Our Voices”

OFFERING

*Prayer to Dedicate the Gifts

Usher

Communion

Rev. Carla Meisterman, Lisa Koffman & Gordon Brigman

All are welcome to come forward to the tables when invited by the Ruling Elders. Take the bread and the cup, then remain at the table together for a silent prayer while the congregation prays for you. Return to your seat when your prayer together is ended.

*Hymn 744

“Arise, Your Light Is Come!”

FESTAL SONG

*Charge and Blessing

Rev. Carla Meisterman

*Benediction Hymn

“Lord, Let Us Leave Now”

Old English Tune

**Lord, let us leave now, filled with Thee anew,
and pledged to Thy service in all that we do.**

Though we have some questions, our faith in Thee is sure.

We know Thou art with us; Thy way will endure.

**Lord, let us leave now, filled with Thee anew,
and pledged to Thy service in all that we do.**

‡Call to Worship and Confession adapted from Shuman, Thom M., “Lectionary Liturgies,” Epiphany/Ordinary Time 5-B, (lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com/2015/02/liturgy-wcommunion-for-february-8-2015.html).

our worship has ended...our service begins...

announcements...

- **HEADSETS** for improved hearing are available in the sound booth at the window side of the sanctuary.
- **LENT** begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2018, with a Service of Imposition of Ashes from 6:45pm to 7:15pm in the sanctuary. This year we will be focusing on celebrating the Lenten Disciplines of Sabbath, Simplicity, Silence, Service, Study, and for Holy Week, the discipline of Submission. Begin to prayerfully consider what your Lenten discipline for 2018 will be.
- **SIGN UP** for the **Food Sort** at the Mid-South Food Bank on Thursday, Feb. 15, 2018. Meet in the church parking lot at 5:30pm, and enjoy dinner together after the sort.
- See **GLEND A ELLIS** if you can volunteer to help at the **Balmoral Elementary School Book Fair** February 7, 12-16 & 19, 2018. Shifts between 8am and 3:30pm are available.
- Please take the opportunity to **NOMINATE** three individuals to serve on the **SESSION CLASS OF 2021** on your sign-up sheet today. Nominations will be open through Sunday, February 18, 2018. Nominate a member to serve on each one of our committees as part of the Class of 2021. Please speak to the individuals you are nominating to get their permission before placing their names in nomination. Our 2018 Nominating Committee—Gordon Brigman (chair), Becky DeLoach, and Don Lamb—will discern, with all of you, the three people who are called to help lead our church.
- Invite family, neighbors, and friends to enjoy **ACOUSTIC EIDOLON’s** return engagement at BPC for their “Soul Music Concert” on Thursday, February 22, 2018, at 7:00pm in our sanctuary. You will not want to miss these exceptional musicians!! They will have their CDs for sale in the narthex.
- February is **HEART HEALTHY MONTH** at BPC. Save the date for our **POTLUCK** on Sunday, February 25, 2018, and bring a dish to serve 12. We will welcome registered dietitian Allison Bray as our featured speaker for the Potluck. She will give important tips on healthy eating. Watch for heart healthy recipes in the newsletter over the next month! Let’s learn to take care of our hearts together!!
- **BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** Pete Addicott (8), Jane Rousseau (10)

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