

# Welcome!

**We are grateful that you joined us today.** Please join us downstairs after worship for fellowship and refreshments hosted by our Patience Hospitality Group. **If you have children with you**, we have options! Our nursery is open throughout the service; Children's Church is for 3-5 year olds, and up to 3rd grade. Children leave during Passing of the Peace and return during the Communion Hymn.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**REFRESHMENTS NEXT SUNDAY:** Kindness Hospitality Group.. Contact Teresa Taylor 828-504-0234. **FINANCIAL HELP STILL AVAILABLE:** If you know someone impacted by Helene who would benefit from financial help, reach out to Mike Brown at (828) 898-3079. **BIBLE STUDIES:** Women's 8:15 a.m. on Wednesdays and Men's 8:15 a.m. on Thursdays. Enter the back of the church. Email the church at [arbordalechurch@gmail.com](mailto:arbordalechurch@gmail.com) to be added to the Bible Study list for info about the upcoming study and you can also indicate if you'd like to receive our weekly email. **OFFERINGS:** The offering is not taken up during the service. There are offering plates in the Narthex, on the lower shelf of the Altar and as you exit the Sanctuary to go downstairs, and a link on the website to donate on-line. **ELDER ON CALL FOR JUNE:** Jackie Kirkland 828-773-4204



**Sarah Elizabeth Vann** graduated from Appalachian State University with a bachelors of arts in studio art and a minor in music. After graduation, Sarah will continue to use her talents as a touring musician. When she is not on tour, Sarah will be painting, framing, and selling her art. Connect with Sarah at 655 White Hawk Lane Banner Elk, NC 28604

Congrats Sarah!

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## "God's Grandeur"

by Gerard Manley Hopkins

*The world is charged with the grandeur of God.  
It will flame out, like shining from shook foil;  
It gathers to a greatness, like the ooze of oil  
Crushed. Why do men then now not reck his rod?  
Generations have trod, have trod, have trod;  
And all is seared with trade;  
bleared, smeared with toil;  
And wears man's smudge and shares man's smell:  
the soil is bare now, nor can foot feel, being shod.  
And for all this, nature is never spent;  
There lives the dearest freshness deep down things;  
And though the last lights off the black West went  
Oh, morning, at the brown brink eastward, springs –  
Because the Holy Ghost over the bent  
World broods with warm breast and with ah!  
bright wings*

## PRAYER OF PREPARATION

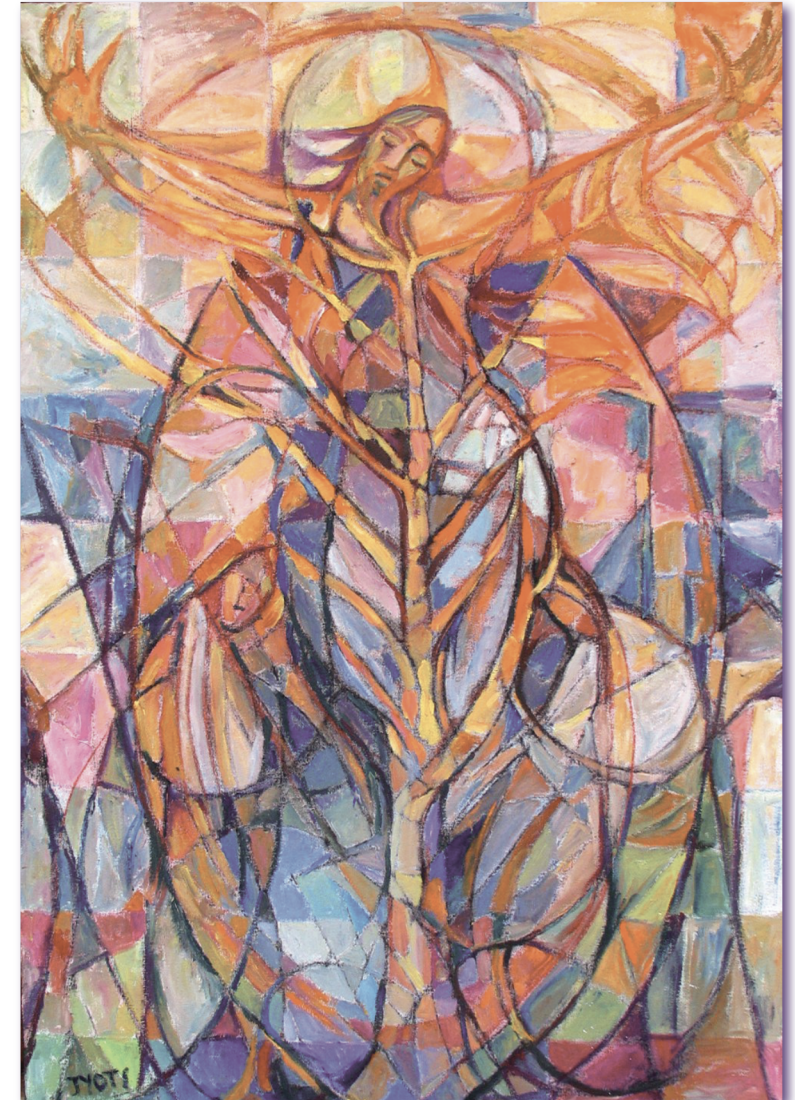
*O loving God, to turn away from you is to fall,  
to turn toward you is to rise,  
and to stand before you is to abide forever.  
Grant us, dear God, in all our duties your help;  
in all our uncertainties your guidance; in all our  
dangers your protection; and in all our sorrows  
your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

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Service for the Lord's Day

June 15, 2025

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Jyoti Sahi (Indian, 1944–), Resurrection, 2007



\* Congregation Stands

GREETING

Leader: The Lord be with you.  
All: And also with you.

PRELUDE Doxology (Romans 11)  
Andrew Peterson

\* CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 104

\* HYMN of PRAISE #3 Holy Holy Holy

CALL TO CONFESSION

Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for me. If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened. But truly God has listened; he has given heed to the words of my prayer. Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me. In the strength of this assurance, let us confess our sins to God. ~based on Psalm 66:16, 18-20, NRSV

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation

and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

~ based on Psalm 51:10-12

\* Assurance of Pardon:

You did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ. ~Romans 8:15-17, NRSV

\* PASSING THE PEACE

\* DOXOLOGY

\* CONFESSION OF FAITH Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church\*\*, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

\* PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Leader: Lord in your Mercy  
People: Hear our prayer

\* HYMN OF PREPARATION Speak Oh Lord  
(See insert)

SCRIPTURE AND SERMON Proverbs 1:7  
"The Wisest Attitude of All" —Rick Breusch

\* COMMUNION HYMN The Lord's Prayer  
(See insert)

\* CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: Therefore, we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name.

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes In the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

\* HYMN OF SENDING #33 Immortal, Invisible,  
God Only Wise

\* BENEDICTION

\*\* Although word "catholic" often refers to the Roman Catholic Church, we refer to the "holy catholic church" as the one, universal church that spans across all of time and space, cultures and denominations.

"Christian Myster" written by Brian Fowler, Keith Getty, Kristen Getty, L...