

PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

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

April 15

Joys: Camila, Hartsell Family and Rodgers Family (Nurture)

Concerns: George & Barbara, Glenda, Ed

SERMON NOTES

THIS WEEK AT BPC

Sunday, April 22

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

Tuesday, April 24

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

Wednesday, April 25

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 26

8:00 PM – Softball Game at Bakers Creek

Saturday, April 28

10:00 AM – 1:00 PM – Community Health Fair at McGill Baptist Church

Sunday, April 29

8:45 AM – Coffee Fellowship in BPC Fellowship Hall
 9:00 AM – Sunday School
 9:55 AM – Casual Worship Service in BPC Fellowship Hall
 10:00 – 11:00 AM – LMCS Bible Study
 11:15 AM – Spring Fling Lunch in BPC Fellowship Hall
 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 30 – Friday May 4

Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner out of office

Tuesday, May 1

10:00 AM – Nurture Committee
 6:30 PM – Women’s Bible Study Group in Session Room
 7:00 PM – Softball Game at Bakers Creek

Wednesday, May 2

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, May 3

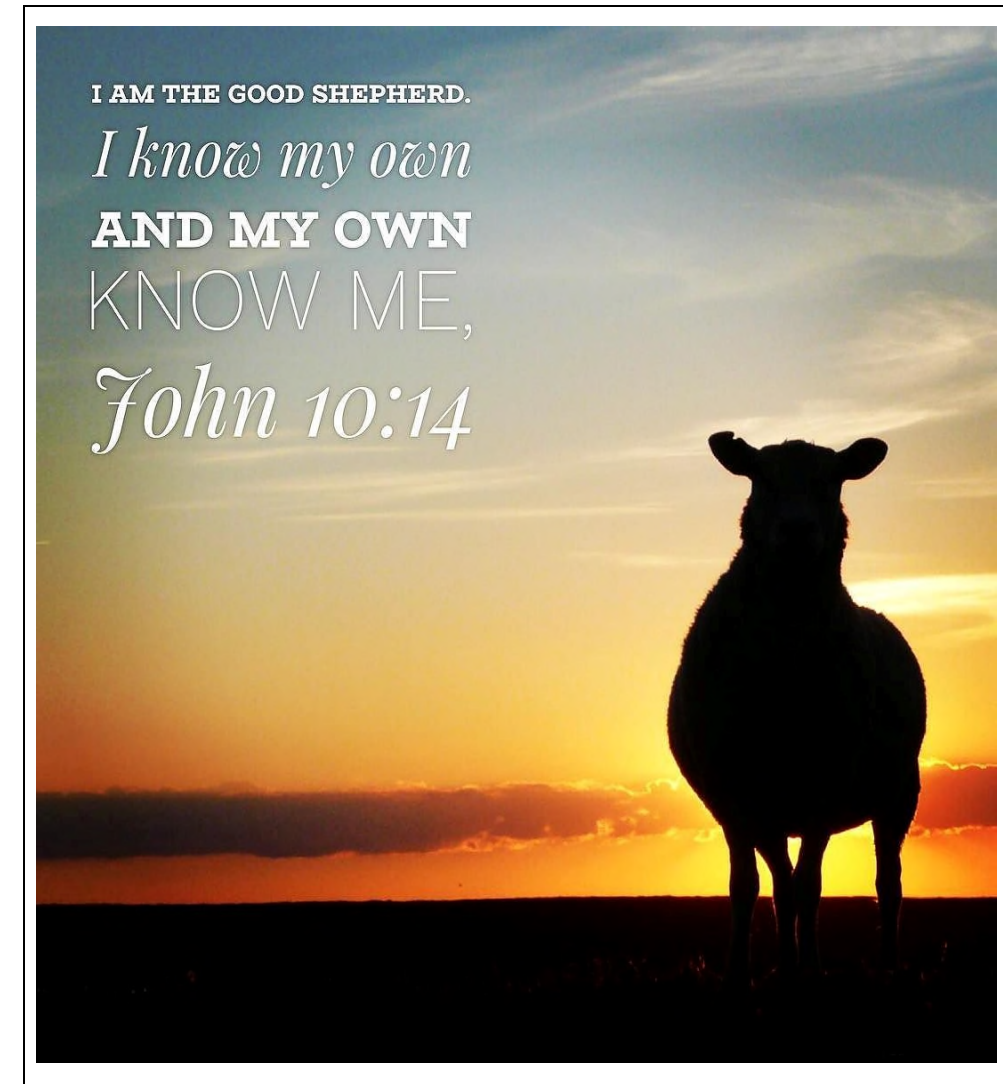
National Day of Prayer
 9:00 PM – Softball Game at Bakers Creek

Saturday, May 5

10:00 AM – 1:00 PM – Private Event in BPC Fellowship Hall

Sunday, May 6

10¢-A- Meal Offering to be received
 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



Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!

April 22, 2018

“A family of faith yesterday, today, and tomorrow.”



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DAILY LECTIONARY

Sunday, April 22	Monday, April 23	Tuesday, April 24	Wednesday, April 25	Thursday, April 26	Friday, April 27	Saturday, April 28
Morning: Psalms 93; 150 1 st Reading: Ex. 28:1-4, 30-38 2 nd Reading: 1 Jn 2:18-29 Gospel: Mark 6:30-44 Evening: Psalms 136; 117	Morning: Psalms 97; 145 1 st Reading: Ex. 32:1-20 2 nd Reading: Col. 3:18-4:6 (4:7-18) Gospel: Matthew 5:1-10 Evening: Psalms 124; 115	Morning: Psalms 98; 146 1 st Reading: Ex. 32:21-34 2 nd Reading: 1 Thess. 1:1-10 Gospel: Matthew 5:11-16 Evening: Psalms 66; 116	Morning: Ps. 99; 147:1-11 1 st Reading: Exodus 33:1-23 2 nd Reading: 1 Thess. 2:1-12 Gospel: Matthew 5:17-20 Evening: Psalms 9; 118	Morning: Ps. 47; 147:12-20 1 st Reading: Exodus 34:1-17 2 nd Reading: 1 Thess. 2:13-20 Gospel: Matthew 5:21-26 Evening: Psalms 68; 113	Morning: Psalms 96; 148 1 st Reading: Ex. 34:18-35 2 nd Reading: 1 Thess. 3:1-13 Gospel: Matthew 5:27-37 Evening: Psalms 49; 138	Morning: Psalms 92; 149 1 st Reading: Exodus 40:18-38 2 nd Reading: 1 Thess. 4:1-12 Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48 Evening: Psalms 23; 114

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!

The Service for the Lord's Day
Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 22, 2018

9:55 A.M.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE "Rondo" Henry Purcell

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PASSING OF THE PEACE

TRINITY CHIMES

SONGS OF PREPARATION

***HYMN 120** (v 5, 6) "Hail Thee, Festival Day!" SALVE FESTA DIES

***HYMN** (insert) "Majesty" Jack W. Hayford

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Minister: Shout with joy to the Lord! Worship the Lord with gladness.
Come before him, singing with joy! Know that the Lord is God!*

People: He made us, and we are his. We are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

*Minister: Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise.
Give thanks to him and bless his name.*

ALL: For the Lord is good. His unfailing love continues forever, and his faithfulness continues to each generation.

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

***HYMN 2113** "Lamb of God" SWEET LAMB OF GOD

(Please take a moment to discern the things in your life that you are looking to fill you, that are not of God.)

***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 Camila Weiss Bohl

ANTHEM "He Leadeth Me" Gilbert Martin

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Heather Kirkman

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 23 ([Bible](#), OT p. 501)

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE John 10:7-18 ([Bible](#), NT p. 103)

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "I am the Good Shepherd!" Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner

***HYMN 527** "Near to the Heart of God" MC AFEE

***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

Offertory "Reverie" Louis Vierne

*Doxology 592 OLD HUNDREDETH

**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** (insert) "The Compassion Hymn" Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty and Stuart Townend

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

***POSTLUDE** "Finale from an Organ Partita on Easter Hymn" William H. Bates

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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
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Connie Goodman, <i>Worship</i> Mark Gurley, <i>Property</i> Christel Josey, <i>Nurture</i>	Sherry Childers Al Smith
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