

PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

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

SERMON NOTES

THIS WEEK AT BPC

Sunday, January 15
 8:45 – 9:00 AM – Coffee Fellowship in 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 Fellowship Hall & Pavilion

Monday, January 16
 7:00 PM – Session Meeting

Tuesday, January 17
 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, January 18
 5:45 PM – Supper
 6:20 PM – G.I.F.T. Program
 7:15 PM – Choir

Thursday, January 19
 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM – “Suds of Love” at Harris Laundromat
 6:00 – 9:00 PM – “Suds of Love” at Harris Laundromat

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, January 22
 8:45 – 9:00 AM – Coffee Fellowship in 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

Tuesday, January 24
 9:00 AM – Sunshine Group

Wednesday, January 25
 5:45 PM – Supper
 6:20 PM – G.I.F.T. Program
 7:15 PM – Choir

Sunday, January 29
 8:45 – 9:00 AM – Coffee Fellowship in Fellowship Hall
 9:00 AM – Sunday School
 9:55 AM – Worship Service with Annual Church Meeting in the BPC Fellowship Hall
 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

GRACE

2 Corinthians 5:14 - 6:2

14 For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. 15 And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

16 From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way.

17 So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become NEW!

18 All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; 19 that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us.

20 So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

21 For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

6¹As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. 2 For he says, “At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.” See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation!

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Bethpage Presbyterian Church!

January 15, 2017

**“A family of faith
 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. Please, let us get to know you a little better by filling out the information card, inside the brochure. You can drop it in the offering plate. 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, January 15	Monday, January 16	Tuesday, January 17	Wednesday, January 18	Thursday, January 19	Friday, January 20	Saturday, January 21
Morning: Psalms 19; 150 1 st Reading: Isaiah 43:14-44:5 2 nd Reading: Hebrews 6:17-7:10 Gospel: John 4:27-42 Evening: Psalms 81; 113	Morning: Ps. 135; 145 1 st Reading: Isaiah 44:6-8, 21-23 2 nd Reading: Eph. 4:1-16 Gospel: Mark 3:7-19a Evening: Psalms 97; 112	Morning: Psalms 123; 146 1 st Reading: Isaiah 44:9-20 2 nd Reading: Eph. 4:17-32 Gospel: Mark 3:19b-35 Evening: Psalms 30; 86	Morning: Ps. 15; 147:1-11 1 st Reading: Isa. 44:24-45:7 2 nd Reading: Eph. 5:1-14 Gospel: Mark 4:1-20 Evening: Psalms 48; 4	Morning: Psalms 36; 147:12-20 1 st Reading: Isaiah 45:5-17 2 nd Reading: Eph. 5:15-33 Gospel: Mark 4:21-34 Evening: Psalms 80; 27	Morning: Ps. 130; 148 1 st Reading: Isa. 45:18-25 2 nd Reading: Eph. 6:1-9 Gospel: Mark 4:35-41 Evening: Psalms 32; 139	Morning: Psalms 56; 149 1 st Reading: Isaiah 46:1-13 2 nd Reading: Eph. 6:10-24 Gospel: Mark 5:1-20 Evening: Psalms 118; 111

The Service for the Lord's Day
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

January 15, 2017

9:55 A.M.

THE GATHERING

**ANNOUNCEMENTS
(RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP/PRAYER CARDS)**

***WELCOME & PASSING OF THE PEACE**

TRINITY CHIMES

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Based on Psalm 19:14

Fill our worship with grace, Lord Jesus Christ, that every thought, word, and deed may be acceptable to you, our Rock and our Redeemer. **Amen.**

PRELUDE

"Panis Angelicus"

C. Franck

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We have gathered to praise our gracious God.

People: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!

ALL: Blessed as we are, let us worship God!

***HYMN 2236**

"Gather Us In"

GATHER US IN

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Eternal and merciful God, you have loved us with a love beyond our understanding, and you have set us on paths of righteousness for your name's sake. Yet we have strayed from your way; we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, through what we have done and what we have left undone. As we remember the lavish gift of your grace symbolized in baptism, O God, we praise you and give you thanks that you forgive us yet again. Grant us now, we pray, the grace to die daily to sin, and to rise daily to new life in Christ, who lives and reigns with you, and in whose strong name we pray. **Amen.** *(Please, take a moment for silent 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

ANTHEM

"Behold the Lamb"

Words and music by Keith and Kristyn Getty and Stuart Townend, Arr. Lloyd Larson

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Roger Hamilton

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 22:1-4, 7-14 ([Bible](#), OT p. 17)

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

NEW TESTAMENT READING

2 Corinthians 5:14-15 ([Bible](#), NT p. 181)

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SERMON

"Falling Up the Rabbit Hole"

Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner

THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

**THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
& 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.

THE WORDS OF THE INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Leader: Lord, you have put gladness in our hearts; you have satisfied our hunger with good things. In giving all, you have not withheld from us your own dear Son.

People: How can we withhold anything from you, our Lord and our God? Renew us day by day with the gift of your Spirit, that we may give ourselves completely to your service and walk with joy in the footsteps of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

GIVING GOD'S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory

"Chorale"

Johannes Brahms

*Doxology 592

OLD HUNDREDDTH

**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 392**

"Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord"

HALL

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

***POSTLUDE**

"Menuet Gothique"

L. Boellmann

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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. After the Time with Younger Christians, children ages 3 to 8 years old, are invited to exit through the doors at the back of the sanctuary to attend Children's Worship. Parents may meet their children after worship by waiting outside Room 112 in the basement.

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.

PASTORAL COUNSELING

Presbyterian Psychological Services is an integrated, interdisciplinary center for psychiatry, psychology, pastoral counseling, career counseling, and community education. We are committed to empowering all individuals, couples, and families in our community to heal and grow in an atmosphere of safety and clinical expertise. Contact info: 704-554-9900 or www.presbypsych.org.

THE SESSION OF OUR CHURCH	USHERS
Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner, <i>Moderator</i> Roger Hamilton, <i>Clerk of Session</i> Dennis Graybeal, <i>Treasurer</i>	HEAD USHER Jenny Linebarrier
CLASS OF 2017	USHERS Marty Paxton Glenda Kirkman
Steve Gaskey, <i>Fellowship</i> Kim Gibson, <i>Stewardship</i> Carrie Paxton, <i>Christian Education</i>	LECTOR Roger Hamilton
CLASS OF 2018	CHILDREN'S NURSERY (Worship only)
Sherry Childers, <i>Personnel</i> Dougie Kirkman, <i>Mission/Evangelism</i> Eric McKnight, <i>Communications</i>	Sherry Childers & Leigh Ann Allen
CLASS OF 2019	CHILDREN'S WORSHIP
Connie Goodman, <i>Worship</i> Mark Gurley, <i>Property</i> Christel Josey, <i>Nurture</i>	No Children's Worship