

TO OUR VISITORS

We welcome you to our worship. 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.

SERMON NOTES

THIS WEEK AT BPC

LOOKING AHEAD

The Cabarrus County LunchPlus Club for Seniors provides a Drive Thru Lunch Pickup at BPC Fellowship Hall, Monday – Friday, 11:30 AM – 12:45 PM.

Sunday, October 10
9:00 AM – Sunday School in the BPC Fellowship Hall
10:00 AM – Worship Service

Monday, October 11
7:15 PM – Mission/Evangelism Committee
7:15 PM – Worship Committee

Tuesday, October 12
7:00 PM – Christian Education Committee

Wednesday, October 13
7:00 PM – Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 14
6:30 PM – Personnel Committee

Sunday, October 17
9:00 AM – Sunday School in the BPC Fellowship Hall
10:00 AM – Worship Service

Monday, October 18
7:00 PM – Session Meeting

Tuesday, October 19
9:00 AM – 1:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, October 20
11:30 AM – LUNCH OUT at Logan’s Roadhouse
7:00 PM – Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 21
11:00 AM – 1:00 PM – “Suds of Love” at Harris Laundromat
6:00 – 8:00 PM – “Suds of Love” At Harris Laundromat

Saturday, October 23
9:30 AM – 12:30 PM – Girl Scouts Archery Club – field, pavilion & basement

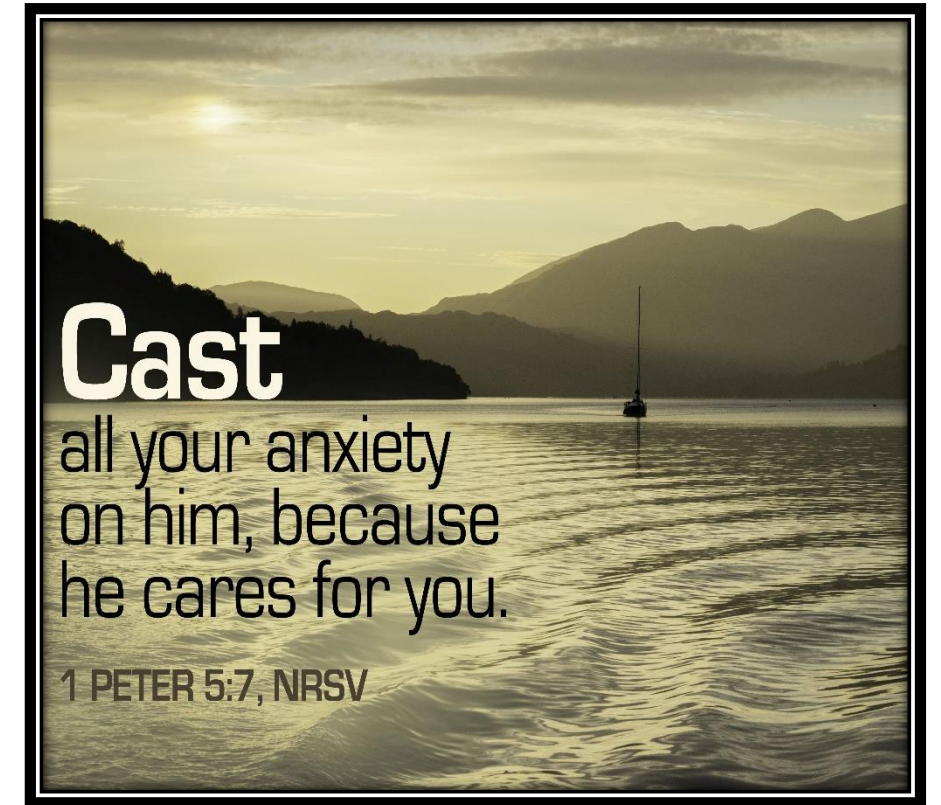
Sunday, October 24
9:00 AM – Sunday School in the BPC Fellowship Hall
10:00 AM – Worship Service

THE SESSION OF OUR CHURCH	CLASS OF 2022
Sherry Shifflett, <i>Clerk</i> Marsha Johnson, <i>Treasurer</i> Jenny Linebarrier, <i>Asst. Treasurer</i>	Connie Goodman, <i>Worship</i> Christel Josey, <i>Property</i> Dougie Kirkman, <i>Property</i>
CLASS OF 2023	CLASS OF 2024
Richie Goodman, <i>Stewardship</i> Ed Kusper, <i>Nurture</i> Carrie Paxton, <i>Christian Education</i>	Chris Ferguson, <i>Mission/Evangelism</i> Hannah Jackson, <i>Communications</i> Sherry Shifflett, <i>Personnel</i>



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Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!
October 10, 2021

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

We are excited that you have joined us in worshipping God today. 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, October 10	Monday, October 11	Tuesday, October 12	Wednesday, October 13	Thursday, October 14	Friday, October 15	Saturday, October 16
<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 19; 150 <i>1st Read:</i> Jer. 36:1-10 <i>2nd Read:</i> Acts 14:8-18 <i>Gospel:</i> Luke 7:36-50 <i>Evening:</i> Ps. 81; 113	<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 135; 145 <i>1st Read:</i> Jer. 36:11-26 <i>2nd Read:</i> 1 Cor. (13:1-3) 13:4-13 <i>Gospel:</i> Mt. 10:5-15 <i>Evening:</i> Ps. 97; 112	<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 123; 146 <i>1st Read:</i> Jer. 36:27-37:2 <i>2nd Read:</i> 1 Cor. 14:1-12 <i>Gospel:</i> Mt. 10:16-23 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 30; 86	<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 15; 147:1-11 <i>1st Read:</i> Jer. 37:3-21 <i>2nd Read:</i> 1 Cor. 14:13-25 <i>Gospel:</i> Matthew 10:24-33 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 48; 4	<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 36; 147:12-20 <i>1st Read:</i> Jer. 38:1-13 <i>2nd Read:</i> 1 Cor. 14:26-33a (33b-36) 37-40 <i>Gospel:</i> Matthew 10:34-42 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 80; 27	<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 130; 148 <i>1st Read:</i> Jer. 38:14-28 <i>2nd Read:</i> 1 Cor. 15:1-11 <i>Gospel:</i> Matthew 11:1-6 <i>Evening:</i> Ps. 32; 139	<i>Morning:</i> Psalms 56; 149 <i>1st Read:</i> Jer. 52:1-34 <i>2nd Read:</i> 1 Cor. 15:12-29 <i>Gospel:</i> Matthew 11:7-15 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 118; 111

The Service for the Lord's Day Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 10, 2021

10:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE "O Rest in the Lord" from *Elijah*
Felix Bartholdy Mendelssohn

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITY CHIMES

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We come happily and humble ourselves before our God.

People: Who is forever faithful to us.

Leader: We come to listen, and to grow.

People: With open minds and contrite hearts we actively glorify our Lord.

Leader: We come this Sabbath Day to learn to trust.

People: We strive to cast our cares upon Almighty God.

All: Let us joyfully offer praise and thanksgiving.

***HYMN #80** "How Deep the Father's Love for Us"
("Hymns of Grace")

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We build our lives around earthly concerns. We entertain our own plans before ever considering what you ask of us. We think we know what's best for ourselves, and for your world.

When faced with problems, we anxiously and tirelessly work to find answers, rarely asking first for your help. We constantly put ourselves and our needs ahead of those less fortunate.

Gracious and loving God, restore us to the joy of your salvation. Help us to realize that you are always with us, that you share in our struggles, that you are the balm for what ails us . . . if only we would ask.

Merciful God, forgive our sins, free us from our prideful nature, that we may choose your will; through Jesus Christ our Savior. *(Please take a moment for silent confession.)*

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE** *(sung)*

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.

THE WORD

TIME WITH YOUNGER CHRISTIANS

ANTHEM "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"
traditional hymn tune from the southern US, composed as a hymn by Isaac Watts, anthem arranged by Virgil Thompson

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Marcia Graybeal

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Deuteronomy 31:1-8 (Pew Bible, OT, p. 186)

31¹When Moses had finished speaking all these words to all Israel, ²he said to them: "I am now one hundred twenty years old. I am no longer able to get about, and the LORD has told me, 'You shall not cross over this Jordan.' ³The LORD your God himself will cross over before you. He will destroy these nations before you, and you shall dispossess them. Joshua also will cross over before you, as the LORD promised. ⁴The LORD will do to them as he did to Sihon and Og, the kings of the Amorites, and to their land, when he destroyed them. ⁵The LORD will give them over to you and you shall deal with them in full accord with the command that I have given to you. ⁶Be strong and bold; have no fear or dread of them, because it is the LORD your God who goes with you; he will not fail you or forsake you."

⁷Then Moses summoned Joshua and said to him in the sight of all Israel: "Be strong and bold, for you are the one who will go with this people into the land that the LORD has sworn to their ancestors to give them; and you will put them in possession of it. ⁸It is the LORD who goes before you. He will be with you; he will not fail you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed."

NEW TESTAMENT READING 1 Peter 5:6-11 (Pew Bible, NT, p. 235)

⁶Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. ⁷Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. ⁸Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. ⁹Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. ¹⁰And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. ¹¹To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

SERMON

"Are You IN?"

Elder Richie Goodman

***HYMN #354** "The Church's One Foundation"
("Hymns of Grace")

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Apostles' Creed

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.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

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 "Song Without Words" Felix Bartholdy Mendelssohn
***Doxology** *(sung)*
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 #361** "By Faith"
("Hymns of Grace")

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

***POSTLUDE** "Psalm XIX" B. Marcello

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