

**THE WORDS OF THE INSTITUTION**

**COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

**\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** (in unison)

God of grace, out of your abundance you have fed us what we need, sparing none of your good gifts in Jesus Christ. Thank you, Lord. Thank you! Be with us as we go out to live a new life in you. May we be a blessing to others as we have been blessed by you. Amen.

**THE SENDING**

**\*HYMN #554** "Let All Things Now Living"  
("The Presbyterian Hymnal")

**\*BLESSING AND CHARGE**

**\*POSTLUDE**  
"Fanfare and Finale" from Thanksgiving Suite Dr. Charles Callahan

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

**A Special Thank You**

Thank you to Amber for providing our special music today.

**TO OUR VISITORS**

We welcome you to our worship. We have a nursery lovingly and carefully attended by church members and childcare following the Time with the Children for ages two through kindergarten. If you have questions, please see an usher and they will be happy to assist you.

**THIS WEEK AT BPC**

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. (Except for Thursday, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> and Friday, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>, as noted below.)

**Sunday, November 21**

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY  
9:00 AM – Children’s Sunday School - Room 202  
9:00 AM – Sunday School - Room 200  
10:00 AM – Worship Service  
3:00 PM – Hanging of the Greens

**Wednesday, November 24**

7:00 PM – Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, November 25**

Happy Thanksgiving!  
Church office closed  
No LunchPlus Club Meal Pickup today!

**Friday, November 26**

Church office closed  
No LunchPlus Club Meal Pickup today!

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**Sunday, November 28**

ADVENT I  
9:00 AM – Children’s Sunday School - Room 202  
9:00 AM – Sunday School - Room 200  
10:00 AM – Worship Service

**Tuesday, November 30**

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall

**Wednesday, December 1**

5:30 PM – G.I.F.T.<sup>2</sup> Program  
7:00 PM – Choir Rehearsal

**Saturday, December 4**

Private Event in BPC Fellowship Hall (all day)

**Sunday, December 5**

ADVENT II  
10¢-A-Meal Offering to be received  
9:00 AM – Children’s Sunday School - Room 202  
9:00 AM – Sunday School - Room 200  
10:00 AM – Worship Service

THE SESSION OF OUR CHURCH	CLASS OF 2022
Valerie Hicks, <i>Moderator</i> Sherry Shifflett, <i>Clerk</i>	Connie Goodman, <i>Worship</i> Christel Josey, <i>Property</i> Dougie Kirkman, <i>Property</i>
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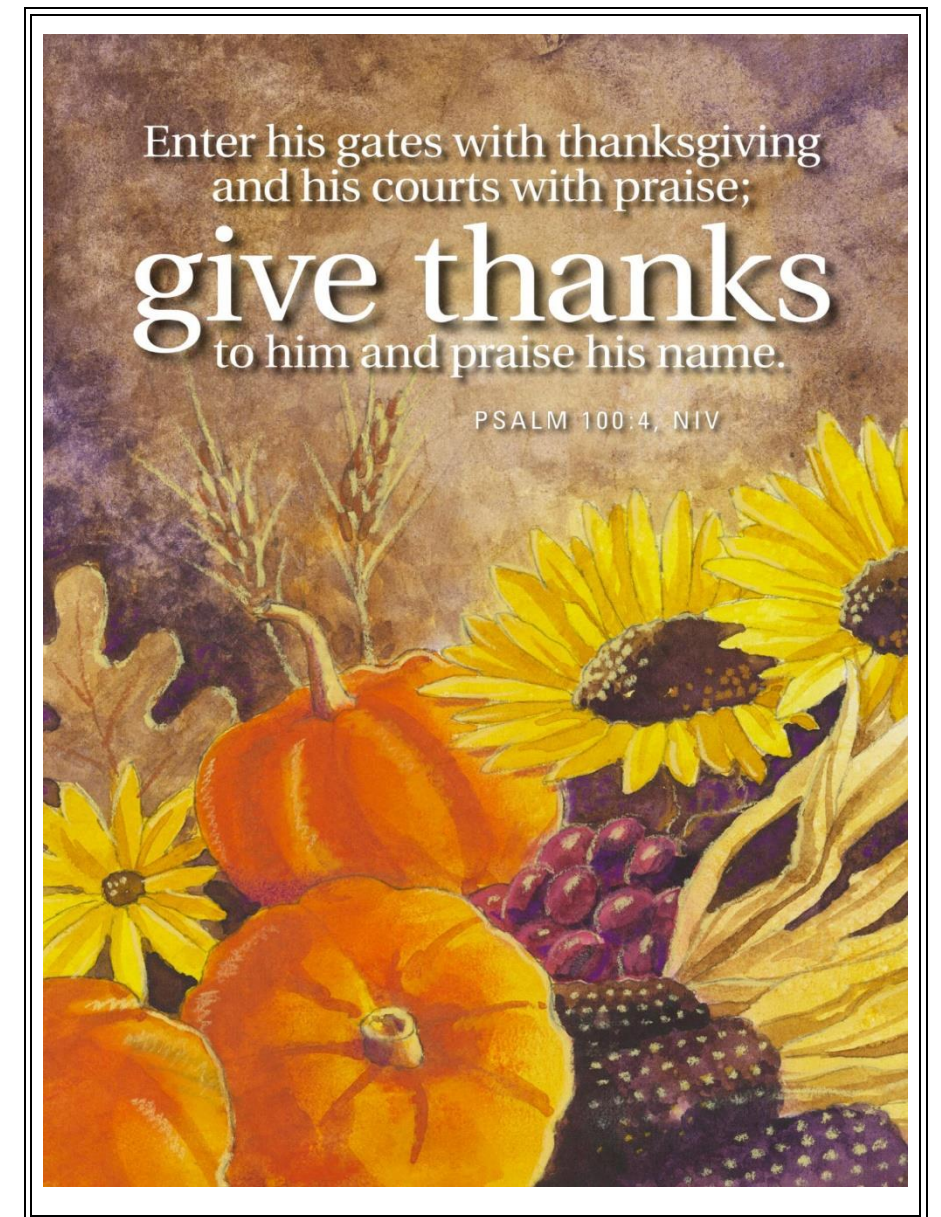
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**Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!**  
November 21, 2021

*“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, November 21	Monday, November 22	Tuesday, November 23	Wednesday, November 24	Thursday, November 25	Friday, November 26	Saturday, November 27
Morning: Ps. 108; 150 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Isa. 19:19-25 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: Rom. 15:5-13 Gospel: Luke 19:11-27 Evening: Psalms 66; 23	Morning: Ps. 62; 145 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Joel 3:1-2, 9-17 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: 1 Pet. 1:1-12 Gospel: Mt. 19:1-12 Evening: Psalms 73; 9	Morning: Ps. 12; 146 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Nahum 1:1-13 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: 1 Pet. 1:13-25 Gospel: Mt. 19:13-22 Evening: Psalms 36; 7	Morning: Ps. 96; 147:1-11 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Obadiah 15-21 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: 1 Peter 2:1-10 Gospel: Matthew 19:23-30 Evening: Psalms 132; 134	Morning: Psalms 116; 147:12-20 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Zeph. 3:1-13 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: 1 Peter 2:11-25 Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16 Evening: Psalms 26; 130	Morning: Ps. 84; 148 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Isa. 24:14-23 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: 1 Pet. 3:13-4:6 Gospel: Mt. 20:17-28 Evening: Psalms 25; 40	Morning: Psalms 63; 149 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Micah 7:11-20 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: 1 Peter 4:7-19 Gospel: Mt. 20:29-34 Evening: Psalms 125; 90

# The Service for Christ the King Sunday

## The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

November 21, 2021

10:00 A.M.

### THE GATHERING

**PRELUDE**      *"Come Ye Thankful People, Come"*  
from *Thanksgiving Suite*      Dr. Charles Callahan

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TRINITY CHIMES

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God has created us, called us from our mother's womb and formed of us a people.

People: **No longer are we lonely individuals, but part of the whole human race, living and sharing with others.**

Leader: We discover life to be so complex. It is tears; it is smiles; it is joy; it is sorrow.

People: **It is a gift from God. Laugh, cry, sing, be silent; in whatever way we live, be thankful unto God! Amen!**

### \*OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God, who supplies us with every blessing in abundance, lift up our hearts in gratitude and thanksgiving. Open us up and help us to remember the gifts we seldom notice, the bounty we take for granted, the rich possibilities You provide. For bread without scarcity, for water that is pure, for houses to live in and friends to enjoy, we give You humble thanks. For beauty and bounty, for healing and hope, for the Gospel of Christ, we lift our voices in joyful praise. Dwell with us now. Amen.

**\*HYMN #559**      *"We Gather Together"*  
("The Presbyterian Hymnal")

### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, wipe away our arrogance as we come before you. We have pursued our own concerns day after day and night after night. We live with the illusion that we are self-sufficient until the next crisis comes. We have eaten well without being grateful. We enjoy clothing and shelter, mindless of the multitudes who lack these necessities. We take good health for granted, as our due. We have to remind ourselves to be grateful, but automatically desire more and more. We confess the ingratitude of our lives. Have mercy on us, O Lord, and hear our silent confessions . . . *(Please take a moment for silent confession.)*

### \*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Jesus said: "Your sins are forgiven; go and sin no more."

People: **Every day is an opportunity to decide again that this new day shall not be like the others; that as of this moment, a new person is being created.**

Leader: We are free from bondage to our past. We are free to live fully in the present. The future is open.

People: **Let us rejoice in this transforming power of our Lord. Amen.**

### \*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 THE CHILDREN

**ANTHEM**      *"The First Song of Isaiah" based on Isaiah 12:2-6*  
Music composed by Jack Noble White

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**      Sandy Gaskey

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**      Psalm 100 (Pew Bible, OT, p. 552)

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

People: **Worship the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing.**

Leader: Know that the LORD is God.

People: **It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.

People: **Give thanks to him, bless his name.**

Leader: For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever,

People: **and his faithfulness to all generations.**

### NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 17:11-19 (Pew Bible, NT, p. 80)

<sup>11</sup>On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup>As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup>they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" <sup>14</sup>When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. <sup>15</sup>Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup>He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup>Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? <sup>18</sup>Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" <sup>19</sup>Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

**SERMON**      *"Joy of Gratitude"*      Rev. Valerie Hicks

### RITE OF PASSAGE FOR RILEY BODO

*As she receives her driver's license*

### GIVING GOD OUR OFFERING

Offertory      *"I'll Give Thanks"*  
Amber McCullough

\*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 LORD'S SUPPER

### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

### THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

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

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Leader continues . . .*

**All: 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.**