



SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2019

Blacksburg Presbyterian Church

Our Mission

Proclaiming God's Word

Growing in faith and understanding

Welcoming all

Extending comfort and grace

Working for justice and peace

Nurturing creation

Being generous stewards of God's gifts

Ministers - All Members

Interim Pastor – Dr. David Cozad

Director of Music, Organist – Steve Lawrence

Director of Children and Youth Ministries - Susan Hunter

Director of Communication and Church Life - Kendra Crabtree

Office Manager - Sherry Ingham

Custodian - Viola Howery

Campus Minister, UKirk Ministry at Virginia Tech – Rev. Kathy Carpenter

Mission Partner in Guatemala – CEDEPCA

Mission Partner in Malawi – Dr. Arie Glas

SERVICE OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY
SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2019

THOUGHT FOR MEDITATION

“There is a palpable energy when people say Yes. The word is crisp, sibilant. You can do a reluctant, lugubrious Yes if you try. But the essence of Yes has real power. The word No can also carry a lot of force. Sometimes the No side prevails in these Presbyterian votes. But there’s rarely much vigor to it. No doesn’t get you out of bed in the morning. No doesn’t offer a jolt of spiritual caffeine when your energy is flagging.”

–Mary Anne McKibben Dana

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dave Cozad and Kendra Crabtree

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you. ... *(All are encouraged to sign the Friendship Pad in the pews. If you are a first-time visitor and leave an address, we can welcome you more fully.)*

PRELUDE

Rondo from Sonatina Op. 36, No. 6
Joey Zobel, piano

MUZIO CLEMENTI

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Angela Anderson

Jesus says, you were not made for the Sabbath, but this Sabbath day is made for you!

We choose to gather on this Sabbath to worship, to pray, to share with one another.

Jesus asked, “Isn’t it lawful to do good on the Sabbath, to save life?”

We choose compassion and justice and healing. In this Sabbath time together, we choose *life!*

† HYMN No. 5

God the Sculptor of the Mountains

JENNINGS-HOUSTON

† PRAYER OF APPROACH

In life and in death, O Lord, we belong to you. This we know! This we feel. God of wondrous love, touch us again in this time. Stay with us, as we continue healing our memories and our lives.

CALL TO CONFESSION

God has always been there for us,

Loving us and calling us to be all that we can be.

Let us tell God about ourselves,

and not leave anything out.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ever loving, ever living God, you have given us life itself, and asked us to be life-giving in your name. For the things we have done that we regret, forgive us; for the things that we have failed to do, forgive us; for times we have acted without love, without thought, without care, forgive us. For failure to forgive, for hurtful words said and helpful words left unsaid, forgive us and help us lay down our burden of regret. ...

(A time of silent confession follows.) Through Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

† Please stand in body or in spirit.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

† GRATEFUL RESPONSE No. 815 v.1 *Give to the Winds Thy Fears*

FESTAL SONG

**Give to the winds thy fears; hope, and be undismayed.
God hears thy sighs and counts thy tears; God shall lift up thy head.**

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

The Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

(Worshippers may exchange signs of God's peace and children may come forward for a time of sharing faith together.)

HEARING THE WORD

SHARING FAITH WITH CHILDREN

(Children 1st grade age and up are invited to remain in the sanctuary. Parents may take kindergarten and younger children downstairs to God's Garden or the nursery for nurture and care.)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Luke 9:51-56

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Luke 9:57-62

SERMON *"Living Yes-ly"* Dr. David Cozad

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

† HYMN No. 726 *Will You Come and Follow Me*

KELVINGROVE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CELEBRATING GOD'S WORK IN THE WORLD

Beth Mattson

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES

OFFERTORY *Spirit of the Living God*
Kendra Crabtree, soloist

ASSAD & TWEENY
arr. DAN GALBRAITH

Oh, Spirit of the living God, Thou light and fire divine.
Descend upon Thy church once more and make it truly Thine.
Fill it with love and joy and power, with righteousness and peace.
'Till Christ shall dwell in human hearts and sin and sorrow cease.

Blow wind of God, with wisdom blow until our minds are free.
From mists of error, clouds of doubt, which blind our eyes to Thee.
Burn winged fire, inspire our lips with flaming love and zeal,
to preach to all Thy great good news: God's glorious commonweal.

So shall we know the power of Christ who came this world to save.
So shall we rise with Him to life which soars beyond the grave.
And earth shall win true holiness which makes Thy children whole.
Til perfected by Thee we reach creation's glorious goal.

† DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

† HYMN No. 738

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

MARYTON

† BENEDICTION

† POSTLUDE

Postlude in D minor

ERIC THIMAN

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS & OPPORTUNITIES
JUNE 30, 2019**

Welcome to all who gather for worship today. May each of us know something of God's grace and be moved toward deeper faith, sincere love, and service following Christ. No matter who you are, or what you are seeking, you are welcome here. **If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to explore all that happens in life and ministry in this church.**

HEADSETS for the HEARING IMPAIRED are available. Speak to an Usher or Gavin Faulkner to use them for the worship service.

We are grateful for Angela Anderson who is our Liturgist today.

Creation Care Thought:

Reasons why you might not be shopping at the Farmer’s Market for your produce, and why you should.

#1 The Farmer’s Market costs too much.

Fruits and vegetables **in season** may not be more expensive than those in the grocery. In fact, the produce you buy at the market may be organic, pesticide-free and herbicide-free without the grower having to incur the costs of becoming certified. All you have to do is ask the farmer who is standing right there in order to learn about the growing methods, and she or he might even invite you to visit the farm!

In addition, even if it does cost more than at the grocery, what is it worth to you to support the local economy, while eating food that is fresher (it might have been harvested today), tastier and healthier than that at the supermarket?

Summer Small Group: For six weeks through July 21 at 9:15 a.m. in Westminster Library.

The class is facilitated by Scott Smith, Jonathan Anderson, and others. A discipleship group will be starting in June. It will be a place for those in the group to learn each other’s life journeys, encourage each other, and reflect on how we are shaping our response to God’s call to discipleship. If you would like to participate, email Scott Smith at scottsmith4u@gmail.com or you can just show up! *If you would need childcare to participate, please let Scott Smith know.*

2019 Dates still available for Celebration Flowers: Aug. 4, 11, 25, Sept. 8, 15, 29, Oct. 6, 27 and Dec. 29. Please email Sherry at sherry@blacksburgpres.org if you are interested in sponsoring one of these dates. Arrangements are from Gates Flowers and are \$50.

SERVING TODAY

Church Opener:	Ben Corl	July: Jim Echols
Elder of the Week:	Today: Jama Hayes	Mon-Sunday: Deb Call
Prayer Room Today:	Deb Call	Next Sunday: Karen Watson and Bill Neely
Ushers:	Brent Opell, Dave and Jama Hayes, Phil Bailey	

THIS WEEK AT BPC - HCR-Hatcher Conference Room, WM-Westminster, FH-Fellowship Hall

- June 30 Adult Small Group meets at 9:15 a.m. –WM
Coffee Fellowship at 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.
- July 1 Library Organization meeting at 9:30 a.m. - WM
- July 2 Morningstars Bible Study at 7:30 a.m. – HCR
Quilters meet at 9:30 a.m. – FH
Prayer Group meets at 11:00 a.m. – Prayer Room. All are welcome!
- July 3 Staff meets at 9:30 a.m. – HCR
- July 4** *Church Office closed in observance of Fourth of July*
- July 7 Adult Small Group meets at 9:15 a.m. –WM
Coffee Fellowship at 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- July 10 Caring for the Community at 9:30 a.m. - HCR
July 14-20 Montreat Youth Conference
July 17 PJGM meets at 6:00 p.m. – HCR
July 21 BPC’s Cents-Ability Collection in worship
Art Forum with Garrett Knobl and Quin Spencer following worship - WM
July 22 KnitWits gather at 1:00 p.m. – WM
- August 4 Presentation by Scott Smith on South Sudan in Hatcher Conference Room
following worship
Aug. 17 Peaks Presbytery Meeting, Lynchburg
Aug. 18 Les Morgan preaching at BPC
Bangladesh Presentation with Lunch following worship-FH
Aug. 24 Elder Training
Aug. 25 Rally Day – 9:00 a.m.- Kick-off Sunday School
Installation/Ordination of Elders in worship
Session meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Three-year Endowment Award Proposals

The BPC Endowment Committee is responsible for managing Blacksburg Presbyterian Church's endowment by overseeing its investments and establishing policies about how the resulting interest income should be spent each year. In conjunction with the Endowment Committee, a separate Manna Team is convened each spring to represent the congregation in discerning how to distribute the current year's available endowment income. The Manna Team allocates some funds to existing ministry partners on an annual basis, in order to provide support for initiatives that have traditionally been important to BPC. Most of the available funds, however, are allocated to funding new three-year projects, for which groups of congregational members and the organizations for whom the funds are intended may submit proposals. These three-year projects are intended to reflect the original intent and philosophy of the General Endowment – to support significant new longer-term efforts that seek to share Christ's love with the broader community around us.

Previous recipients of three-year grants include *BPC's Malawi Committee*, to support tuition and fees for OB/GYN student Griffin Sombani, *Access to Community College Education (ACCE) in Montgomery County*, to help make community college education affordable for students in our area, and *Sojourn Center*, to provide support for a fund-raising campaign to build a hospice house on recently donated land near Warm Hearth.

Chris Zobel, the Chair of the Endowment Committee (endowment@blacksburgpres.org), will be very glad to answer any questions about this year's proposal requirements or about the review process. Three-year Endowment Award proposal guidelines can be found in the Welcome Window in the Gathering Space. **Proposals are due TODAY, June 30th.**

Today' s Scripture Readings

Luke 9:51-56 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

A Samaritan Village Refuses to Receive Jesus

⁵¹ When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵² And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³ but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴ When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?"^[a] ⁵⁵ But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶ Then^[b] they went on to another village.

Footnotes:

- a. Luke 9:54 Other ancient authorities add *as Elijah did*
- b. Luke 9:56 Other ancient authorities read *rebuked them, and said, "You do not know what spirit you are of, ⁵⁶ for the Son of Man has not come to destroy the lives of human beings but to save them."* Then

Luke 9:57-62 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

Would-Be Followers of Jesus

⁵⁷ As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." ⁵⁸ And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." ⁵⁹ To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." ⁶⁰ But Jesus^[a] said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." ⁶¹ Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." ⁶² Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

Footnotes:

- a. Luke 9:60 Gk *he*

