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## WELCOME GUESTS!

We would like to welcome all our guests who are joining us for worship today, both in-person and online! We are so glad you are here. If you have any questions about the HPC Family, please make a note in the friendship pad, online on the comment bar, message us through Facebook, or email the office. Thank you for joining us today! We hope you will have an encounter with the Living God and join us again in worship.

## WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

We are One Church with two distinct styles of worship:  
Contemporary Worship Service at 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall  
Traditional Worship Service at 11:00 am in the Sanctuary

## CHILDRENS MINISTRY:

Our Children's Ministry meets each Sunday morning at 11:00 am. in the Rec Room in the Children's Ministry wing of the Church. This is a fun-filled time of singing, study, and fun application at an age-appropriate level. If you would like to receive more information, please contact the Church Office – 828-692-3211

## YOUTH MINISTRY:

6th-12th grade youth meet each Sunday at 6:30PM in the upstairs youth rooms for food, fun, and fellowship. If you have questions or would like to know more about the youth group, text or call Pastor Charles at 540-679-0588, or email him at [ckreed@hendersonvillepc.org](mailto:ckreed@hendersonvillepc.org).

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PASTOR: Rev. Rob McClelland  
ASSISTANT PASTOR: Rev. Charles Reed  
INTERIM WORSHIP DIRECTOR: Tom Drick  
CONTEMPORARY MUSIC LEADERS: Lisa Burns and Andrew Morris  
DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRY- Stacy McClelland  
DIRECTOR OF CREATIVE BEGINNINGS: Katrina Bowen  
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Office Hours:  
Monday – Wednesday 9 am – 4 pm  
Thursday 9 am – Noon  
Friday - Closed

## Welcome to Hendersonville Presbyterian Church!

Where we Follow Jesus as we  
Reach, Teach, Pray, and Love!



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# Hendersonville Presbyterian Church

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
Traditional Service 11:00 am  
September 17, 2023

PRELUDE *Voluntary* Selected

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS  
MINUTE FOR MISSION Black Mountain Home for Children

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 98:1-5 (selected)  
Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things; his right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him. The Lord has made his salvation known and revealed his righteousness to the nations...Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth; burst into jubilant song with music; make music to the Lord...

\*OPENING HYMNS: *Wonderful Grace of Jesus*  
*When Morning Gilds the Skies*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Liturgist: John Van Wagoner  
**Merciful God, forgive us that we are not responding to the opportunities you give us to bless others in our lives. We have been a people who keep silent when a word or a relationship is needed. In your Word you call disciples to be "fishers of men", but we choose to sit and watch other people fish, not taking seriously the call on our lives. Forgive us, bless us, encourage us, empower us. Make us bold disciples who graciously and authentically share the Good News of Jesus Christ with others in our words and our actions.**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
...Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.  
**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!**

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE (greet those worshipping with you)

\*HYMN #640: *My Tribute*

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION, THANKSGIVING, AND THE LORD'S 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.**

SCRIPTURE READINGS: **Acts 1: 6-8**

SERMON: **What Kind of Witness Will You Be?** Pastor Rob

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER:  
*You may place your offering in the plates at the front of the sanctuary or in the box at the back of the sanctuary. You can also send God's tithes and your offerings to the Church office or give online through the Hendersonville Presbyterian Church webpage.*

\*HYMN #334: *Breath on Me, Breath of God* stanzas 1 & 2

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE *Reprise* Goodness

The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Loved Ones  
by Jane Waddell.

Do you have a heavy heart today? Are you carrying a burden? A Stephen Minister is available today after the 11:00 service in the Parlor (behind the Sanctuary) for a confidential visit and prayer with you.

*\*Those who are able, please stand.*

**Sermon Notes:**

**What Kind of Witness Will You Be?**

I. **Review**

When did this happen?

Author:

Audience:

Subject:

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II. **Building the Kingdom of God**

\_\_\_\_\_ is the Primary Task of the Church.

Luke tells us that the disciples missed it!

They asked if Jesus would “Restore” the Kingdom.

God does his best work with groups of Christians with incredible \_\_\_\_\_.

God is more interested in our \_\_\_\_\_ than our \_\_\_\_\_!

III. **Great Commission (The last one!)**

“You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

Concentric Circles:

What kind of Witness will you be?

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**Pray for our Missionaries!**

Chris Matthews asks this week for prayer support for a ministry for youth in a Guatemalan city with a specific need for new missionaries. This could lead to a contemporary evangelism TV studio. Also needing prayer is Sevilla Theological Seminary’s fall semester which impacts students around the Spanish-speaking world. Please pray for the Liebenzell Mission fest’s impact on the many visitors. Also needing prayer are the preaching services at the Sevilla prison. Chris needs prayer cover as he meets with representatives of a ministry to the blind seeking to send pin drives of audio Bibles to Cuba and Venezuela.



**Sunday Children’s Hour is getting Revamped!**  
**Beginning: Sunday, Oct 1<sup>st</sup>**

Everyone is invited to get involved as we seek to be intergenerational in our approach to ministry! Contact Stacy today if interested in being a part of any of these teams: Welcome, Snacks, Teaching, Music, or Games. Volunteering commitment will be just ONCE a month.

Training will be Sunday, Sept 24th from 4:30-5:30 pm in Fellowship Hall!  
Sign up in Fellowship Hall (or talk to Stacy) if interested!  
828-692-3211, ext. 106 dcm@hendersonvillepc.org

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**Clothes Drive for Black Mountain Home for Children**

HPC will be collecting clothing donations for Black Mountain Home for Children from Sunday, September 17 through Thursday morning, September 21<sup>st</sup>, in the church lobby, with a focus on clothing in good condition that can be used by children or clothing and items that can be sold in their resale store. Large or fragile items that will be difficult to transport (e.g., furniture, plates) would be better served for the Church Bazaar and sale.

On October 14, Black Mountain Home will have a Centennial Celebration Concert at their property featuring Willie and Korie Robertson with music by Shane & Shane. For more information, please visit [blackmountainhome.org](http://blackmountainhome.org).

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**Bluegrass Bash**

The Bluegrass Bash will be held tonight at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. This month’s Bash will feature Lynn Goldsmith & The Jeter Mountain Band. Please invite your family and friends to come out and enjoy a night of Free Ice Cream, Christian Fellowship and Great Christian Bluegrass Music!

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**Gayle Stepp’s Retirement Celebration – September 24, 2023**

We have scheduled a celebration of retirement for Gayle Stepp on Sunday, September 24 during and after the 11:00 service. We would like to invite each of you to bring a card and gift, if you so desire, and place them in a basket in the Fellowship Hall to say thank you to Gayle for 42 wonderful years of ministry.

## Opening Hymns:

### Wonderful Grace of Jesus

Wonderful grace of Jesus, greater than all my sin;  
How shall my tongue describe it, where shall its praise begin?  
Taking away my burden, setting my spirit free;  
For the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me.  
Wonderful the matchless grace of Jesus, deeper than the mighty rolling sea;  
Higher than the mountain, sparkling like a fountain,  
all sufficient grace for even me, for even me;  
Broader than the scope of my transgressions, greater far than all my sin and shame;  
O magnify the precious name of Jesus, praise His name!

Wonderful grace of Jesus, reaching a mighty host,  
By it I have been pardoned, saved to the utter most,  
Chains have been torn asunder, giving me liberty;  
For the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me.  
Wonderful the matchless grace of Jesus, deeper than the mighty rolling sea;  
Higher than the mountain, sparkling like a fountain,  
all sufficient grace for even me, for even me;  
Broader than the scope of my transgressions, greater far than all my sin and shame;  
O magnify the precious name of Jesus, praise His name!

Wonderful grace of Jesus, reaching the most defiled,  
By its transforming power, making him God's dear child,  
Purchasing peace and heaven, for all eternity;  
And the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me.  
Wonderful the matchless grace of Jesus, deeper than the mighty rolling sea;  
Higher than the mountain, sparkling like a fountain,  
all sufficient grace for even me, for even me;  
Broader than the scope of my transgressions, greater far than all my sin and shame;  
O magnify the precious name of Jesus, praise His name!

## When Morning Guilds the Skies

When morning guilds the skies, my heart awakening cries; May Jesus Christ be praised.  
Alike at work and prayer to Jesus I repair: May Jesus Christ be praised.

Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine: May Jesus Christ be praised.  
Be this the 'eternal song, through all the ages on: May Jesus Christ be praised.

### My Tribute

How can I say thanks for the things you have done for me?  
Things so undeserved, yet you gave to prove your love for me;  
The voices of a million angels could not express my gratitude.  
All that I am, and ever hope to be, I owe it all to thee.

To God be the glory, to God be the glory, to God be the glory for the things He has done.  
With his blood he has saved me; with his pow'r he has raised me;  
To God be the glory for the things he has done.

Just let me live my life – let it be pleasing, Lord, to thee;  
And if I gain any praise, let it go to Calvary.  
With his blood he has saved me; with his pow'r he has raised me;  
To God be the glory for the things he has done.

### Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew,  
That I may love what Thou dost love, and do what Thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure,  
Until my will is one with Thine, to do and to endure.