

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 2

Joys: Gary, Bethpage (Christel), Amy & Amanda (Amy), Jacob
Concerns: Wayne (Christel), Ronnie, Family of Greg (Jean), Greyson (Heather), Barbara (Nurture), Derek (Ed & Cheryl), Mary Elizabeth (Nurture), James (Diane)

SERMON NOTES

THIS WEEK AT BPC

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
 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
 7:00 PM – Softball Game at Safrut Park

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

LOOKING AHEAD

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

Tuesday, April 18

8:00 PM – Softball Game at Safrut Park

Wednesday, April 19

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

Thursday, April 20

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM – “Suds of Love” at Harris Laundromat
 6:00 – 9:00 PM – “Suds of Love” at Harris Laundromat
 9:00 PM – Softball Game at Baker’s Creek

Friday, April 21 – Saturday, April 22

Private event in BPC Sanctuary

Sunday, April 23

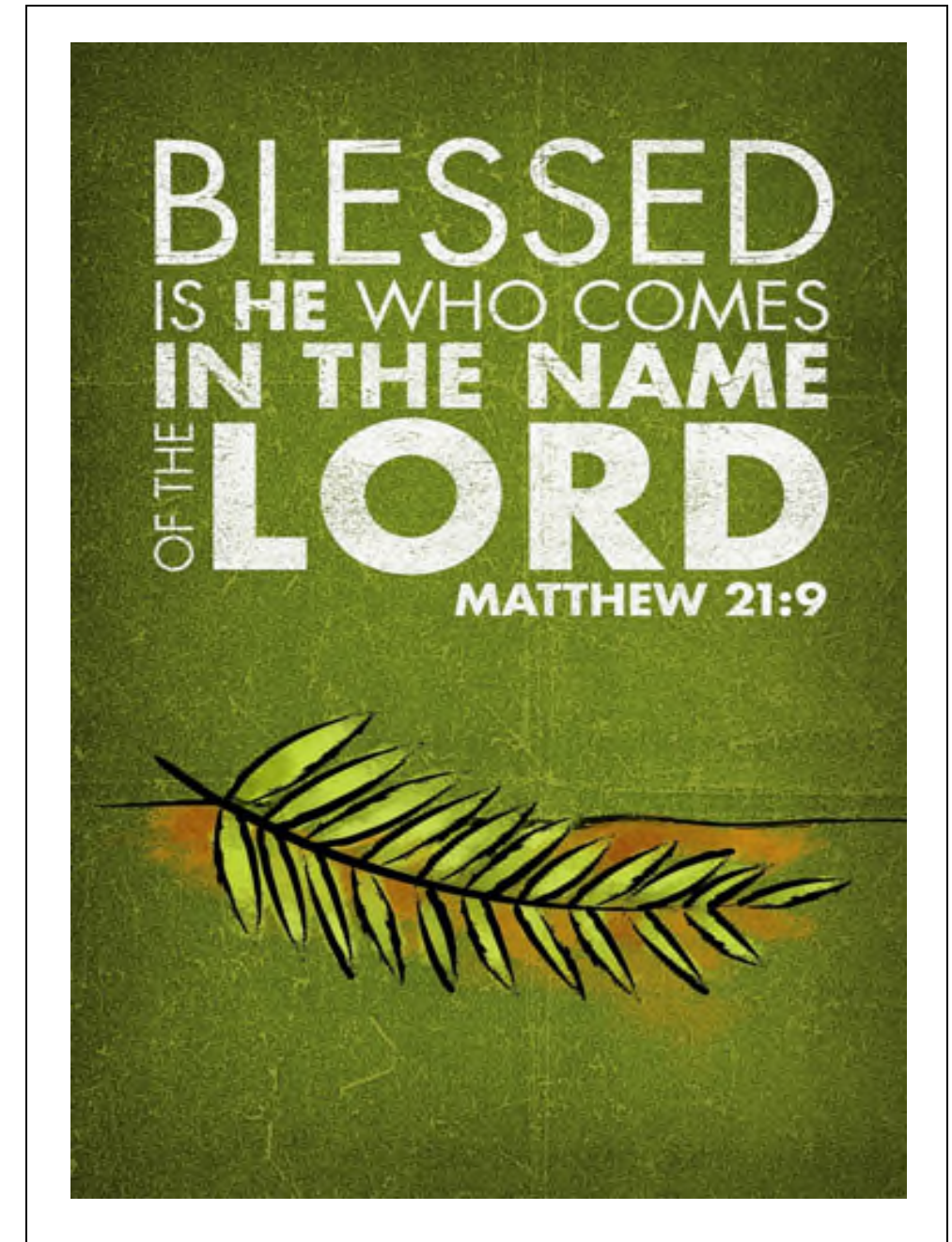
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Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!

April 9, 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 9	Monday, April 10	Tuesday, April 11	Wednesday, April 12	Thursday, April 13	Friday, April 14	Saturday, April 15
<i>Morning:</i> Psalms 84; 150 <i>1st Reading:</i> Zech. 9:9-12 <i>2nd Reading:</i> 1 Timothy 6:12-16 <i>Alt. 2nd Reading:</i> Zech. 12:9-11; 13:1, 7-9 <i>Gospel:</i> Mt. 21:12-17 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 42; 32	<i>Morning:</i> Psalms 119:73-80; 145 <i>1st Reading:</i> Jer. 11:18-20; 12:1-16 (17) <i>2nd Reading:</i> Phil. 3:1-14 <i>Gospel:</i> John 12:9-19 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 121; 6	<i>Morning:</i> Psalms 34; 146 <i>1st Reading:</i> Jer. 15:10-21 <i>2nd Reading:</i> Phil. 3:15-21 <i>Gospel:</i> John 12:20-26 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 25; 91	<i>Morning:</i> Psalms 5; 147:1-11 <i>1st Reading:</i> Jer. 17:5-10, 14-17 (18) <i>2nd Reading:</i> Phil. 4:1-13 <i>Gospel:</i> John 12:27-36 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 27; 51	<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 27; 147:12-20 <i>1st Reading:</i> Jer. 20:7-11 (12-13) 14-18 <i>2nd Reading:</i> 1 Cor. 10:14-17; 11:27-32 <i>Gospel:</i> John 17:1-11 (12-26) <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 126; 102	<i>Morning:</i> Psalms 22; 148 <i>1st Reading:</i> Gen. 22:1-14 <i>2nd Reading:</i> 1 Pet. 1:10-20 <i>Gospel - morning:</i> John 13:36-38 <i>or Gospel - evening:</i> John 19:38-42 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 105; 130	<i>Morning:</i> Psalms 43; 149 <i>1st Reading:</i> Job 19:21-27a <i>2nd Reading - morning:</i> Hebrews 4:1-16 <i>or 2nd Reading - evening:</i> Romans 8:1-11 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 31; 143

**The Service for the Lord's Day
Palm Sunday**

April 9, 2017

9:55 A.M.

THE GATHERING

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

WELCOME & PASSING OF THE PEACE

TRINITY CHIMES

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

God of all time, as we prepare to worship you today and this week, help us to call to mind these past events in Jesus' life so that we can sense their significance for our present lives and for the future you are preparing for all creation. In Jesus' name, Amen.

PRELUDE "Marche Religieuse" Leon Boellmann

****CALL TO WORSHIP*** Adapted from Psalm 118:26, NRSV
Minister: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Congregation: Hosanna in the highest!

ALL: Come let us lay down our branches and sing our hallelujahs as we come to worship our Lord, King, Priest, Prophet and yes, Savior forever!

****PROCESSIONAL HYMN 88*** "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"
VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

[The congregation is invited to follow the choir in the placing of the palms. An usher will assist you.]

Refrain
**All glory, laud, and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King!
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.**

**Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lords' name comest, the King and blessed One.**
Repeat Refrain

**The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went;
Our praise the prayers and anthems before Thee we present.**
Repeat Refrain

**To Thee, before Thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;
To Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.**
Repeat Refrain

**Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring.
Who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King!**
Repeat Refrain

****CALL TO CONFESSION***

****PRAYER OF CONFESSION*** by Rev. Grant Barkley

We confess that we are not so different from those who welcomed Christ into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday yet later shouted 'Crucify him!' or remained silent in the face of injustice. We have betrayed you too, Lord Jesus by our sins both secret and known. Yet you died for people like us, and you rose on the third day that we might be redeemed. For the sake of Jesus Christ do not hold our sins against us.

Jesus Christ, our King of glory, we have not been outspoken for you. We have not called for your death, but neither have we shouted of your greatness, nor expressed delight in the salvation you have won for us. Help us to see your glory, draw us closer to you that we may become more faithful, and more joyful servants of the King. 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

SPECIAL MUSIC

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Hannah Jackson

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 110:1-7 ([Bible](#), OT p. 562)
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 21:1-13 ([Bible](#), NT p. 23)
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SERMON "King and Priest!" Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner

****HYMN 89*** "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" ELLACOMBE

****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 from "The Seven Last Words of Christ" Theodore Dubois
*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 2108*** "O How He Loves You and Me" PATRICIA

****BLESSING AND CHARGE***

****POSTLUDE*** "Allegro Maestro from Water Music Suite" G.F. Handel

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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.

USHERS	CHILDREN'S NURSERY (Worship only)
HEAD USHER Christel Josey USHERS Ed and Cheryl Kusper	Susan Smith Marty Paxton
LECTOR	CHILDREN'S WORSHIP
Hannah Jackson	No Children's Worship