

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Family Story Bible

Our Father in heaven, Your name is holy. May your peace come. May we live on earth, as you live in heaven. Give us enough to eat each day. Forgive us the bad things we have done, as we forgive those who have done bad things to us. Don't test us with things too hard for us, and save us from evil. Amen.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

HYMN #447

"Lead On, O King Eternal"
(The Presbyterian Hymnal)

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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New Addition to the BPC Family!

The rose on the communion table is in honor of the birth of **Turner Dennis Graybeal**, infant son of Trent and Amber Graybeal, born February 29, 2024. Turner weighed 9 lbs. 11 oz. and is 21.5 inches long. Torvi and Talon are the proud big sister and big brother.

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 for infants through three-year-olds and Kids of the Kingdom for four-year-olds – Kindergarten. There are activity sheets and children's Bibles for older children. Feel free to keep your child with you in worship through the Time With Children if that works for your family. Our new nursery caregiver is Stephanie Pritchard. Stephanie will text you if your child needs you during worship.



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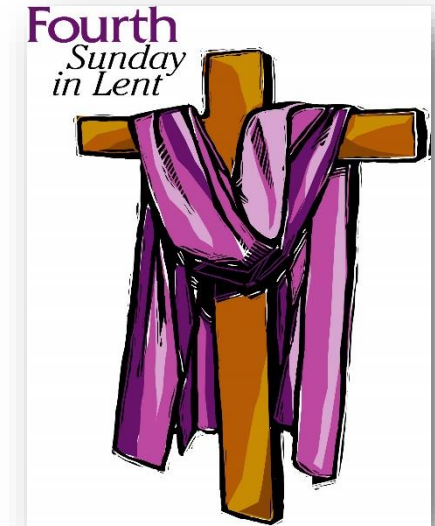
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Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!

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

March 10, 2024
10:00 AM



GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather to share in our love of God.

Lord, open our hearts and let us share your Good News.

We gather to share our witness to God's goodness.

Lord, let our lives bear witness through service to your people.

We gather to praise God whose love is eternal.

Lord, open our hearts today to sing your praises. Amen.

HYMN #3

"Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him"
(Hymns of Grace)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Oh God, where did I go wrong? How can I find my way back? I am weighed down by this feeling that I have failed – you, other people, myself. My life is a mess.

RESPONSE *(sung)* “Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us”

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

You know my weakness. You know me better than me: I can't hide it from you. How can I bear to face it too?

RESPONSE *(sung)* “Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us”

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Guilty as charged – however much I argue my case. It's your laws I have broken; it's your way I have lost; it's your word I have chosen not to hear over and over again.

RESPONSE *(sung)* “Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us”

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

O God, where did I go wrong? How can I find my way back?

(Time of silence.)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, God welcomes us with open arms of love.

We come longing for acceptance.

Remember the good news is for us and for our children.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and made whole.

We are free to begin once again.

Alleluia, alleluia, thanks be to God.

RESPONSE OF PRAISE “Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

TIME WITH CHILDREN

ANTHEM

“Written in Red”

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 35 ([Psalms Now](#))

HYMN

“I Want to Know You More”

NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

John 17:6-8 (CEB)
Hebrews 13:20-21 ([Pew Bible](#), p. 228)

SERMON

“The Lord's Prayer - Part 2”

Valerie Hicks

THE PEOPLE RESPOND

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God, maker of all things, provider of all things, who loves all people. We follow Jesus, in whom salvation has come to us: he sees us for who we are, heals the wounds of our hearts, and makes us new. In his death and resurrection we see the deepest truth of life. We live by the power of the Holy Spirit, which empowers us for self-giving love. We give thanks for the Church, the Body of Christ, and for the gift of forgiveness, the power of resurrection and the mystery of eternal life. Amen.

GIVING GOD OUR OFFERING

Offertory

“The Lord's Prayer”
(choir and congregation)

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

For all your saints, O God, who have guided our lives, for all the ways you have saved us from ourselves, for all the times your love has been poured out on us, we give you thanks. You have taught us to offer hospitality and to share what you have given. This we do, with joy and gratitude. Receive these tokens of our renewed dedication. Amen.