GO IN GOD'S NAME

HYMN #2283

"For All the Saints"
(Sing the Faith Hymnal)

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE



Special Thanks

This Sunday we welcome **Rev. Debra Madden** as our guest for the day to lead us in worship. Rev. Madden graduated from Union Theological Seminary in Charlotte. She served as Pastor of Kirkwood Presbyterian Church for approximately 12 years. She has also worked in the Addictions field for the past sixteen years. **We welcome Rev. Madden again to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!**

To Our Visitors

We welcome you to worship today. If you are visiting with us please feel free to speak to the pastor or one of our greeters if you have questions or want more information about Bethpage.

Bethpage is a church committed to children and families and their needs. We have a nursery and childcare for infants through kindergarten. Feel free to keep your child in worship through the Time With the Children if that works for your family. Jaymie Barrier our children's caregiver will take your cell phone number and will text you if your child needs you during worship.



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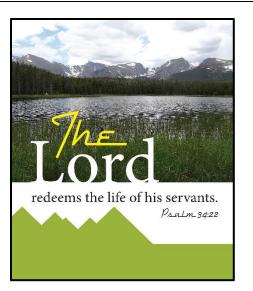
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Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!

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

> November 5, 2023 10:00 AM



GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING MUSIC #2164

"Sanctuary"
(Sing the Faith Hymnal)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even though they die, they will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Come to me, all you who labor and are overburdened, and I will give you rest." Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Who made heaven and earth.

Praise the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

HYMN #526

"For All the Saints"
(The Presbyterian Hymnal)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. We confess that we are indifferent to your will. You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid. In your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in your way, that joined with those from ages past, who have served you with faith, hope, and love, we may inherit the kingdom you promised in Jesus Christ. (Please take a moment for silent confession.)

RESPONSE #2013

"Bless the Lord"
(Sing the Faith Hymnal)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

When we are faithless, God remains faithful.

When we turn away from God, God reaches toward us.

Friends, believe the good news, in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

We will live as a forgiven people. Alleluia! Amen.

RESPONSE OF PRAISE

"Glory Be to the Father"

GLORIA PATRI

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

TIME WITH CHILDREN

ANTHEM "Find Us Faithful"

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 34:1-10, 22 (Pew Bible, p. 508)

NEW TESTAMENT READING 1 John 3:1-7 (Pew Bible, p. 240)

SERMON "Equality in Community" Rev. Debra Madden

THE PEOPLE RESPOND

GIVING GOD OUR OFFERING and OUR 10¢-A-MEAL OFFERING

Offertory

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**

May our gifts quench the thirst of those who desire hope; may our lives by spent in feeding those whose hunger is all too real; may we always give away the blessings you have given to us, God of the compassionate heart. Amen.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

HYMN #504

"Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether"
(The Presbyterian Hymnal)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Minister continues . . .

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 AND COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We will go into the world as God's people,

telling of God's hopes for all.

We will go to serve the world as followers of Jesus,

showing with our lives that all are part of the kingdom.

We will go to share the Spirit,

to bring peace where there is war, to share love where there is hate.