

PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

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

May 6

Joys: Margaret (Nurture), Shirley (Nurture), Margaret & Griffin Family (Nurture), Ed (Betty), Barbara (Sherry)

Concerns: Karli & Christopher (Marsha), Margaret (Diane), Allison/Ryan (Betty), Terri (Nurture)

SERMON NOTES

THIS WEEK AT BPC

Sunday, May 13

Mother's Day
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

Monday, May 14

4:00 – 8:00 PM – BLOOD DRIVE in BPC Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM – Gathering Time
7:15 PM – Ministry Area Teams

Tuesday, May 15

7:00 PM – Communications Committee
9:00 PM – Softball Game at Bakers Creek

Wednesday, May 16

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

Thursday, May 17

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM – “Suds of Love” at Harris Laundromat
6:00 – 9:00 PM – “Suds of Love” at Harris Laundromat

Saturday, May 19

7:30 AM – 3:30 PM – Girl Scouts in BPC Fellowship Hall

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, May 20

PENTECOST SUNDAY
Pentecost Offering to be received
8:45 AM – Coffee Fellowship in BPC Fellowship Hall
9:00 AM – Sunday School
9:55 AM – Worship Service with Communion
10:00 – 11:00 AM – LMCS Bible Study
11:15 AM – Worship Committee
11:20 AM – 1:30 PM – LMCS Worship in Sanctuary
1:00 – 4:00 PM – LMCS in BPC Fellowship Hall & Pavilion

Monday, May 21

7:00 PM – Session Meeting

Tuesday, May 22

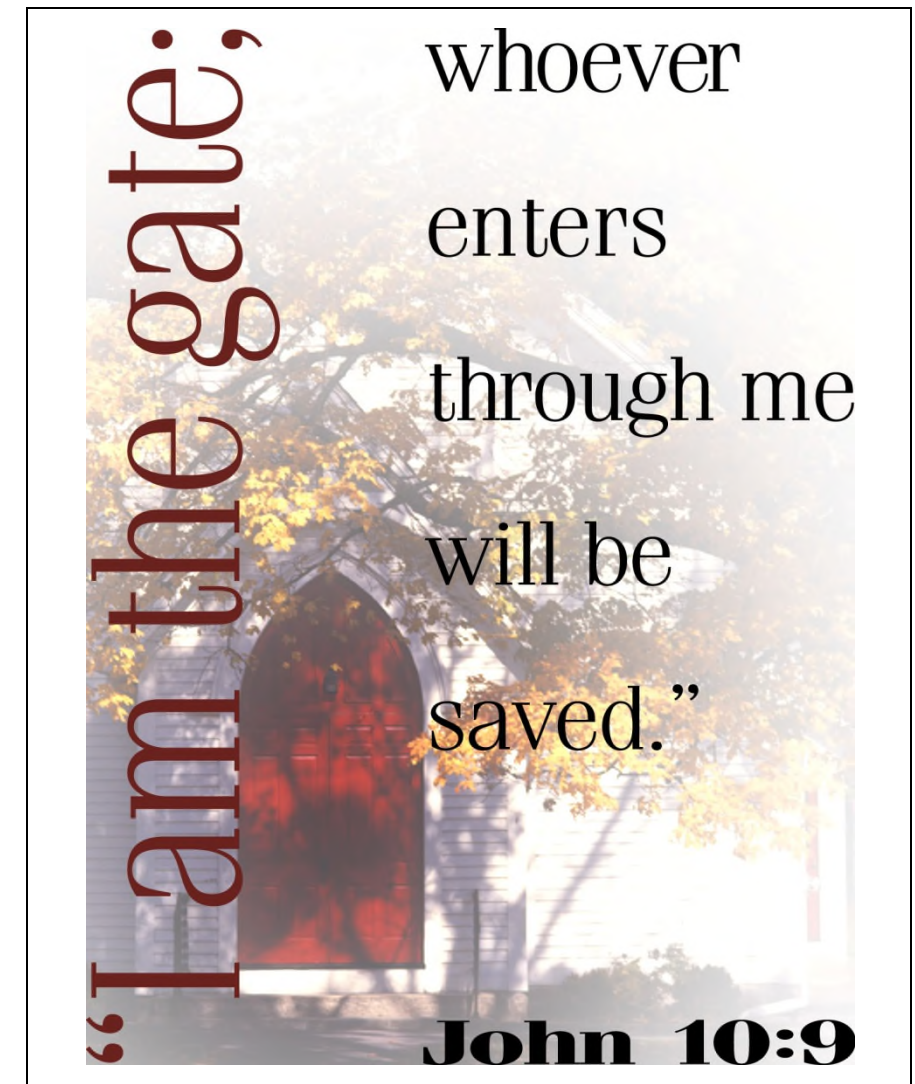
9:30 AM – 1:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, May 23

10:00 AM – Mary's Bible Study– Session Rm
3:00 PM – Staff Meeting
6:30 PM – Youth Choir
7:00 PM - Choir

Sunday, May 27

TRINITY SUNDAY
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!

May 13, 2018

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



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DAILY LECTIONARY

Sunday, May 13	Monday, May 14	Tuesday, May 15	Wednesday, May 16	Thursday, May 17	Friday, May 18	Saturday, May 19
Morning: Psalms 93; 150 1 st Read: Exodus 3:1-12 2 nd Read: Heb. 12:18-29 Gospel: Luke 10:17-24 Evening: Psalms 136; 117	Morning: Psalms 97; 145 1 st Read: Joshua 1:1-9 2 nd Read: Eph. 3:1-13 Gospel: Matthew 8:5-17 Evening: Psalms 124; 115	Morning: Psalms 98; 146 1 st Read: 1 Sam. 16:1-13a 2 nd Read: Eph. 3:14-21 Gospel: Matthew 8:18-27 Evening: Psalms 66; 116	Morning: Ps. 99; 147:1-11 1 st Read: Isaiah 4:2-6 2 nd Read: Ephesians 4:1-16 Gospel: Matthew 8:28-34 Evening: Psalms 9; 118	Morning: Ps. 47; 147:12-20 1 st Read: Zechariah 4:1-14 2 nd Read: Ephesians 4:17-32 Gospel: Matthew 9:1-8 Evening: Psalms 68; 113	Morning: Psalms 96; 148 1 st Read: Jer. 31:27-34 2 nd Read: Eph. 5:1-32 Gospel: Matthew 9:9-17 Evening: Psalms 49; 138	Morning: Psalms 92; 149 1 st Read: Ezekiel 36:22-27 2 nd Read: Ephesians 6:1-24 Gospel: Matthew 9:18-26 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
Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 13, 2018

9:55 A.M.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE "Lyric Reverie" Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PASSING OF THE PEACE

TRINITY CHIMES

SONGS OF PREPARATION

***VIDEO** "A Mother's Prayer"
Keith and Kristyn Getty, Moya Brennan

***HYMN 527** (vv 1-2) "Near to the Heart of God" MC AFEE

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Adapted from Psalm 118

Minister: Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter, and give thanks to the Lord.

People: We will give you thanks, for You have answered us; You have become our salvation.

Minister: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

People: This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

Minister: This is the day that the Lord has made;

ALL: We will rejoice and be glad in it.

***HYMN 387** "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" BRADBURY

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Leader: God of wisdom, we confess the foolishness of our ways, and our failure to follow you in your paths of right relationships – with you and with others.

People: We have gone astray; we feel lost.

Leader: We have walked through gates that upheld our own interests first, to the detriment of others. We have failed to bring generosity to the poor, and have abandoned paths of righteousness for your names sake.

People: We feel the stains of our sins, God;

Leader: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love. Wash the sinfulness out of us, and leads us through the gates of faithfulness and mercy as your servants.

People: We seek your unfailing Lordship and ask for your guiding hand on our lives.

ALL: You are the immortal, invisible One; to you be honor and glory forever; amen. (Please, take a moment to confess your sins.)

***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 "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" J.S. Bach (Schirmer edition)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Jimmie Melton

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 118:17-24 (Bible, OT p. 565)

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

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

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SERMON "I am the Gate!" Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner

***HYMN** (insert, vv. 1, 3, 4) "Good Shepherd of My Soul"
Keith and Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend and Fionan de Barra

***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 "Sheep May Safely Graze" 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 540** "God Be with you Till We Meet Again" RANDOPLH

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

***POSTLUDE** "Fugue in D Minor" J.S. Bach

Congregational Meeting [Members please remain seated. Visitors may leave at this time.]

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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>	HEAD USHER Madison Scarborough
CLASS OF 2018	USHERS: Steve & Sandy Gaskey
Sherry Childers, <i>Personnel</i> Dougie Kirkman, <i>Mission/Evangelism</i> Brandi Lackey, <i>Christian Education</i>	LECTOR Jimmie Melton
CLASS OF 2019	CHILDREN'S NURSERY (Worship only) Marty Paxton Dougie Kirkman
Connie Goodman, <i>Worship</i> Mark Gurley, <i>Property</i> Christel Josey, <i>Nurture</i>	CHILDREN'S WORSHIP Sandra Cox Robin Barham
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