

GO IN GOD'S NAME

HYMN #477

"Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim"
(verses 1 & 4, The Presbyterian Hymnal)

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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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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**Welcome to
Bethpage
Presbyterian Church!**

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

**May 12, 2024
10:00 AM**



GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

OPENING MUSIC

"Come Into God's Presence"
(sing two times)

CALL TO WORSHIP

It is a great day to be worshipping!

It is a special time in our week to gather together and praise our Creator!

We come to say yes to God.

We are not forced to respond to God's love in Jesus Christ – we come because we want to and it is good!

Let us then not hold back, but worship with our entire being!

HYMN #177

"In Christ Alone"
(verses 1, 3, & 4, Hymns of Grace)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most holy and most merciful God, in your presence we must face the sinfulness of our nature and the errors of our ways, intended and accidental. You alone know how often we have failed by wandering from your paths, wasting your gifts, and underestimating your love. Have mercy on us, O God, for we have broken your requirements for justice and overlooked opportunities for kindness. Humble us with your truth and raise us by your grace that we may more nearly be the people of Christ and the witnesses of your Spirit. Hear our silent confessions . . . *(Please take a moment for silent confession.)*

RESPONSE HYMN #322 *"Spirit of the Living God"*
(The Presbyterian Hymnal)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Jesus said, "I come that you might have life and have it abundantly." Let us receive this gift of grace. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

We will accept the new and abundant life and live as people who are set free from our sins. Amen.

RESPONSE OF PRAISE *"Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines on Me"*

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

ANTHEM *"Agnes Dei"*

OLD TESTAMENT READING (responsively) Psalm 95:1-7 (NRSV)

O come, let us sing to the LORD;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;

let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

For the LORD is a great God,

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land, which his hands have formed.

O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

RESPONSE HYMN *"Listen to the Word That God Has Spoken"*
(sing two times)

NEW TESTAMENT READING Philippians 2:12-16 (The Message)

TIME WITH CHILDREN

CHILDREN'S MUSICAL *"Let There Be Light"* directed by Katelyn Craddock

THE PEOPLE RESPOND

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

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.

GIVING GOD OUR OFFERING

Offertory *"A Mother's Prayer"*

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

Source of all goodness, power, and strength, we come with gifts in response to your love. You pour out your goodness; we bring you thanksgiving. You infuse us with power; we offer the fruits of our labor. You sustain us with strength; all that we do we dedicate to your glory. May our goal be to bring you blessing and honor. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER