

PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

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

March 26

Joys: Janice (Nurture), Our church (Christel), Heather (Family), Our grandson (Connie & Rick)

Concerns: Greg Family (Amy), Pat (Peggy), Family of Greg (Peggy), Rhonda (Christel), Karli (Marsha), Pat & Jack (Nurture)

SERMON NOTES

THIS WEEK AT BPC

Sunday, April 2

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10¢-A-Meal Offering to be received
8:45 – 9:00 AM – Coffee Fellowship in 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 Pavilion
6:00 PM – Young Adults Small Group at the Paxtons

Monday, April 3

2:00 PM – Nurture Committee

Tuesday, April 4

6:30 PM – Women’s Bible Study Group in the Session Room

Wednesday, April 5

Deadline for ordering Easter Lilies
10:00 AM – Mary’s Bible Study - Session Rm
5:45 PM – Supper
6:20 PM – G.I.F.T. Program
7:15 PM – Choir

Saturday, April 8

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM – Girl Scouts in Basement of Educational Building
9:00 AM – Men’s Prayer Breakfast in BPC Fellowship Hall
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM – Garden Work Day
1:00 – 6:00 PM – Private Event in BPC Fellowship Hall

Sunday, April 9

PALM SUNDAY
8:45 – 9:00 AM – Coffee Fellowship in Fellowship Hall
9:00 AM – Sunday School
9:55 AM – Worship Service
10:00 – 11:00 AM – LMCS Bible Study

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, April 9

11:15 AM – Covered Dish Lunch in BPC Fellowship Hall
11:20 AM – 1:30 PM – LMCS Worship in Sanctuary
1:00 – 4:00 PM – LMCS in BPC Pavilion

Monday, April 10

4:30 PM – Stewardship Committee
7:00 PM – Gathering Time
7:15 PM – Ministry Area Teams

Tuesday, April 11

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall
6:00 PM – Property Committee
6:30 PM – Personnel Committee
7:00 PM – Christian Education Committee

Wednesday, April 12

10:00 AM – Mary’s Bible Study - Session Rm
No Supper or G.I.F.T. Program today!
7:15 PM – Choir

Thursday, April 13

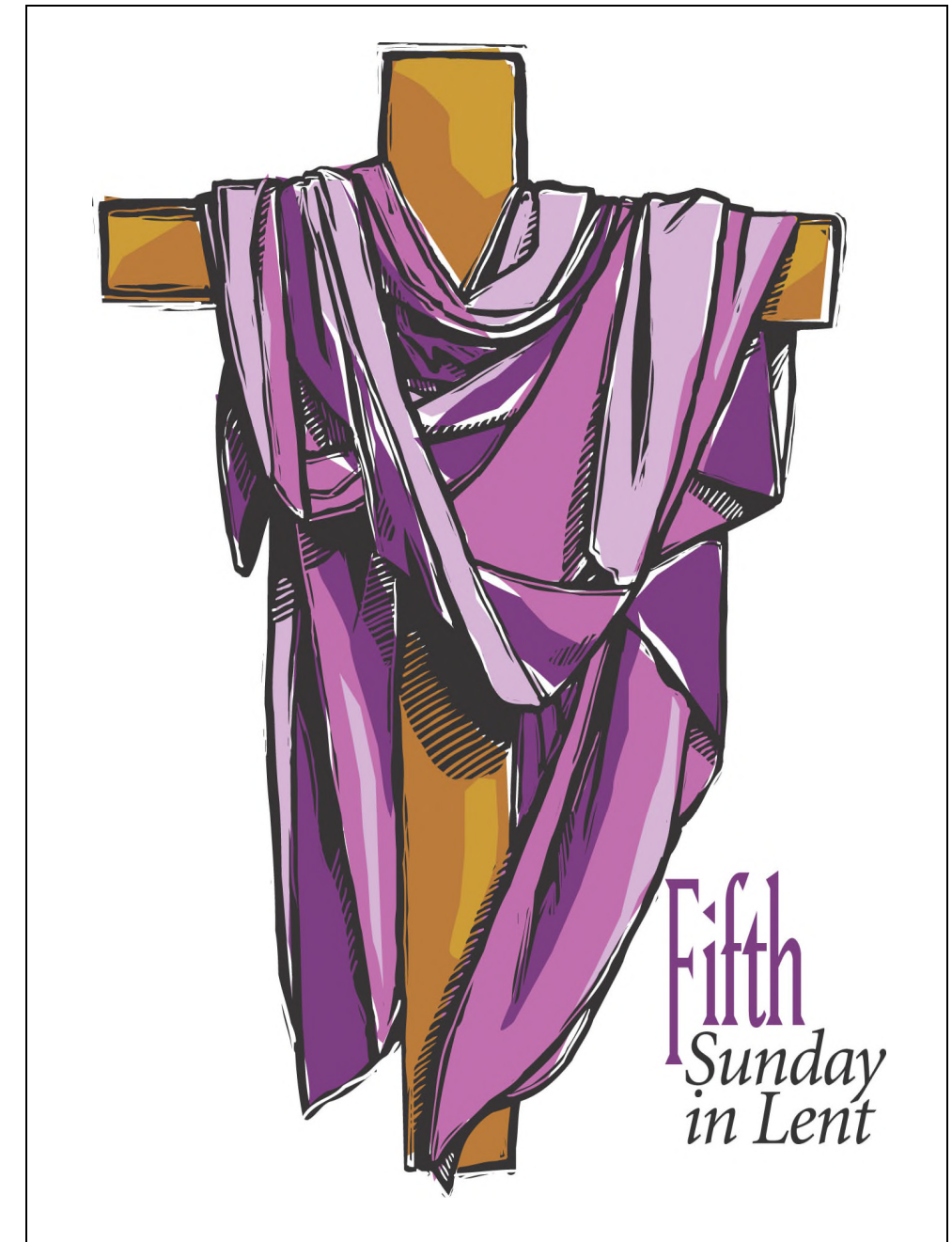
6:30 PM – Seder/Maundy Thursday Service in BPC Fellowship Hall

Friday, April 14

7:00 PM – Good Friday Tenebrae Service in BPC Fellowship Hall

Sunday, April 16

RESURRECTION SUNDAY
One Great Hour of Sharing Offering
6:50 AM – Sunrise Service in the BPC Cemetery immediately followed by Breakfast in 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 Pavilion



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Bethpage Presbyterian Church!

April 2, 2017

“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. Please, let us get to know you a little better by filling out the information card, inside the brochure. You can drop it in the offering plate. 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 2	Monday, April 3	Tuesday, April 4	Wednesday, April 5	Thursday, April 6	Friday, April 7	Saturday, April 8
Morning: Psalms 84; 150 1 st Reading: Jer. 23:16-32 2 nd Reading: 1 Cor. 9:19-27 Gospel: Mark 8:31-9:1 Evening: Psalms 42; 32	Morning: Psalms 119:73-80; 145 1 st Reading: Jer. 24:1-10 2 nd Reading: Rom. 9:19-33 Gospel: John 9:1-17 Evening: Psalms 121; 6	Morning: Psalms 34; 146 1 st Reading: Jer. 25:8-17 2 nd Reading: Rom. 10:1-13 Gospel: John 9:18-41 Evening: Psalms 25; 91	Morning: Psalms 5; 147:1-11 1 st Reading: Jer. 25:30-38 2 nd Reading: Rom. 10:14-21 Gospel: John 10:1-18 Evening: Psalms 27; 51	Morning: Ps. 27; 147:12-20 1 st Reading: Jeremiah 26:1-16 (17-24) 2 nd Reading: Romans 11:1-12 Gospel: John 10:19-42 Evening: Psalms 126; 102	Morning: Psalms 22; 148 1 st Reading: Jeremiah 29:1 (2-3) 4-14 2 nd Reading: Romans 11:13-24 Gospel: John 11:1-27 Alt. Gospel: John 12:1-10 Evening: Psalms 105; 130	Morning: Psalms 43; 149 1 st Reading: Jer. 31:27-34 2 nd Reading: Rom. 11:25-36 Gospel: John 11:28-44 Alt. Gospel: John 12:37-50 Evening: Psalms 31; 143

The Service for the Lord's Day
Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 2, 2017

9:55 A.M.

THE GATHERING

**ANNOUNCEMENTS
(RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP/PRAYER CARDS)**

***WELCOME & PASSING OF THE PEACE**

TRINITY CHIMES

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Holy and loving God, as we worship you today, we long for your Spirit to both comfort and challenge us, to help us become more holy and more loving. In a world that does not understand repentance, we pray for new understanding, humility, patience, and discipline that will help us die to sin and live for Jesus. **Amen.**

PRELUDE "He Was Despised" from *The Messiah* G.F. Handel

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Adapted from Isaiah 43:19-21

Minister: *Let us worship God, who has done great things.*

Congregation: We rejoice in our God, who made a way through the desert of this world.

Minister: *Let us worship God, who has caused streams of mercy to flow in the wasteland.*

Congregation: We are the people God has formed through Christ; we worship him, and we rejoice!

Minister: *Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.*

Congregation: We praise God for the grace that has saved us.

ALL: Alleluia! We rejoice!

***HYMN 467** "How Great Thou Art" O STORE GUD

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION and
DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

(Please, take a moment of silent confession.)

"Confession" Michael A. Schmid

**Lord, your mercy covers me. Lord, your mercy has set me free.
You've forgiven me today, and my sins are washed away,
by the cross and empty grave for my soul!**

THE WORD

TIME WITH YOUNGER CHRISTIANS

ANTHEM *Lenten Song* Charles Wesley/Mark Hayes
"Kyrie eleison (Lord have mercy), Christe eleison (Christ have mercy)"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Jean Brown

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 16:1-11 ([Bible](#), OT p. 495)
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

NEW TESTAMENT READING Mark 4:35-41 ([Bible](#), NT p. 39)
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SERMON "Who then is this?" Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner

***HYMN 361** "How Firm a Foundation" FOUNDATION

***ASSURANCE OF FAITH** The Apostles' Creed ([Hymnal](#), p. 14)

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.

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
and OUR 10¢-A-MEAL OFFERING**

Offertory "I Know that My Redeemer Liveth" from *The Messiah* G.F. Handel

*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 307** "Fight the Good Fight" DUKE STREET

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

***POSTLUDE** "Variations" H. Mulet

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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.

PASTORAL COUNSELING

Presbyterian Psychological Services is an integrated, interdisciplinary center for psychiatry, psychology, pastoral counseling, career counseling, and community education. We are committed to empowering all individuals, couples, and families in our community to heal and grow in an atmosphere of safety and clinical expertise. Contact info: 704-554-9900 or www.presbypsych.org.

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>	HEAD USHER Christel Josey
CLASS OF 2017	USHERS Ed and Cheryl Kusper
Steve Gaskey, <i>Fellowship</i> Kim Gibson, <i>Stewardship</i> Carrie Paxton, <i>Christian Education</i>	LECTOR
CLASS OF 2018	Jean Brown
Sherry Childers, <i>Personnel</i> Dougie Kirkman, <i>Mission/Evangelism</i>	CHILDREN'S NURSERY (Worship only)
CLASS OF 2019	On Call: Linda VanPelt, Peggy Overcash, Rhonda Jones, Leslie Gibson
Connie Goodman, <i>Worship</i> Mark Gurley, <i>Property</i> Christel Josey, <i>Nurture</i>	CHILDREN'S WORSHIP
	Carrie Paxton Heather Goodman