

**1 Fight the good fight with all thy might;  
Christ is thy strength and Christ thy right.  
Lay hold on life, and it shall be thy joy and crown eternally.**

**2 Run the straight race through God's good grace;  
lift up thine eyes, and seek Christ's face.  
Life with its way before us lies; Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.**

**3 Cast care aside; lean on thy guide.  
God's boundless mercy will provide.  
Trust, and thy trusting soul shall prove Christ is its life, and Christ its love.**

## BENEDICTION

**Set-up for the drive-in service requires many hands.** If you would like to be on a rotating team, please call the office at 828-898-5406. Your assistance will be greatly appreciated!

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WELCOME

Welcome, Visitors! We are pleased you have chosen to be with us today and pray this time of worship will be a blessing to you. BEPC is a PCUSA congregation filled with people of many different backgrounds. Whatever your tradition, we invite you to participate in the activities of the congregation while you are here.

If you want to know more about Banner Elk Presbyterian Church, the Presbyterian denomination or membership, see an Elder or the Pastor. We would welcome you as a member by Baptism, Reaffirmation of Faith, or Transfer from another church. If you are in town for only part of the year, you might consider Affiliate Membership. We would love to have you as a part of our loving church family!

**Banner Elk Presbyterian Church**

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***Service for the Lord's Day***

August 9, 2020

10th Sunday after Pentecost

Ten O'clock

*We Gather Before the Word*

GATHERING MUSIC

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*Jesus Loves Me*

Bradbury/Olstad

Eric Hillestad, saxophone

CALL TO WORSHIP

PSALM 17 ADAPTED

Leader: Come and worship God in joy!

**People: The house of the Lord will be a house of prayer for all peoples.**

Leader: How good it is to live in unity.

**People: This is the blessing of the Lord: life forevermore.****All: Let us worship God!**

Hymn 664

*Morning Has Broken*

BUNESSAN

**1 Morning has broken like the first morning,  
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!**

**2 Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from Heaven,  
like the first dewfall on the first grass.  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,  
sprung in completeness where his feet pass.**

**3 Mine is the sunlight, Mine is the morning,  
born of the one light Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation, praise every morning,  
God's re-creation of the new day!**

CONFESSION OF SIN (PRAYING IN UNISON)

**Holy God,  
we confess we have not been obedient  
to your will for us.  
We have sought justice for ourselves  
but neglected justice for others.  
We have insisted on our rights  
but have not lived rightly in our relationships.  
We have desired mercy for our sins,  
but we have not offered mercy to those  
who have sinned against us.  
By the power of your Holy Spirit  
free us from the prison of our disobedience.  
Help us to love as you have loved us  
that our lives may testify to your abounding grace  
though Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*(A moment of silent, personal confession.)*

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

ROMANS 11: 29

Leader: Friends, the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable.

Receive the gift of forgiveness and share that gift with others.

**People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, made whole,  
and set free to live a new life in him. Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM

*Ash Grove Medley*  
Eric Hillestad, saxophone

Arr. Albrecht

### ***We Engage the Word***

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

GENESIS 25: 19-28; 27: 1-29, 41-28: 2

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

SERIES

*Who Are Your People?*

SERMON

*Rebekah: Steel Redbud*

REV GUESS

### ***We Respond to the Word***

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and  
in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the  
Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he  
rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the  
right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to  
judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy  
catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the  
resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*At the end of each petition, the response will be:*

**“Loving God, hear our prayer. . . .”**

**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.**