

## PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

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

### March 25

**Joys:** Eco Palms (Rev. Ellen), Worship Committee (Rev. Ellen), Heather Kirkman (Christel & Glenda)

**Concerns:** Marcia's sister Cookie and her family in the death of her husband, Don (Marcia), Braxton (Robin), Jeremiah (Hannah), Tim, Margaret & Tom (Christel)

## SERMON NOTES

## THIS WEEK AT BPC

### Sunday, April 1

RESURRECTION SUNDAY  
One Great Hour of Sharing Offering  
10¢-A-Meal Offering to be received  
7:09 AM – Sunrise Service in the BPC Cemetery immediately followed by Breakfast in the BPC Fellowship Hall  
9:55 AM – Worship Service with Communion  
10:00 – 11:00 AM – LMCS Bible Study  
11:00 AM – Easter Egg Hunt  
11:20 AM – 1:30 PM – LMCS Worship in Sanctuary  
1:00 – 4:00 PM – LMCS in BPC Fellowship Hall & Pavilion

### Monday, April 2 – Monday, April 9

Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner out of the office

### Tuesday, April 3

10:00 AM – Nurture Committee  
6:30 PM – Women's Bible Study Group in the Session Room  
8:00 PM – Softball Game at Bakers Creek

### Wednesday, April 4

10:00 AM – Mary's Bible Study– Session Rm

### Thursday, April 5

8:00 PM – Softball Game at Bakers Creek

### Sunday, April 8

8:45 AM – Coffee Fellowship in BPC 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

## LOOKING AHEAD

### Monday, April 9

7:00 PM – Gathering Time  
7:15 PM – Ministry Area Teams

### Tuesday, April 10

9:30 AM – 1:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall  
6:30 PM – Property Committee  
7:00 PM – Christian Education Committee  
9:00 PM – Softball Game at Bakers Creek

### Wednesday, April 11

10:00 AM – Mary's Bible Study– Session Rm  
6:00 PM – Adult Small Group  
6:00 PM – Youth Choir  
7:15 PM – Choir

### Thursday, April 12

6:30 PM – Personnel Committee  
9:00 PM – Softball Game at Bakers Creek

### Saturday, April 14

9:00 AM – Men's Prayer Breakfast in BPC Fellowship Hall

### Sunday, April 15

8:45 – 9:00 AM – Coffee Fellowship in BPC 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  
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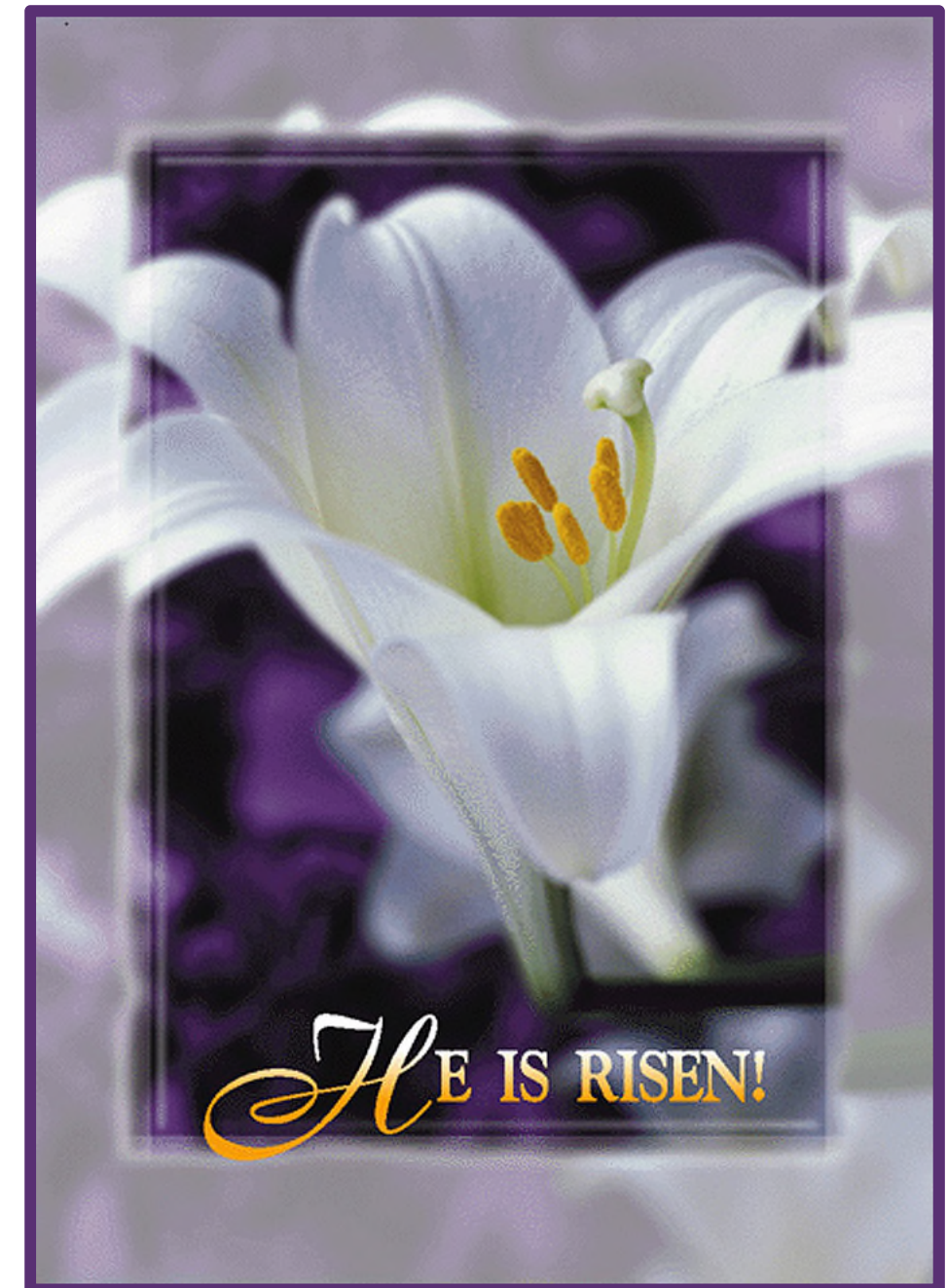


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Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!

April 1, 2018

*“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. 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, April 1	Monday, April 2	Tuesday, April 3	Wednesday, April 4	Thursday, April 5	Friday, April 6	Saturday, April 7
Morning: Psalms 93; 150 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading: Ex. 12:1-14 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading: John 1:1-18 Gospel: Luke 24:13-35 Evening: Psalms 136; 117	Morning: Psalms 97; 145 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading: Ex. 12:14-27 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Cor. 15:1-11 Gospel: Mark 16:1-8 Evening: Psalms 124; 115	Morning: Psalms 98; 146 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading: Ex. 12:28-39 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Cor. 15:12-28 Gospel: Mark 16:9-20 Evening: Psalms 66; 116	Morning: Ps. 99; 147:1-11 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading: Exodus 12:40-51 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Corinthians (15:29) 30-41 Gospel: Matthew 28:1-16 Evening: Psalms 9; 118	Morning: Ps. 47; 147:12-20 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading: Exodus 13:3-10 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Cor. 15:41-50 Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20 Evening: Psalms 68; 113	Morning: Psalms 96; 148 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading: Exodus 13:1-2, 11-16 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: 1 Cor. 15:51-58 Gospel: Luke 24:1-12 Evening: Psalms 49; 138	Morning: Psalms 92; 149 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading: Ex. 13:17-14:4 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading: 2 Cor. 4:16-5:10 Gospel: Mark 12:18-27 Evening: Psalms 23; 114

**The Celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ  
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

April 1, 2018 9:55 A.M.

***THE GATHERING***

**PRELUDE** *"Gloria in Excelsis" from "Gloria"* Antonio Vivaldi

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**TRINITY CHIMES**

**SONGS OF PREPARATION**

**\*HYMN** (insert) *"Resurrection Hymn"* Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

**\*HYMN 122** (v. 1) *"Thine Is the Glory"* JUDAS MACCABEUS

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** *"With One Heart"* Children's Choir

*Leader: He is Risen!*

**People: He has risen, INDEED!**

**\*HYMN 123** *"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"* EASTER HYMN

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*Leader: If, at times, we deny you, God forgive. When the risks of discipleship are high, and we are nowhere to be found:*

**People: God forgive.**

*Leader: When we wash our hands of responsibility:*

**People: God forgive.**

*Leader: When we cast our lot with powerful oppressors and seek to buy freedom with silver:*

**People: God forgive.**

*Leader: When fear keeps us from witnessing to your truth, or prejudice keeps us from believing it:*

**People: God forgive.**

*Leader: In the bright light of Easter morning, O God, our sin is exposed, and your grace is revealed.*

**ALL:** Tender God, raise us in your love so that, with joy, we may witness to your awesome deeds, in the name of Jesus, the risen one. 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** *"Arise, My Soul, Arise"* Dan Forrest

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION** Jean Brown

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24 ([Bible](#), OT p. 565)  
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

**NEW TESTAMENT READING** John 11:25-26 ([Bible](#), NT p. 105)  
Mark 16:1-8 ([Bible](#), NT p. 54)  
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**SERMON** *"Living in the Resurrection and the Life?"*  
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 BY INTINCTION**

*(Please come forward to receive communion using the center aisle  
and return using the side aisles.)*

**PRAYER AFTER LORD'S SUPPER**

**HYMN 517** (v. 3) *"We Come As Guests Invited"* WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN

One bread is ours for sharing, One single fruitful vine,  
Our fellowship declaring Renewed in bread and wine:  
Renewed sustained, and given By token, sign, and word,  
The pledge and seal of heaven, The love of Christ our Lord.

**GIVING GOD'S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS,  
OUR ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING  
and OUR 10¢-A-MEAL OFFERING**

Offertory *"O, Sacred Heart"* J.S. Bach

\*Doxology 592 OLD HUNDREDTH

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 371** *"Lift High the Cross"* CRUCIFER

**\*BLESSING AND CHARGE**

**\*POSTLUDE** *"Toccata"* Charles Marie Widor

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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.

**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.

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>	<b>HEAD USHER</b> Christel Josey
<b>CLASS OF 2018</b>	<b>USHERS:</b> Chris Ferguson Amanda Ritchie
Sherry Childers, <i>Personnel</i> Dougie Kirkman, <i>Mission/Evangelism</i> Brandi Lackey, <i>Christian Education</i>	<b>LECTOR</b>  Jean Brown
<b>CLASS OF 2019</b>	<b>CHILDREN'S NURSERY (Worship only)</b>
Connie Goodman, <i>Worship</i> Mark Gurley, <i>Property</i> Christel Josey, <i>Nurture</i>	Susan Smith Cheryl Kusper
<b>CLASS OF 2020</b>	<b>CHILDREN'S WORSHIP</b>
Jean Brown, <i>Communications</i> Ed Kusper, <i>Stewardship</i> Madison Scarborough, <i>Fellowship</i>	No Children's Worship