

Buchanan First Presbyterian Church
Grundy, Virginia

November 25, 2018

11:00 am

The Service for the Lord's Day
Christ the King Sunday

Voluntary

Jessica Bailey, Piano

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Brad Napier, Pastor

Call to Worship (Responsive) -*Adapted from Psalm 93*

Jeff Chalfa, Liturgist

The Lord Almighty reigns in majesty most bright, appareled in omnipotence, and girded round with might.

The world established stands on its foundations broad; your throne is fixed, you reign supreme, the everlasting God.

The seas have lifted up their voice in majesty, but God on high, supreme in might, is greater than the sea.

Your testimonies, Lord, in faithfulness excel, and holy must your servants be who in your temple dwell.

Let us worship Christ, the King.

***Hymn #267** - Come, Christians Join to Sing

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

And now Lord, I confess specifically.....(silent prayers)

Assurance of Pardon (Responsive)

Jesus, Lamb of God,

Have mercy on us.

Jesus, Bearer of our sins,

Have mercy on us.

Jesus, Redeemer of the world,

Grant us peace.

I declare to you, in the name of Jesus the Christ, God has heard our confession, and forgiven our sins.

Thanks be God! Amen!

The Peace

The Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Children's time

Pastor Brad

Special Music

"You Are My All in All"

Jessica Bailey

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer (*See the church prayer list*)

The New Testament Lesson:

Revelation 1:4b-8

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel:

Mark 1:14-15 and 35-39

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ.

The Sermon:

"The Message and the Messengers"

Pastor Brad Napier

"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messengers who announce peace, who brings good news, who announce salvation, who says,

"Your God reigns." -Isaiah 52:7

The Affirmation of Faith (Unison) - *The Larger Catechism, BOC, 7.155*

Q. 45. How doth Christ execute the office of a king?

A. **Christ executes the office of a king, in calling out of the world a people to himself; and giving them officers, laws, and censures, by which he visibly governs them; in bestowing saving grace upon his elect, rewarding their obedience, and correcting them for their sins, preserving and supporting them under all their temptations and sufferings; restraining and overcoming all their enemies, and powerfully ordering all this for his own glory, and their good; and also in taking vengeance on the rest, who know not God, and obey not the gospel. AMEN.**

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Doxology #606 - Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow

Prayer of Dedication

***Hymn #263 - All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!**

Benediction and Blessing

Pastor Brad Napier

“Lord, you have put gladness in our hearts, you have satisfied our hunger with good things. In giving all, you have not withheld from us your own dear Son, your very self: how can we withhold anything from you, our Lord and our God? Renew us day by day with the gift of your Spirit, that we may give ourselves completely to your service, and walk with joy in the footsteps of Jesus Christ our Lord.” AMEN.

- Church of Scotland

*Please give generously to the ministry
and mission of Buchanan First
“Think with the mind of Christ;
Love with the heart of Christ;
Serve with the hands of Christ.”*

We welcome guests and visitors to our worship service today. We hope you are blessed as we worship the Lord God together.

As the Christmas season is nearly here, we would like to remind everyone that we will be taking the Christmas Joy Offering this year. Fifty percent of the gifts to Christmas Joy provide assistance for current and retired church workers and their families with critical financial need. The remaining 50% of the Christmas Joy make it possible for students to learn and grow in faith at Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color. Special offering envelopes will be provided.

The Week Ahead:

Today: Pizza is available after lunch and Jessica will enjoy opening shower gifts. Then help will be needed in putting up the church Christmas trees and decorating for Advent-Christmas.

Pastor Napier leaves for three days of vacation before the Advent season.

Tuesday: Giving Tuesday. Give a gift to the charity of your choice.

Wednesday: Lydia Circle, 10:30 am

No mid-week Holy Communion.

No Church School at Vansant.

Pastor Napier returns in the evening

Thursday: Meeting of the Church Development Committee in Abingdon.

Saturday: DECEMBER 1

Sunday, DECEMBER 2: THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - HOLY COMMUNION SERVED DURING WORSHIP

Dr. Phillip Westgate, from the University of Pikeville, will present a Christmas Organ Recital in our Sanctuary at 3:00 pm. Finger desserts are needed; please bring those to the concert or leave them in the kitchen that morning.

Wednesday, December 5: PW monthly business meeting at 11:30 am. ALL women of Buchanan First are encouraged to attend.

Upcoming....

Sunday, December 16: Quarterly fellowship dinner following worship. Hostesses are Sandy Dailey and Judy Osborne, co-chairs, along with Jackie Helms, Diana Holland, Janie Owens, Sheilah Powers, Shonna Powers and Doris Lee Stiltner.

The Presbyterian Women will have their annual **Christmas Brunch and ornament exchange** in December. The date and time will be announced later. On that day, shut-in baskets will be prepared. We have 8 on the list. If you know of someone, please check with Connie Bausell to be sure they have been included.

Tuesday, December 11: Stated Meeting of the Session, 5:00 pm.

Thursday, December 13: Red Hat Christmas Party, Fellowship Hall, Noon

Sunday, December 23: FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT - CHRISTMAS SUNDAY

Monday, December 24: Christmas Eve

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 7:00 pm. Holy Communion will be served.

Tuesday, December 25: NATIVITY OF THE LORD - CHRISTMAS DAY

Pastor Napier leaves for vacation.

Sunday, December 30: First Sunday after Christmas Day. There will be a guest minister preaching.

Tuesday, January 1, 2019: NEW YEARS' DAY

Wednesday, January 2: Pastor Napier will be back in the office.

Buchanan First will be purchasing poinsettias to be placed in the sanctuary December 16 - 25. They will be \$10.00 each. Anyone wishing to purchase a poinsettia in honor of, or in memory of someone, should let Charlotte know by December 1. Please earmark your check "poinsettia".

Birthdays, November 25 - December 1:

Nov. 29 - Tiffany Myers; **Nov. 30** - Frances Belcher, Kaye Keen;

Dec. 1 - Brayden Keen

Anniversaries, November 25 - December 1:

Dec. 1 - Jim and Banna Bevins

Buchanan First now has on-line giving on our church website. You may give using a debit card, credit card, from your checking account or your savings account. This is a convenient, secure giving option in partnership with the Presbyterian Foundation. Other churches in our Presbytery use on-line giving. You may set up one-time gifts, or set up regular, on-going gifts. Go to the church's web-site and click on the "Support Our Work" button at the bottom of each page on the web-site. If you have any questions, please speak to Pastor Napier.

For Our Prayer and Care

Beth Bevins	Karen Mullins
Geraldine & Acie Blankenship	Valerie Mullins
Waylon Cash Blankenship	Ruth Muncy
Bucky Blankenship	Sean Murphy
Gary Boyd	Dixie Napier
Stella Boyd	Bettie Prater
Scotty & Michelle Bostic & family	Ann Perkins
Peggy Caparratto	Mattie Rasnake
David Cecil	Marsha Robinsin
Randy Cole	Lois Shanahan
Ron & Sandy Cole	Larry Shelton
Charlotte Daniels	Kate Silva
Delphine Deel	Justin Smith
Ricky Deel	Ronnie Smith
Vontilla Deel (liver cancer)	Tom Smith
Isabella Fugate	George Stokes
Teresa Fletcher	Buford Stacy
Ethel Hale	Edd Talbott, Jr.
Jackie Helms	Jim Talbott
Jessie Hunt	LeeAnn VanMeter
Barbara Ann Keen	Charlie Wolford
Mack & Kaye Keen	Mike Wolford
Dewey Kiser	Pastor Brad & Kim Napier
Ellee Rose Large	
Brenda Lester-Sprinkle	
Dalton Lester	
Betty Looney	
Josephine Matney	
Kyle & Sue McClanahan	

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