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PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

[If you have a prayer concern or joy to share during the week, please email Rev. Ellen at ellen@bethpagechurch.org.]

April 21
Joys: Worship team/staff (Rev. Ellen), Aubrey (Jill), Beauty of today (Sterling)
Concerns: Sri Lankans (Sterling), Sri Lanka Christians (Roger)

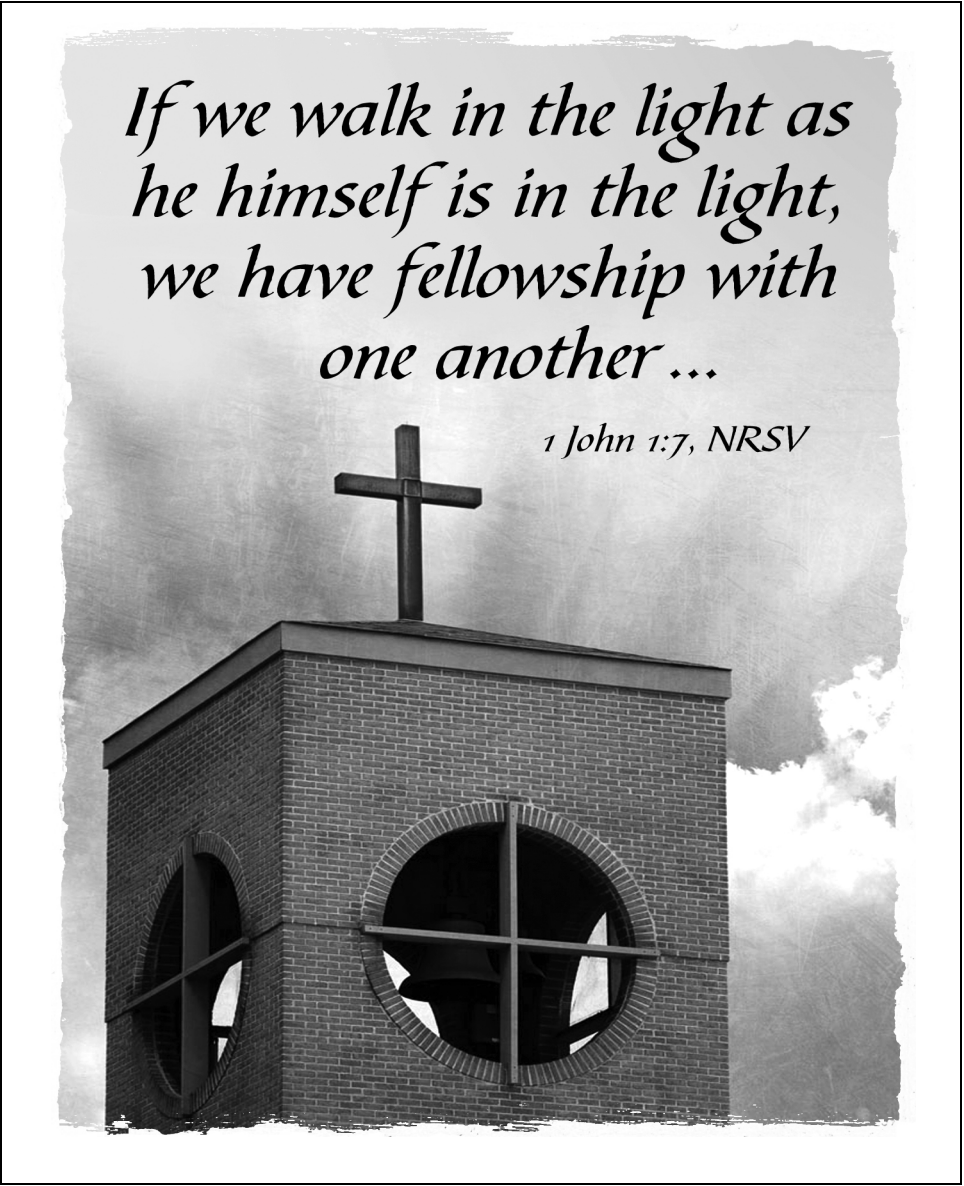
SERMON NOTES

THIS WEEK AT BPC	LOOKING AHEAD
The Cabarrus County LunchPlus Club for Seniors meets in the BPC Fellowship Hall, 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM each Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.	
Sunday, April 28 8:45 AM – Coffee Fellowship in BPC Fellowship Hall 9:00 AM – Sunday School 9:55 AM – Worship Service 10:00 – 11:00 AM – LMCS Bible Study 11:20 AM – 1:30 PM – LMCS Worship in Sanctuary 1:00 – 4:00 PM – LMCS in BPC Fellowship Hall & Pavilion Monday, April 29 7:00 PM – Session Meeting Wednesday, May 1 10:00 AM – Mary’s Bible Study– Session Rm 3:00 PM – Staff Meeting 6:30 PM – Youth Choir 7:00 PM – Choir Thursday, May 2 National Day of Prayer Saturday, May 4 Set up for Event in BPC Fellowship Hall Sunday, May 5 10¢-A-Meal Offering to be received 8:45 AM – Coffee Fellowship in BPC Fellowship Hall 9:00 AM – Sunday School 9:55 AM – Worship Service with Communion 10:00 – 11:00 AM – LMCS Bible Study 11:20 AM – 1:30 PM – LMCS Worship in Sanctuary 1:00 – 4:00 PM – LMCS in BPC Pavilion 3:00 – 5:00 PM – Baby Shower honoring Madison & Garrett Scarborough in BPC Fellowship Hall	Monday, May 6 6:00 PM – Stewardship Committee Tuesday, May 7 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall 6:30 PM – Women’s Bible Study Group in the Session Room Wednesday, May 8 10:00 AM – Mary’s Bible Study– Session Rm 6:30 PM – Youth Choir 7:00 PM – Choir Thursday, May 9 6:30 PM – Personnel Committee Saturday, May 11 9:00 AM – Men’s Prayer Breakfast in the BPC Fellowship Hall Sunday, May 12 MOTHER’S DAY 8:45 AM – Coffee Fellowship in BPC Fellowship Hall 9:00 AM – Sunday School 9:55 AM – Worship Service 10:00 – 11:00 AM – LMCS Bible Study 11:20 AM – 1:30 PM – LMCS Worship in Sanctuary 1:00 – 4:00 PM – LMCS in BPC Fellowship Hall & Pavilion



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Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!

April 28, 2019

“A family of faith in Jesus Christ, yesterday, today, and tomorrow.”

We are excited that you have joined us in worshipping God today. If you are a visitor, please pick up a church information brochure, found in the pew holders. Whether you are just visiting, looking to stay or have worshipped here your whole life, it is great to worship the Lord together this day!

DAILY LECTIONARY						
Sunday, April 28 <i>Morning:</i> Psalms 93; 150 <i>1st Read:</i> Isaiah 43:8-13 <i>2nd Read:</i> 1 Peter 2:2-10 <i>Gospel:</i> John 14:1-7 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 136; 117	Monday, April 29 <i>Morning:</i> Psalms 97; 145 <i>1st Read:</i> Daniel 1:1-21 <i>2nd Read:</i> 1 John 1:1-10 <i>Gospel:</i> John 17:1-11 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 124; 115	Tuesday, April 30 <i>Morning:</i> Psalms 98; 146 <i>1st Read:</i> Daniel 2:1-16 <i>2nd Read:</i> 1 John 2:1-11 <i>Gospel:</i> John 17:12-19 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 66; 116	Wednesday, May 1 <i>Morning:</i> Ps. 99; 147:1-11 <i>1st Read:</i> Daniel 2:17-30 <i>2nd Read:</i> 1 John 2:12-17 <i>Gospel:</i> John 17:20-26 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 9; 118	Thursday, May 2 <i>Morning:</i> Ps. 47; 147:12-20 <i>1st Read:</i> Daniel 2:31-49 <i>2nd Read:</i> 1 John 2:18-29 <i>Gospel:</i> Luke 3:1-14 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 68; 113	Friday, May 3 <i>Morning:</i> Psalms 96; 148 <i>1st Read:</i> Daniel 3:1-18 <i>2nd Read:</i> 1 John 3:1-10 <i>Gospel:</i> Luke 3:15-22 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 49; 138	Saturday, May 4 <i>Morning:</i> Psalms 92; 149 <i>1st Read:</i> Daniel 3:19-30 <i>2nd Read:</i> 1 John 3:11-18 <i>Gospel:</i> Luke 4:1-13 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 23; 114

The Service for the Lord’s Day

Second Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2019

9:55 A.M.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

“I Know that My Redeemer Liveth” *Messiah*

G. F. Handel

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PASSING OF THE PEACE

TRINITY CHIMES

SONG OF PREPARATION

*HYMN

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader:

He is risen!

People:

He is risen indeed!

*HYMN 143

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(in unison)

We use a lot of words, Gracious God, but have a hard time turning them into deeds. Blessed with great grace, we have trouble sharing it with those who need it the most. Forgive us, God of love. Forgive us, as we step out of our shadows into your light. Restore us, as we reveal our brokenness. Hear us, as we proclaim Jesus Christ as our Lord and our God. *(Please, take a moment for confession.)*

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE HYMN 579

“Glory to the Father”

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

THE WORD

TIME WITH YOUNGER CHRISTIANS

SPECIAL MUSIC

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Jenny Linebarrier

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 133 (Bible, OT p. 575)

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 John 1:1-2:2 (Bible, NT p. 238)

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SERMON

“Easter Reality”

Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner

*HYMN 193

“Beautiful Savior”

*ASSURANCE OF FAITH

The Apostles’ Creed

(Hymnal, p. 14)

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 & 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.

GIVING GOD’S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory

“Ride On, King Jesus”

Traditional African-American Spiritual

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Doxology 592

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

THE SENDING

*HYMN 176

“Be Thou My Vision”

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

*POSTLUDE

“Toccata”

Dietrich Buxtehude

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*An asterisk indicates that all who are able may stand.

TO OUR VISITORS

We welcome you to our worship, and we ask that you sign our Ritual of Friendship as it is passed along the pew. We hope that you will return to worship with us again! We have a nursery lovingly and carefully attended by church members.

MEMBERSHIP

We welcome into membership all who love Jesus Christ, accept him as Lord of all life, and seek to serve him as part of his body in the church. We invite you to speak to one of our elders, greeting you at the door as you leave the worship service.