

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 21

Joys: Tessa (Chris)

Concerns: Storch family (Jean), Ronnie and family (Ronnie), Tom & Margaret (Nurture)

SERMON NOTES

THIS WEEK AT BPC

Sunday, May 28

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 Fellowship Hall & Pavilion

Monday, May 29

Memorial Day – Church office closed

Tuesday, May 30

7:00 PM – Softball Game at Safrit Park

Wednesday, May 31

10:00 AM – Mary’s Bible Study - Session Rm
 6:30 PM – Choir

Sunday, June 4

PENTECOST SUNDAY
 Pentecost Offering to be received
 10¢-A-Meal Offering to be received
 8:00 AM – KAPM Breakfast Meeting at Second PC, Kannapolis
 8:45 – 9:00 AM – Coffee Fellowship in Fellowship Hall
 9:00 AM – Sunday School
 9:55 AM – Worship Service with Communion
 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
 6:00 PM – Young Adults Small Group at the Paxtons

LOOKING AHEAD

Monday, June 5

2:00 PM – Nurture Committee

Tuesday, June 6

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall
 6:30 PM – Women’s Bible Study Group in the Session Room

Wednesday, June 7

10:00 AM – Mary’s Bible Study - Session Rm
 6:30 PM – Choir

Thursday, June 8

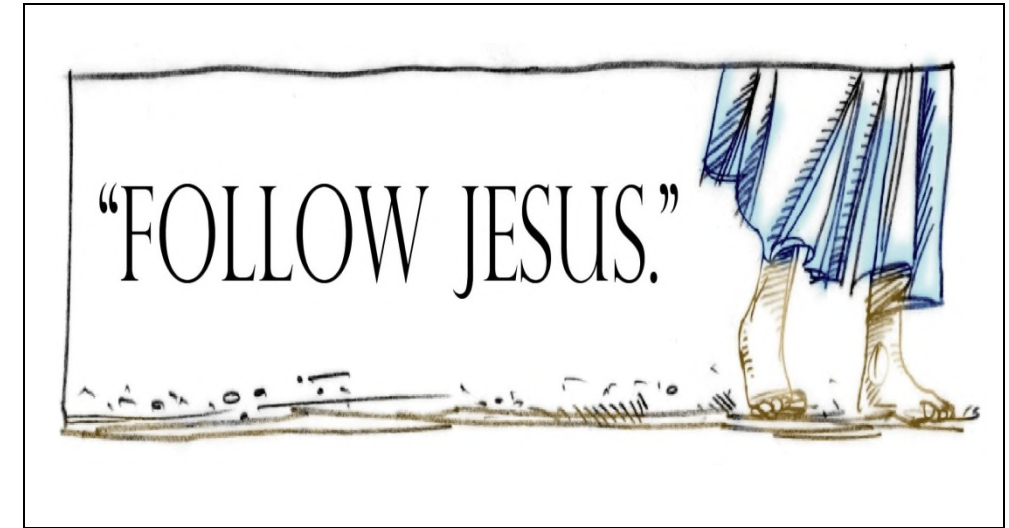
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM – CCM Mobile Food Pantry at BPC

Saturday, June 10

9:00 AM – Playground Mulch Day

Sunday, June 11

TRINITY SUNDAY
 8:45 – 9:00 AM – Coffee Fellowship in Fellowship Hall
 9:00 AM – Sunday School
 9:55 AM – Worship Service followed by Congregational Meeting
 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 28, 2017

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



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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, May 28	Monday, May 29	Tuesday, May 30	Wednesday, May 31	Thursday, June 1	Friday, June 2	Saturday, June 3
Morning: Psalms 93; 150 1 st Reading: Ezek. 3:16-27 2 nd Reading: Eph. 2:1-10 Gospel: Matthew 10:24-33, 40-42 Evening: Psalms 136; 117	Morning: Psalms 97; 145 1 st Reading: Ezek. 4:1-17 2 nd Reading: Heb. 6:1-12 Gospel: Luke 9:51-62 Evening: Psalms 124; 115	Morning: Psalms 98; 146 1 st Reading: Ezekiel 7:10-15, 23b-27 2 nd Reading: Heb. 6:13-20 Gospel: Luke 10:1-17 Evening: Psalms 66; 116	Morning: Ps. 99; 147:1-11 1 st Reading: Ezekiel 11:14-25 2 nd Reading: Hebrews 7:1-17 Gospel: Luke 10:17-24 Evening: Psalms 9; 118	Morning: Ps. 47; 147:12-20 1 st Reading: Ezekiel 18:1-4, 19-32 2 nd Reading: Heb. 7:18-28 Gospel: Luke 10:25-37 Evening: Psalms 68; 113	Morning: Psalms 96; 148 1 st Reading: Ezekiel 34:17-31 2 nd Reading: Heb. 8:1-13 Gospel: Luke 10:38-42 Evening: Psalms 49; 138	Morning: Psalms 92; 149 1 st Reading: Ezekiel 43:1-12 2 nd Reading: Hebrews 9:1-14 Gospel: Luke 11:14-23 Evening: Psalms 23; 114

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

May 28, 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 victory over death, your Son revealed himself again and again, and convinced his followers of his glorious resurrection. Grant that we may show his risen presence in loving obedience; offering our lives to him, wherever he may send us to care for the lambs of his flock. As we worship this day, revive our hearts for the task yet unfinished and ahead of us. May we join the hosts of heaven in worshiping you and praising him who is worthy of blessing and honor, glory and power, forever and ever. Amen.

PRELUDE "Gymnopédie" Erik Satie

***CALL TO WORSHIP** by Rev. Bruce Prewer

Minister: *Let us start this service well, by reminding ourselves: That it is not we who chose Christ,*

People: **but Christ who chose us,**

Minister: *That we are not here because of our goodness*

People: **but because of Christ's grace,**

Minister: *That we are not here to enlighten ourselves,*

People: **but to allow Christ to enlighten us,**

Minister: *That we have not come to be entertained*

People: **but to worship God with heart, soul, mind and strength.**

***HYMN 469** "Morning Has Broken" BUNESSAN

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of Grace, we bring to you our ingratitude for all that you have done for us, our impatience when prayers seem to be ignored, our selfishness when prompted to give or share, our unfaithfulness when wandering from your way. We ask for your forgiveness, through Jesus Christ who gave all, that we might learn to do likewise. 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 "Deep River" Negro Spiritual

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Margaret Griffin

NEW TESTAMENT READING John 21:20-25 (Bible, NT p. 116)
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "It Is Not My Call" Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner

***HYMN** (insert) "In Christ Alone" Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

***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
*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 526** "For All the Saints" SINE NOMINE

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

***POSTLUDE** "Chopin Polonaise Opus 40 in A Major" Frédéric Chopin

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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 Linda VanPelt USHERS Steve Gaskey Margaret Griffin
CLASS OF 2017	LECTOR
Steve Gaskey, <i>Fellowship</i> Kim Gibson, <i>Stewardship</i> Carrie Paxton, <i>Christian Education</i>	Margaret Griffin
CLASS OF 2018	CHILDREN'S NURSERY (Worship only)
Sherry Childers, <i>Personnel</i> Dougie Kirkman, <i>Mission/Evangelism</i>	On Call: Judy Petrea, Leigh Ann Allen, Sherry Childers, Jacob Smith, Dougie Kirkman
CLASS OF 2019	CHILDREN'S WORSHIP
Connie Goodman, <i>Worship</i> Mark Gurley, <i>Property</i> Christel Josey, <i>Nurture</i>	Carrie Paxton Heather Goodman