

WORSHIP LEADERS for TODAY ~ February 23

9 AM ~ Greeter: Vicki Waldrop

Host/Hostess: Janet Indihar

Worship Leader: Don Barnhart

Power Point: Dennis McMahan

11 AM ~ Usher: Hartwell Lutz

Worship Leader: Pastor

Readers: Mike Feehan

David Lilly

For this coming week ~ February

Care Center Pick Up: Ann Sublett

WAVE Team: Merrie Duncan

Worship leader schedules are available at

www.bigcovechurch.org.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Members: Mary Burnette, Mike Feehan, Whitney Smith, Brenda Copeland, Amanda Vernon, Wayne Deaton, Sandy Young

Friends & Relatives: Houston Hodges

The Church: Rev. Paige McRight, Interim Executive
Presbyter

Military & International: All those serving in the armed
forces.

For our Nation: President Obama and our representatives.

For Big Cove Missions & Ministries: New Hope Children's
Clinic; The CARE Center; Kairos Prison Ministry; The
Presbyterian Home for Children; The Vine Pastoral Counseling
Center

Happy Birthday this week!

Neva Beasley on the 24th

Peggy McMahan on the 24th

Renay Nunn on the 25th

Pat Burke on the 26th

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome Rev. Mark Howard, President of the Presbyterian Home for Children, to worship and Christian Exploration this morning!

SNY will meet tonight 5:30-7.

The Big Cove Session meets Tues, Feb 25, at 6 PM. Any concerns or questions about the church may be addressed to the pastor, the elders, or the clerk of session, Neva Beasley.

Immersion Bible study will meet Wed Feb 26 from 6-7, with a fellowship and **bring your own sack supper** time at 5:30. We will begin a 10-week study of Esther and Ruth.

Lent is around the corner. Our Taizé Ash Wednesday Worship will be held March 5 at 6:30 PM.

A six-week Lenten study on de-cluttering our spiritual lives will begin on March 12 at 6 PM. Pastor Rosemary will be leading this study.

Christmas Bazaar Chair Needed! See the pastor, Jeff Irons, or Sally Harris for more information.

The Big Cove Choir rehearses each Wednesday evening from 7-8 PM. Interested in joining? Please see Carla Feehan, Choir Director.

**WELCOME TO BIG COVE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)**



February 23, 2014

“First Light” Worship – Sundays at 9 AM

Guitarist: John Isom

Pianist: Dixie Elrod

Percussionist: Jimmy Jones

Traditional Worship – Sundays at 11 AM

Music Director: Carla Feehan

Pianist: Jo Stroud

Pastors: Rev. Rosemary McMahan & Rev. Houston Hodges

Nursery Available

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9 AM ~ FIRST LIGHT CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Called by God, We Gather

Call to Worship ~ Ringing of the Bell

Song of Worship: How Great is Our God

Greeting: Welcoming Christ Among Us

Song to Prepare for Message: Change My Heart, Oh God

Spoken to by God, We Listen

I John 4:7-12
John 3:16-21

The Message "God Loves You So Much"
Rev Mark Howard

Believing in God, We Respond

Praise Reports and Prayer Requests
Announcements

Celebrating Our Blessings

Offertory Offering

Blessed by God, We Give Thanks:

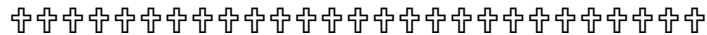
Communion Song: Sanctuary
Celebration of the Lord's Supper

(Silent Reflection)

Sent by God, We Go Out

Sending Song: That Where I Am

Blessing and Sending



11 AM ~ TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Preparing for Worship

The prelude marks the beginning of worship and is observed in silence.

Prelude *Prelude in Classic Style* Gordon Young

Called by God, We Gather

One: We are called to be the children of light.

All: We come to worship to be renewed in our faith that our light might ever shine.

One: The light of Christ is found in all that is good and right and true.

All: We gather for worship that we might strengthen ourselves to do what is good and right and true in Christ.

One: We come to worship to celebrate and give thanks to God.

All: Let us lift our voices in praise!

Song of Worship: O, How I Love Jesus 109

Confession and Pardon

One: Reminded again and again in scripture that God is love, we can bravely examine our hearts this morning and confess the ways we have not returned that love. (Pause for silent confession).
Together, we pray:

All: Eternal God, we confess that we have praised you with our lips but have not glorified you with our lives. Have mercy on us, we pray, for our brief faith that fades under pressure, for our quick enthusiasms that just as quickly die, for the hopes we proclaim but do not pursue. Forgive us, Lord God, and give us new trust in your power that we may live for justice and tell of your loving kindness by our acts as by our words; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

One: We, who do not know all there is to know about God, do know this: through Jesus Christ, he loves us, forgives us, and acts to save us.

All: Thanks be to God!

Greeting: Welcoming Christ Among Us

Spoken to by God, We Listen

Anthem *Down to the River to Pray* Arr. Sheldon Curry

Old Testament Psalm 118:1-4, 24-29 436

Epistle I John 4:7-12 863-864

Song of Reflection: Oh How He Loves You and Me 270

Gospel John 3:16-21 752

Sermon: "God Loves You So Much"
Rev. Mark Howard

Believing in God, We Respond

The People's Prayers
Announcements

Celebrating Our Blessings

Offertory *Prelude in E* Alexander Scriabin

Doxology 34
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)
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, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Sent by God, We Go Out

Song of Sending: They'll Know We Are Christians 595

Blessing and Sending

The flowers are offered to the glory of God and in celebration of Neva's birthday by Michael Beasley.